

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.
Loving God... Changing Lives!*



**OAK GROVE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Dec. 24, 2021

Christmas Eve

10:00 pm

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Piano Solo

Welcome & Announcements

Bart Roush

Call to Worship and

Lighting of the Advent Wreath & Christ Candle

Jim & Mary Koon

Leader: People of God, when the angels appeared, the shepherds
were terrified.

People: We will not fear, for this is the night of Good News!

Leader: We celebrate the good news of a baby, born in a stable.

People: Tonight, we light a candle to mark his birth.

Leader: We hope in the one who has come, Jesus Christ.
(We light the candle of Hope)

We pray for God's peace to prevail. *(We light the candle of Peace)*

Our joy comes with God's servant. *(We light the candle of Joy)*

God's love never ends. *(We light the candle of Love)*

Born as one of us, Jesus became God's living Word of Hope,
Peace, Joy and Love. *(We light the Christ Candle)*

Do not be afraid! The Good News is here!

All: Glory to God in the Highest!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father* in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

**Other options include Creator or Mother*

Song of Preparation "Welcome to Our World"

CeCe Klueh

Meditation

Bart Roush

Sharing of the Light

(The pastors will give a light to the person sitting by the center aisle in each pew. The light should then be passed from person to person until everyone's candle is lit. When it is your turn to pass the light, please hold your lit candle upright while your neighbor's unlit candle is tipped to light. After the benediction, please extinguish candles carefully and return them to the boxes by the exits.)

We Go Forth in God's Name

Closing Song

"Silent Night, Holy Night!"

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(See back page, please sing quietly with your mask on)

Benediction

Bart Roush & Mary Koon

Postlude

An offering plate is available as people exit the sanctuary and please be mindful of distancing.

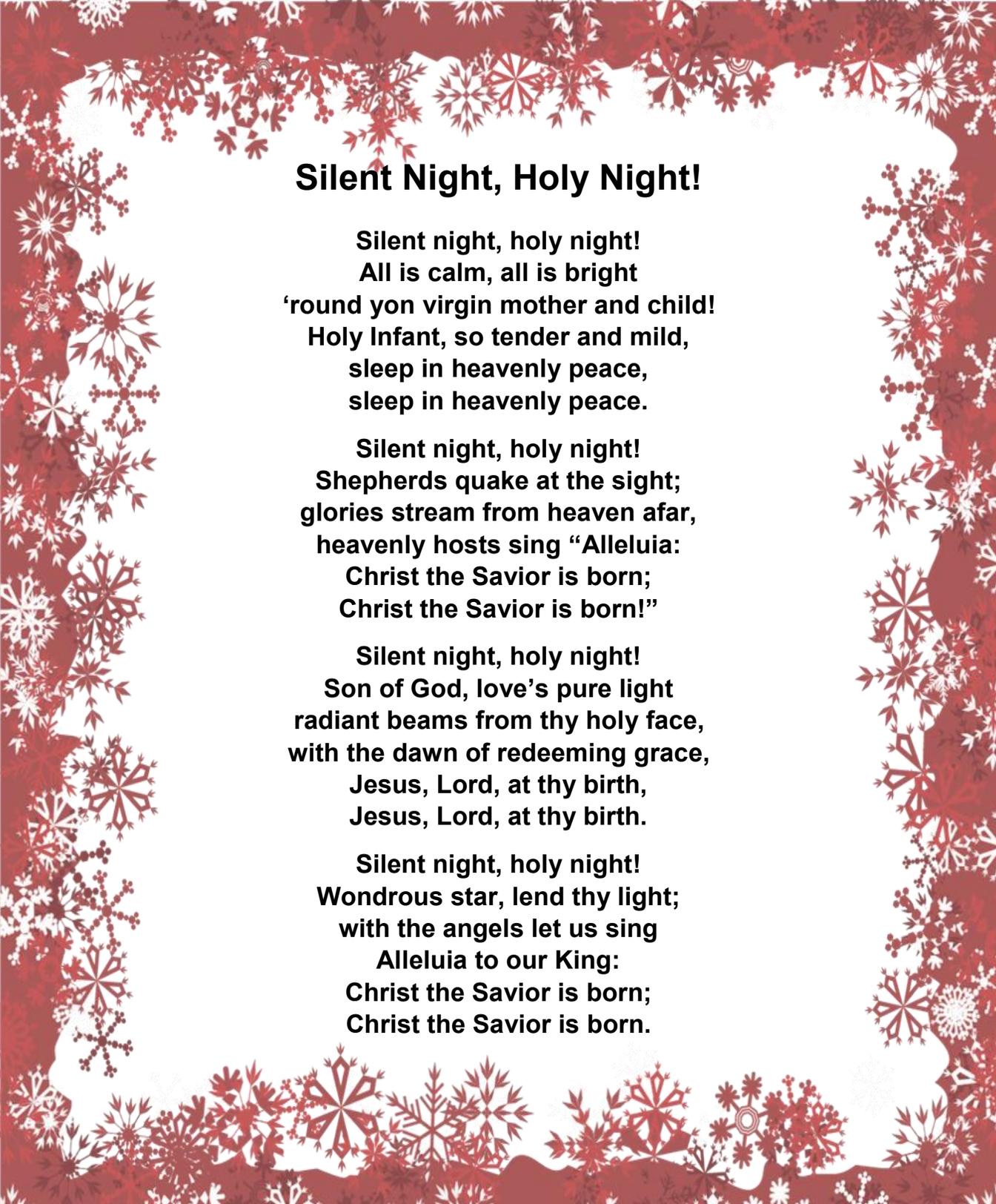
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Additional participants in worship today include:

Bell Choir: Linda Johnson, Carol Long, Jane Propsom & Nancy Scott;

Organist: Nancy Hauser | Pianist: Judy Cooper;

Sound, Light, Video: Greg Johnson & Bob Gerdes



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,
sleep in heavenly peace.**

**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,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.**

**Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King:
Christ the Savior is born;
Christ the Savior is born.**