Christmas Eve December 24, 2021 7:30 pm (Three purple candles and one pink candle are lit) One: Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Gathering Lord has risen upon you. For the darkness shall cover the earth, and thick All: Welcome darkness upon the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Amen. Children's Moment "Away in the Manger" No.217 (The Christ candle is lit) Pastor Sam and the Children Gigi Ippolito Special Music – Prelude Psalm 96 Scripture Reading No. 815 \*Call to Worship One: Let us go, in heart and mind, to see what has come to \*Hymn "Sing We Now of Christmas" No. 237 pass. Let us go with the shepherds. Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-20 (Jillian Fowler) All: Let us go and find the Savior! One: Let us go with the wise ones. Sermon Pastor Sam Let us go to find God's promise, born for us! All: One: Let us go with the poor and humble. Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Let us go to find our King, born in a lowly manger. No. 895 All: One: Let us go with all the world, with all the peoples of the nations. "Silent Night, Holy Night" \*Candle Lighting No. 239 Come, let us worship, come let us adore him. (Please hold candles upright in order to minimize dripping of **Christ the Lord!** All: wax. In lighting candles, always tip the unlit candle toward the flame. No. 234 \*Opening Hymn "O Come All Ye Faithful" We will immediately sing the Closing Hymn when the lights come up.) **Advent Candle Lighting** \*Closing Hymn "Joy to the World" No. 246 One: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; the one who follows me will not walk in darkness but have the light of life \*Benediction We light these candles as a sign of the coming light All: \*Postlude of Christ.

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great

them a light has shined

Those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on

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