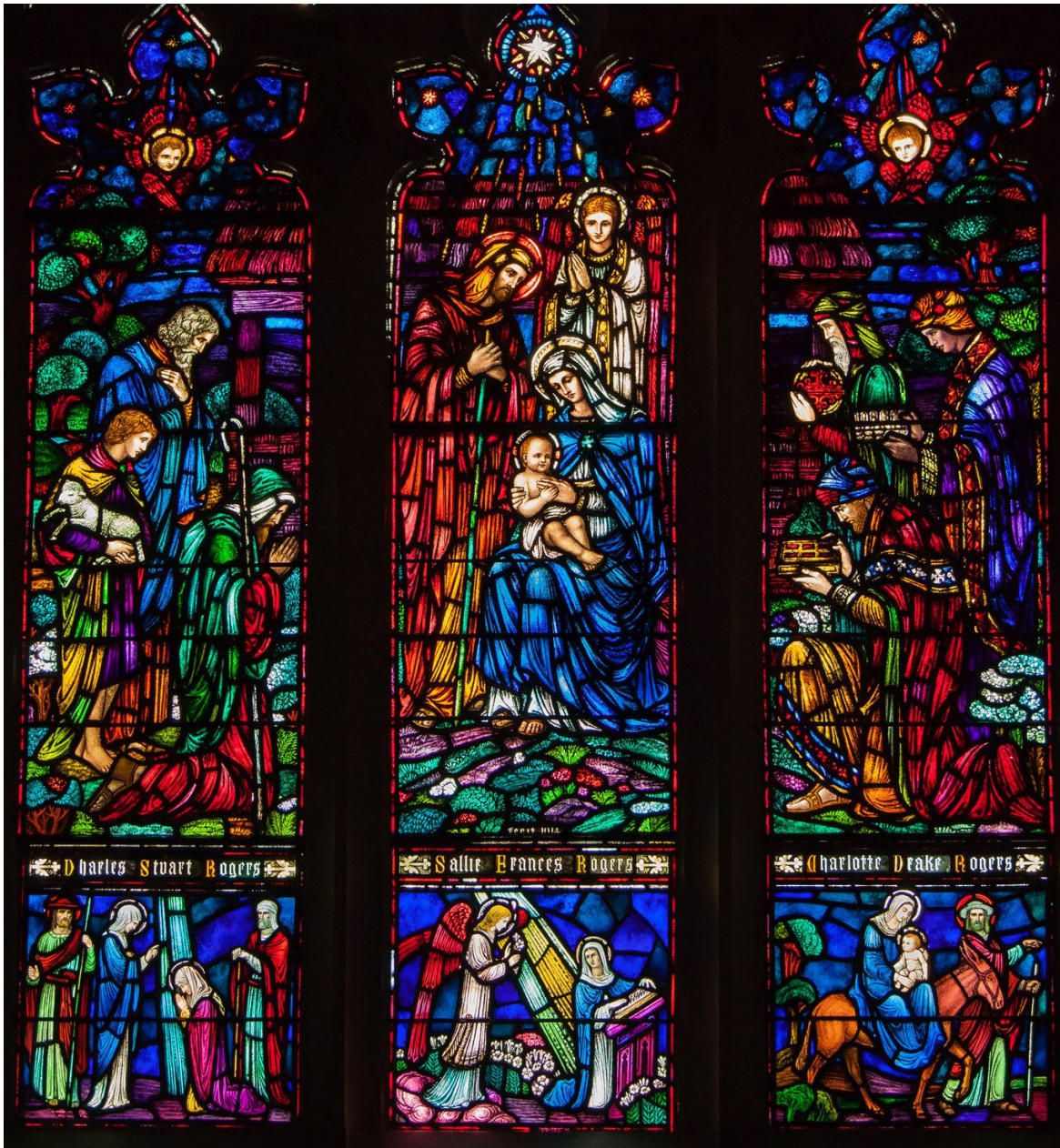


THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS
THE SERVICE OF LIGHTS

Christmas Eve | December 24, 2020 7:30 and 10 p.m.

Prelude: *Ding Dong Merrily on High*

English Carol

Welcome

Opening Hymn: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*
Tim Bruett, Soloist

Adeste Fideles

Prayer for Christmas Eve

Anthem: *Myn Liking*

R.R. Terry

I saw a fair mayden sytten and sing.
She lulled a lyttel childe, a swete Lording.

Refrain:

Lullay myn lyking, my dere sonne, my sweetling.
Lullay my dere herte, myn own dere derling.

That same Lord is he that made alle thing;
Of alle lordis he is Lord, of alle kynges Kyng.

There was mickle melody at that chylde's birth.
All that were in heuently blisse they made mickle mirth.

Aungels bright sang their song to that chylde,
Blyssid be thou and so be sche so meke and so milde.

(15th century Carol, sung in modernized English)

Lesson 1: Genesis 1:1-5

Carol: *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming*

Lesson 2: Isaiah 9:2-7

Carol: *What Child is This*

Lesson 3: Luke 2:1-7

Anthem: *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Gustav Holst, arr. Aaron David Miller

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan;
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter
Long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain,
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty —
Jesus Christ.

Angels and Archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air;
But only His Mother
In her maiden bliss
Worshipped the Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am? —
If I were a Shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man
I would do my part, —
Yet what I can I give Him, —
Give my heart.

(Christina Rossetti, 1830-1894)

Lesson 4: Luke 2:8-20

Carol: *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Lesson 5: John 1:1-14

Anthem: *Bogoróditse Djévo*

Arvo Pärt

Bogoroditse Devo, raduisya,
Blagodatnaya Mariye, Gospod s Toboyu.
Blagoslovenna Ty v zhenakh,
i blagosloven plod chreva Tvoyego,
yako Spasa rodila esi dush nashikh.

*Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos,
Mary full of grace, the Lord is with Thee.
Blessed art Thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb,
for Thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.*

Christmas Homily: *The Scales of Rejoicing*

Lynn Barger Elliott

Solo: *Away in a Manger*
Tim Bruett, Soloist

American Carol

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- **Text Giving.** Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift.
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Carol: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Service of Lights

Hymn: *Silent Night, Holy Night* (See text below.)
Hannah Armstrong, Soloist

(During introduction to the hymn, we invite you to light a candle in your own home)

Benediction

Postlude

Participants: Rev. Lynn Barger Elliott, Co-Pastor, Rev. Dr. Mark Barger Elliott, Co-Pastor;
Rev. Julia A. Carlson, Associate Pastor; Dr. Aaron David Miller, Organist; Dr. Matthew Culloton, Conductor

HOUSE OF HOPE MOTET CHOIR SECTION LEADERS

Sopranos: Hannah Armstrong, Melissa Holm-Johansen

Altos: Jessica Bandelin, Krista Costin

Tenors: Joel Fischer, David Lower

Basses: Timothy Bruett, Brad Runyan

Instrumentalists:

Rachel Brandwein, Harp

Sarah Carmack, Oboe

Silent Night, Holy Night

- 1. Silent night, Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
'round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**
- 2. Silent night, Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!"**
- 3. Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.**
- 4. Silent night, Holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.**