

11:00 Service

With the first Candle we look at the HOPE and promise of the coming Messiah.

READ Luke 1:26-35 and 38

As we light the second Candle, we remember that this small child is the Prince of PEACE

READ Luke 2:1-7

As we light the third Candle, we reflect on the JOY of the heavenly Chorus that proclaims Jesus is Lord and Savior.

READ Luke 2:8-20

With the fourth candle, we reflect upon the LOVE we have for our God – just like the three wise men had love for God – They were constantly looking for him – Wanting to find him – and love him so much that they would kneel before an infant child of God.

READ Matthew 2:1-13

The center candle, the white one, is lit to represent Jesus. When we look at the center candle, we remember that God sent Jesus to give hope, peace, joy, and love to all people.

Let us pray. We find you on this night, O God, lying in a manger, the Word made flesh and dwelling among us. Come into our hearts.  
Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen

When we reflect on the love God has shown us, it can be hard to understand. Why would an all powerful God care? We don't really know. We can speculate, or guess – but we don't fully know.

We do get an idea of what God is like through Jesus' life. During his life he has given us so much – it is only right that we celebrate his birthday as we are doing tonight.

One of the most wonderful gifts Jesus gave us was a way to draw a little closer to him – as we come into a community of believers together through Holy Communion.

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