



The angel said, "Don't be afraid!  
Look! I bring good news to you —  
wonderful, joyous news for all people.

*~ Luke 2:10*

## **Christmas Eve Service**

December 24, 2021 – Four O'clock p.m.

Highland Baptist Church – Louisville, Kentucky

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Invitation to Worship		Renee Purtlebaugh
Prelude	<i>Away in a Manger</i>	CRADLE SONG, arr. Malcolm Archer
The Lighting of the Advent Candles		Mary Alice Birdwhistell, Martha and Mark Birdwhistell
Carol (127) †	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i> Stanzas One and Three	MENDELSSOHN
Prayer of Expectancy		Lauren Jones Mayfield
Carol (111) †	<i>Away in a Manger</i>	CRADLE SONG
A Children's Story		Renee Purtlebaugh
Carol (107) †	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i> Stanzas One and Two	ST. LOUIS
The Gospel Lesson	Luke 2:1-7	Lauren Jones Mayfield
The Lighting of the Christ Candle		
Piano Offertory	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> <i>Silent Night</i> <i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	arr. Norman Dello Joio
The Gospel Lesson	Luke 2:8-14	Kathy Collier

Carol (125) †

GLORIA

*Angels We Have Heard on High*  
Stanzas One and Four

The Gospel Lesson

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Luke 2:15-20

Christmas Eve Meditation

The Passing of the Light of Christ

Carol †

STILLE NACHT

*Silent Night! Holy Night!*

**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.**

**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.**

Benediction

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Carol (102) †

ANTIOCH

*Joy to the World!*  
Stanzas One and Four

Organ Voluntary

Noel Rawsthorne

*On Christmas Night*

† *For those who are able, we invite you to stand.*

Following the service, there will be deacons at each exit to collect contributions to the church's Fellowship Fund, which helps those in need in our community.

Our Sunday, December 26, morning service will be available only as a livestream on Highland's Facebook and YouTube accounts at 10:00 a.m.

In-person worship resumes on Sunday, January 2, with 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Classes for all ages followed by worship at 11:15 a.m.



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