

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

ORDER OF SERVICE

“Christmas Eve”

December 24, 2022

WELCOME

Lula Beatty, Worship Associate

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

PRELUDE *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* Arr. Lloyd Larson

David Chapman, Music Director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Ann Kadlecek

HYMN # 253 *O Come All Ye Faithful*

CHALICE LIGHTING By Denise D. Tracy (adapted)

We light this chalice
that the hearth fire of our hearts may be rekindled,
that our stories may be retold, and
that we may celebrate life anew.

THE ANCIENT STORY PART 1 Luke 2:8-14

HYMN #231 *Angels We Have Heard on High*

OFFERING - *Except for donations earmarked as pledges, this evening's collection will be added to the Minister's Discretionary Fund, which is used to provide confidential, one-time financial assistance to people within (and sometimes beyond) the congregation*

OFFERTORY *Coventry Carol* Arr. Lloyd Larson

THE ANCIENT STORY PART 2 Luke 1:46-55

THE MESSAGE IN MODERN POETRY *Magnificat* by Lynn Ungar

HYMN #233 *Bring a Torch Jeannette, Isabella*

MINISTER'S REFLECTION

Rev. Ann Kadlecek

THE MESSAGE IN PRAYER

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

CLOSING HYMN #251 *Silent Night, Holy Night*

EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLES AND CHALICE IN SILENCE