

# PROGRAM OF MUSIC

Christmas Lovefeast - December 22, 2024 - 5:00 p.m.

Chorales and Carols.....Home Church Band, Nola Knouse, director

Organ Prelude - *Trio on "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"* .....T. *In dulci jubilo*  
Johann Michael Bach (1648-1694)

Handbell Prelude - *Advent Adorations* .....Arr. by Erik Salzwedel  
Gregor BellChor

*Serving*

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light"  
from *Christmas Oratorio* .....J.S. Bach (1685-1750)  
Choir and Strings

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light and usher in the morning;  
Ye shepherds, shrink not with affright, but hear the angel's warning.  
This child, now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be,  
The power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

*Partaking*

*There Is No Rose* .....Philip Stopford (2015)

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu. *Alleluia*. For in this  
rose contained was heaven and earth in little space. *Res miranda* [wondrous thing].  
By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons three. *Pares forma* [One  
in form]. The angels sungen the shepherds to: *Gloria in excelsis Deo* [Glory to  
God in the highest]. *Gaudeamus* [Let us rejoice]. Leave we all this worldly mirth  
and follow we this joyful birth. *Transeamus* [Let us cross over].

*Thou Child Divine* .....James Bates (1952-2014)

Thou Child Divine, Immanuel, welcome unto thy humble manger. With heartfelt  
joy thy birth we hail, and greet with songs the heavenly stranger. Our doubts and  
fears and sadness are turned to joy and gladness. Good will to men and peace on  
earth are now declared by a savior's birth. Hosanna! Blessed is he that comes in  
the name of the Lord!

*Offertory*

"Laudamus te" from *Mass in C Minor* (K427)...Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)  
Veronica Siebert, Mezzo Soprano, and Strings

We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you.

*Candle Anthem*

*Thou Child Divine*.....J.A.P. Schulz (1749-1800)  
Choir

(See text above)

Postlude - *Voluntary on "God Rest you Merry, Gentlemen"* .....T. *God Rest You Merry*  
John Rutter (1977)

*Morning Star* soloists: Charlotte McCrory, Elizabeth Carter, Palmer Stone, Claire Richardson  
*Thou Child Divine* soloists: Eve Salzwedel, soprano; Glenn Siebert, tenor

Instrumentalists:  
Vivian Mayers, Violin I      Brian Ford, Violin II      Laurence Brooke, Viola  
Lee Richey, Cello      Evan LaVack, Oboe

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## A Christmas Prayer

*Rejoice, for to you is born a Savior who is Christ the Lord! We join in prayer for the indwelling of the Spirit of Christ as we offer God our worship in this holy season. May the peace of the Lord abide with us all.*

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Virginia Hege Tobiassen, *Pastor*  
Craig Atwood, *Associate Pastor*  
Glenn Siebert, *Director of Music*      Jonathan Williams, *Organist*  
Erik Salzwedel, *Gregor BellChor Director*

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