

Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2019
Ellijay First United Methodist Church

The Welcome

* The Ritual of Friendship

* The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude..... *arr. by Douglas Wagner*
"O Christmas Night"

* The Hymn..... UMH No. 246
"Joy to the World"

* **The Lighting of the Christ Candle**
Leader: The time of waiting is over.
People: Tonight we celebrate Jesus' birth.
Leader: We remember that Jesus is the Light of the world.
People: And in that light, we find our hope.

The Evening Prayer..... Rev. Allan Tarr

* The Hymn..... UMH No. 238
"Angels We Have Heard on High"

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Music..... Guitar: Dan Worley
"Mary Did You Know?"

* **The Presentation and Doxology**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Anthem..... *by Joel Raney*
"The Midnight Clear"

The Reading of the Scripture..... New Testament
Luke 2:1-20
Pastor: This is the Word of God for you, the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

A Christmas Story..... Dr. Thom Shores

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

* **The Service of Candle Lighting**

The Carol..... UMH No. 239
"Silent Night, Holy Night"

* **The Benediction**

* *Congregation Standing (as able)*