



Christmas Eve Worship

for Children & Families

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VILLAGE CHURCH

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Prelude

Helen Hofmeister, organ

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

The Gathering Band

Words of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka

Christmas Questions

Mary, Did You Know?

Luke 1:26-38 (pg. 931)

Rev. Maggie Johnson Phillips

Angels We Have Heard on High

Pastoral Prayer 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.**

Luke 2:6-12 (pg. 933)

Brooke Brundige

Away in a Manger

(All children invited to the front to sing.)

Matthew 1:18-23 (pg. 877)

Homily

Christmas Time is Here

Morning Stars Children's Choir

Invitation to Give

O Holy Night/Silent Night

(Please turn on your candles on as we begin singing "Silent Night".)

Benediction

Joy to the World

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishoka, senior pastor

Rev. Maggie Johnson Phillips, pastor for young adult ministry and worship arts

Brooke Brundige, director of children & family ministry

The Gathering Band: Becky Bliss, vocals and harmonium; Nathan Bliss, vocals, guitar, and banjo;

Pat Adams, drums; Ben Tervort, bass; Sascha Groschang, cello

Helen Hofmeister, music associate

Morning Stars Children's Choir and Jenny Hull, conductor

Bulletin cover art: Ella Messner, Village Youth, high school sophomore

WELCOME TO VILLAGE CHURCH

With joy I am so glad to welcome you to Christmas Eve worship here at Village Presbyterian Church! Whether this is your first time with us, or you are a long-time church member, this is a night for celebration.

We celebrate this night because in a miracle too grand for us to fully grasp, God chose to become human. The creator of the universe becoming a human being is incredible enough, but God chose not to come in a display of power riding on a white stallion appearing in the sky amidst beams of light. No. God chose to come to us in the dark of night in a small town in the form of an innocent, precious infant completely dependent on a young mother and father to care for and nurture him. What a remarkable thing! God in human flesh. That's what "Emmanuel" means. "God with us!"

I am so glad you are celebrating with us. It is my conviction that none of us can walk this journey of faith alone; we need one another. If you are looking for a place that loves greatly and seeks to share God's hope with the whole world, I would be glad to talk more with you about Village Church.

Grace and peace to you!



Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Senior Pastor

Village Church is a Presbyterian (USA) family of faith committed to thoughtful worship, Christian formation of children and adults, and caring for another, our community and the world. All are invited. All are included. All are loved.

We are one church worshipping each Sunday at two locations: Mission Campus in Prairie Village and Antioch Campus in Overland Park. Village Church also operates the Meneilly Center for Mission in Overland Park, which includes a Food Pantry & Clothes Closet and a Child & Family Development Center that serve the surrounding community.

Sunday Worship Services – If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us for Sunday worship. To learn more about what our services are like, and to find child care times, visit villagepres.org/worship.

At Mission Campus, traditional worship is at 9 and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The Gathering, a modern, imaginative worship service, takes place at 4 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Worship with us at our Antioch Campus in Overland Park at 10 a.m. Watch all services live at villagepres.org/online.

Upcoming Sermons – Dec. 28 - Rev. Zach Walker preaching (10 a.m. service only; Family Worship Sunday). Jan. 4 - Epiphany/Star Words (regular worship schedule and 9 a.m. Lighthouse Kids Sunday School), Rev. Maggie Johnson Phillips preaching.

Child care – We expect and delight in the noises of little ones. If your child is not as pleased with us as we are with them, child care is open and happy to help downstairs in Rooms 114 and 109 for infants through age 5. Worship art supplies are available in the Narthex for the restless. Dancing is encouraged. Worship however you need to today, and know God loves that you are here and we do, too.

Village U: Classes for Church and Community

– The spring semester of Village U will begin on Sunday, Jan. 11. Join us for classes aimed to strengthen mind, body, and spirit. To learn more and register for a class visit villagepres.org/village-u. Registration opens Sunday, Jan. 4.

Engagement – Looking to get involved with a small group? Interested in finding connection with others? Contact Carol Solenberger, director of engagement, to learn more about the variety of programs and opportunities offered at Village Church and how to become involved: carol.solenberger@villagepres.org.

Kids – Next week is Family Worship Sunday (no Lighthouse Sunday School). Our only service will be at 10 a.m. Sunday morning. Kids K-12 are invited to stay with us in worship. Child care will be available for infants and toddlers.

Music Ministry – Join us in making a difference through the arts! Whether you prefer working behind the scenes, singing, or playing in an ensemble, there's a place for you here. Please email Bonny Green, music ministry coordinator, at

bonny.green@villagepres.org or call 913-671-2344. Visit villagepres.org/music for more information.

Pastoral Care – Village Church makes caring for one another a priority. Pastoral Care is available in your time of crisis; a pastor is on call 24 hours a day for urgent needs. Call the main Village Church number: 913-262-4200. After business hours, calls are forwarded to a person with our answering service. Hospitals no longer let churches know about admissions or transfers, so please call to let us know.

Young Adult Ministry – All 20s and 30s in any life stage (single, parents, married, divorced, etc.) are invited to join us throughout the year for retreats, potlucks, fellowship and lots of laughs. Find out more and see our schedule at villagepres.org/young-adults.

Youth Ministry – All 7th-12th grade students are invited to come hang out with us throughout the year. Come to a youth group, a special event, or even on a trip with us! Find out more by visiting villagepres.org/youth.

New baby births – We want to meet your little one and give them a gift. Come by the Children's Ministry office or email kids-info@villagepres.org.

Prepare for baptism – Contact kids-info@villagepres.org for child baptisms and engagement@villagepres.org for adult baptisms.

Plan your wedding – weddings@villagepres.org

Add someone to the prayer list – pastoral-care@villagepres.org

Register for classes & events – villagepres.churchcenter.com/registrations

Interested in joining Village Church? – villagepres.org/membership

Find volunteer and service opportunities – villagepres.org/serve

Get Village Church news & updates – villagepres.org/news

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Giving – With grateful hearts, we thank you for the love and support you've shared this year. Your generosity helps us bring hope and comfort to so many.



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