

Falkland Presbyterian Church
Christmas Eve
December 24, 2017

PRELUDE

Mr. Roy Lewis

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

People: For unto us is born this day in the city of David a savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Leader: And this shall be a sign for you.

People: You will find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.

Leader: And suddenly there was, with the angel, a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God.

People: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

All: Let all creation sing praises! O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CELEBRATION MUSIC

<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	<i>Page 23</i>
<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i>	<i>Page 41</i>
<i>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>	<i>Page 2</i>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of grace and love, we praise you this Holy Christmas time for the gift of Christ, born among us as the true light that enlightens the world and all of human kind. We humbly receive that gift once again, but we also confess that all too often we have not welcomed the light. Forgive us, we pray. Soften our

hardness of heart, open our closed minds, take away the darkness of doubt, replace our fear with faith and hope, and fill us with your peace. In the name of Jesus, the babe Bethlehem, the light and Savior of the world. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Scripture Readings: Luke 2: 1-20, Titus 3: 1-8

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

"Let There Be Light"

Choir

Sermon:

Dr. Rob Evans

"Christmas - When Your Heart Grows Three Sizes"

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF GIFTS TO GOD -by the People of God

*DOXOLOGY Page 592

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

*CLOSING MUSIC "*It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*" Page 38

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Congregation will stand if able.