

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE \* 2024

**Interim Pastor:** David Donaldson     **Music Director:** Jan Thomas

### **Welcome:**

One candle left. We've celebrated, anticipated and contemplated this night over the past month: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.

One candle left. This night is honoured in song; either Silent Night or O Holy Night; we pray for both.

One candle left. The candle reminding us of the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

One candle left; we pause this evening to reflect, pray, sing, to celebrate Emmanuel, God with you and me.

### **Call to Worship:**

**LEADER:** Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ have come. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given: and his name shall be called:

**PEOPLE: Wonderful Counselor,**

**LEADER:** and his name shall be called,

**PEOPLE: Mighty God,**

**LEADER:** and his name shall be called,

**PEOPLE: Everlasting Father,**

**LEADER:** and his name shall be called,

**PEOPLE: Prince of Peace.**

**LEADER:** Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you, and his name shall be called:

**PEOPLE: Christ, the Lord!**

### **Carol – Mary's Boy Child**

#### **Responsive Prayer:**

**LEADER:** Emmanuel, God with us. Show us where you may be found today,

**PEOPLE: In each human birth, in family joy, in relentless tragedy, in treasured babes and homeless families.**

**LEADER:** Emmanuel, we rejoice that you are with us in everything, through everything,

**PEOPLE: Lord Christ, be born in us today, Word of God become flesh in us, that we might live your gospel.**

**LEADER:** Light of the world, shine in us and through us, for the sake of your world.

Loving God, help us to see your grace, hear your voice

**ALL: And follow in your way, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.**

### **Special Music - When a Child is Born – Mandarin Choir**

#### **Carol – Silent Night**

**Scripture:** Luke 2:1-7

Lighting of the Christ Candle

**Scripture:** Luke 2:8-20

#### **Special Music: Breath of Heaven – Jeany Laio**

**Reading** – Trouble at the Inn – Dave Thomas

#### **Carol – Huron Carol**

**Message:** David Donaldson

**Blessing:** Christ be with You

**Response: And also with you**

**Blessing:** Christ is with you!

**Response: And with us all!**

#### **Carol: O, Holy Night**

**Blessing and Benediction:** David Donaldson

*After the Service:*

Light Refreshments will be served at that back of the church

# *Merry Christmas*



# MIMICO BAPTIST CHURCH



Christmas Eve Service – 6:30, 2024

Interim Pastor David Donaldson and Pastor Linying Liu



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