Order of Worship
December 20, 2020

Prelude The Holly and the Ivy
Rheatta Petty, Mary Combs, Sue Clark, Anita Van Melle, Karen Whiteaker - handbells; Julia Rich - piano

Greeting Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Call to Worship Cathy Wood

Advent Candle Lighting the Wood Family

Hymn O Little Town of Bethlehem – UMH 230
Jeff Jeffrey; GR Davis, piano

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth!

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given;
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Prayers of the People

Children's Sermon Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Scripture Reading Luke 1:26-45 Cathy Wood

Sermon Those Who Dream Are Not Alone Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Offering

Hymn Some Children See Him Julia Rich

Some children see him lily white, the baby Jesus born this night,
Some children see him lily white, with tresses soft and fair.
Some children see him bronzed and brown,
The Lord of heaven to earth come down;
Some children see him bronzed and brown, with dark and heavy hair.

Some children see him almond-eyed, this Savior whom we kneel beside,
Some children see him almond-eyed, with skin of yellow hue.
Some children see him dark as they, Sweet Mary's Son to whom we pray;
Some children see him dark as they, and ah! They love him, too!

The children in each different place will see the baby Jesus' face
Like theirs, but bright with heavenly grace, and filled with holy light.
O lay aside each earthly thing, and with thy heart as offering,
Come worship now the infant King. 'Tis love that's born tonight!

Holy Communion

Commission and Blessing

Postlude Angels We Have Heard on High David Wood