

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night!

All is calm, all is bright,

Round yon virgin mother and child! Holy infant so tender and mild.

Sleep in heavenly peace,

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Silent night, holy night!

Shepherds quake at the sight,

Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;

Christ the Savior is born,

Christ the Savior is born."

Silent night, holy night!

Son of God, love's pure light

Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,

Jesus, Lord at Thy birth,

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Silent night, holy night!

Wondrous star, lend thy light;

With the angels let us sing,

Alleluia to our King;

Christ the Savior is born,

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Christmas Eve Worship

Our congregations welcome you to worship with us on this holy night of Christmas. As we rejoice in the arrival of God's love into our world, we wish the very best blessings of the season to you those whom you hold dear, on this night and in the days to come.

– The Woodland and Paw Creek Presbyterian Churches

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church • Elliott Hipp, Pastor and Mark Burluson, Church Musician
Woodland Presbyterian Church • Woodland Choir and Kevin Homesley, Director of Music



PAW CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **WOODLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

December 24, 2023
Christmas Eve

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The Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

December 24, 2023

Eight O'clock

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude "Little Drummer Boy" Kenny G.

Call to Worship

And the angel said unto them:

"Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

Lighting of the Christ Candle

***Hymn 133** "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Invocation (in unison)

Good and gracious God, on this holy night you gave us your Son. Lord of the universe, he was wrapped in swaddling clothes. Savior of all, he was lying in a manger. On this holy night, draw us into the mystery of your love. Join our voices with the heavenly host, that we may sing your glory on high. Give us a place with the shepherds, that we may find the one for whom we have waited, even Jesus Christ, our Messiah and Lord. Amen.

Woodland Presbyterian Church Choir

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament Reading— Isaiah 9 (Responsive)

Leader: The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light:

Congregation: **they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.**

Leader: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given;

Congregation: **and the government shall be upon his shoulder:**

Leader: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor,

Congregation: **The mighty God,**

Leader: The everlasting Father,

Congregation: **The Prince of Peace.**

Epistle Reading—Hebrews 1: 1-4

Woodland Presbyterian Church Choir

The Christmas Gospel—Luke 2: 1-20

***Hymn 121** "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Christmas Meditation

Christmas Solo "O Holy Night" arr. Jim Brickman

Christmas Prayer of Adoration (in unison)

Glory to you, almighty God, for you sent your only-begotten Son, that we might have new life.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for you became flesh and dwelt among us that we might become your people.

Glory to you, Holy Spirit, for you direct and rule our lives.

Glory to you, almighty God, and to your Son, Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Lighting of the Christmas Candles

***Hymn 122** "Silent Night, Holy Night!"

*** Christmas Blessing**

*** Postlude** "Greensleeves" Kenny G

* Those who are able are invited to stand