



**KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE
December 24, 2018, 11:00 p.m.**

Welcome to Knox Church. We are delighted that you have come and wish you a Christmas blessed by a renewed sense of God's love for you in Christ. If you do not currently have a church home, please return. All who belong to any branch of the church are invited to come forward to the Lord's Table tonight.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Prelude

*Hymn: 166

Once in royal David's city

*Call to Worship (responsive)

Christ is born! **Give Him Glory!**

Christ has come down from heaven! **Receive Him!**

Christ is now on earth! **Exalt Him!**

O earth, sing to the Lord! **O you nations, praise Him in joy!**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Solo:

HEARING THE WORD

*Gospel Reading: John 1: 1-14

*Hymn: 165

O little town of Bethlehem

A Christmas Meditation

The Offering

Offertory Solo:

Presentation of Gifts

*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.*

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Hymn: 163 (verses 1, 2, & 3)

Of eternal love begotten

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of Bread and Communion [Please walk forward to The Table]

Post Communion Prayer

*Hymn 168

See amid the winter's snow

*Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

*You are invited to stand as you are able

Minister: Rev. Dr. Clyde Ervine

Organist: Ken Hutton

Greeter: Herb Holderney

Ushering Team: Wayne Holderney

COMMUNION INSERT

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

...we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people are invited to "proclaim the mystery of faith"

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever