

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,
heav'nly 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."

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*The mission of North Baltimore Mennonite Church is to share Christ's
reconciling love with our communities and the world.*



*December 24, 2011
Christmas Candlelight Service*

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Call to Worship Karen Vundla

Congregational Introit "O come, O come Immanuel" WB 116

Invocation

Leader: Light looked down
and saw darkness.

People: "I will go there," said Light.

Leader: Peace looked down
and saw war.

People: I will go there," said Peace.

Leader: Love looked down
and saw hatred.

People: "I will go there," said Love.

Leader: So the Lord of Light
the Prince of Peace
the King of Love
came down
and crept in
beside us.

--Cloth for the Cradle, Iona Community

"O come, all ye faithful" WB 212

First Reading - The Story: Luke 2:1-7 Lynn Chalfoun

"O little town of Bethlehem" WB 191

Second Reading – Revealing: Luke 2:8-20 Lynn Chalfoun

"It came upon a midnight clear" WB 195

Third Reading – Hope: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 Donald Vundla

"In the bleak midwinter" (insert)

Fourth Reading – Presence: John 1:43-46 Kathy Miller
Reading from *Cries of the Spirit* by Hildegard of Bingen

"Of the Father's love begotten" WB 104

Fifth Reading – Shining Barbara Diehl

Reading by Marianne Williamson
Luke 8:16-17

"What Child is this" WB 215

Sixth Reading – Still Dave Greiser

Reading from *It was on Fire when I Lay Down On It* by Robert Fulgham
John 1:1-5

"Angels we have heard on high" WB 197

"Joy to the world!" WB 318

Sharing the Light (people's response in bold)

On the Eve of Christmas Hatred will vanish
On the Eve of Christmas The earth will flourish
On the Eve of Christmas War will be gone
On the Eve of Christmas Love will be born

When we offer a glass of water to a thirsty person
it is Christmas.

When we clothe a naked person with a gown of love
it is Christmas.

When we wipe the tears from weeping eyes
it is Christmas.

When the spirit of revenge dies in me
it is Christmas.

When in my heart I no longer want to stay apart
it is Christmas.

When I am buried in the being of God
it is Christmas.

-- Shine On, Star of Bethlehem

Sabeel Liberation Theology Centre (Jerusalem)

Special Music "Go Light Your World" by Chris Rice Carla Clemens, Hana Clemens, and Kholiwe Vundla

Passing the Light

"Silent night, holy night" (on back) WB 193

Benediction Dave Greiser

Postlude