

ORDER OF SERVICE 12/24/2022

Christmas Eve

with The Reverend Gordon Clay Bailey and Erin Mara

Prelude with Maggie Mooha

Welcoming Words with Erin Mara

Ringing of the Worship Bell

Chalice Lighting with Erin Mara, Melody, and Alana

Congregational Response:

"We light the chalice as a reminder that together we are a beacon in the desert. May its light lead the way to love, acceptance and justice as we strive for personal and societal transformation."

Opening Words/Invocation with The Reverend Gordon Clay Bailey

Land Acknowledgment with Erin Mara

*Opening Hymn/Song: Deck the Hall #235 STL

Reading #1: UK/Welsh/Irish with Lisa Bailey

*Hymn #2: Feliz Navidad

Reading #2: Mexico with Geoff Poole

*Hymn #3: Go Tell It On The Mountain # 239 STL

Reading #3: African American/Jamaican American

*Hymn #4: Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella #233 SLT

Reading #4: France with Nina Kuzniak

Offering and Invitations with Erin Mara

Congregational Response:

"With gratitude for the abundance in our own lives, we give for the life of this congregation and the benefit of the larger community."

Of Our Hearts with Erin Mara

*Pastoral Hymn: Spirit of Life #123 SLT

Prayer with The Reverend Gordon Clay Bailey

Sermonette with The Reverend Gordon Clay Bailey

Reading #6: Christmas in India with Erin Mara

*Hymn/Song: Joy To The World #245 SLT

Call to Action with Erin Mara

Reading #7: German with Mark Bergtholdt

*Closing Hymn/Song: Silent Night #251 STL Lights dimmed and candle light

Benediction with The Reverend Gordon Clay Bailey

Extinguish the Chalice with Melody and Alana

Congregational Response:

We release that which was called with love and gratitude, and we extinguish the flame, but not our commitment to being a beacon in the desert. This burns brightly until we gather again.

Closing ne with Erin Mara

Postlude with Maggie Mooha

Media for 2022-12-24 Service:

Feliz Navidad

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Prospero Ano y Felicidad.

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I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas

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From the bottom of my heart.

(and again from the beginning)