

(upbeat organ music) (crowd murmuring) (child crying) (gentle harp music) (crowd murmuring) (plodding organ music) (child crying) (plodding organ music)
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(child crying) (gentle harp music) (upbeat organ music)

- In the name of the Prince of Peace, I bid you welcome. I'm Will Willimon, minister to the university, and we're glad to have you. We thank all of those musicians and ushers and others who make this a truly community service. Welcome. Now let us prepare ourselves to worship God. ("O Come All Ye Faithful") ♪ O come all ye faithful ♪ Joyful and triumphant ♪ O come ye ♪ O come ye ♪ To Bethlehem ♪ Come and behold Him ♪ Born the King of angels ♪ O come let us adore Him ♪ O come let us adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ Christ the Lord ♪ Sing choirs of angels ♪ Sing in exultation ♪ Sing all ye citizens ♪ Of heaven above ♪ Glory to God ♪ All glory to the highest ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ Christ the Lord ♪ Sing how the shepherds ♪ Summoned to His cradle ♪ Leaving their flocks ♪ Draw nigh ♪ To gaze ♪ We too will thither ♪ Bend our joyful footsteps ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ Christ the Lord ♪ Child, for us sinners ♪ Poor and in the manger ♪ We would embrace Thee ♪ With love ♪ And awe ♪ Who would not love Thee ♪ Loving us so dearly ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ Christ the Lord ♪ Yea Lord we greet Thee ♪ Born this happy morning ♪ Jesus to Thee ♪ Be all glory given ♪ Word of the Father ♪ Now in flesh appearing ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ O come let us ♪ Adore Him ♪ Christ ♪ The Lord ♪ (minister clearing throat)

- Beloved in Christ. At this Christmastime, let it be our care and delight to hear again the message of the angels and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem to see this thing which has come to pass, and the babe lying in a manger. Therefore, let us read in Mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God, from the first days of our disobedience unto His glorious redemption brought us by His holy child. But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world, for peace on earth and goodwill among all His people. For unity and brotherhood within the church He came to build and especially in this, our diocese. And because this would rejoice His heart, let us remember in His name, the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry, and the oppressed, the sick and them that mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children. All those who know not the Lord Jesus or who love Him not, or who by sin have grieved His heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are one forevermore. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of Heaven in the words which Christ Himself hath taught us. Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed it be

thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory. Forever and ever. Amen. ♪ O holy night ♪ ♪ The stars are brightly shining ♪ ♪ It is the night ♪ ♪ Of the dear Savior's birth ♪ ♪ Long lay the world ♪ ♪ In sin and error pining ♪ ♪ Till he appeared ♪ ♪ And the soul felt its worth ♪ ♪ A thrill of hope ♪ ♪ The weary world rejoices ♪ ♪ For yonder breaks ♪ ♪ A new and glorious morn ♪ ♪ Fall ♪ ♪ On your knees ♪ ♪ O hear ♪ ♪ The angel voices ♪ ♪ O night ♪ ♪ Divine ♪ ♪ O night ♪ ♪ When Christ was born ♪ ♪ O night ♪ ♪ Divine ♪ ♪ O night ♪ ♪ O night divine ♪ (soft organ music) ♪ Led by the light ♪ ♪ Of faith serenely beaming ♪ ♪ With glowing hearts ♪ ♪ By His cradle we stand ♪ (soft organ music) ♪ So, led by light ♪ ♪ Of a star sweetly gleaming ♪ ♪ Here came the wise men ♪ ♪ From the Orient land ♪ ♪ The King of Kings ♪ ♪ Lay thus in lowly manger ♪ ♪ In all our trials ♪ ♪ Born to be our friend ♪ ♪ He ♪ ♪ Knows our need ♪ ♪ To our weakness ♪ ♪ No stranger ♪ ♪ Behold ♪