

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship:  
Come, let us worship the One who loves!  
**Love is the greatest power of all.**  
Come, remember how love is received:  
**A perfect gift, laid in a trough.**  
We worship a God who will never give up,  
**May we learn to love, as we are loved**  
**Let us worship God!**

Lighting of the fourth candle  
**(Please see insert)**  
*(The candle of Love is lit)*

**Hymn # 141 – Good Christians, all rejoice**

Unison prayer of Confession:  
**I have failed the ones who love me,  
I have failed to love the rest,  
I have failed to look for beauty,  
I have failed to try my best.  
Oh, save me from my failures,  
Pour love into my heart!  
Have mercy, O my Saviour,  
I stop, so you can start.**

The Lord's Prayer  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy  
kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as  
we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power  
and the glory, forever, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**“Passing of the Peace” ~ a time for us to welcome each other**

**Hymn # 136 - The first nowell**

Children’s Time and Prayer

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Micah 6:6-8	<i>pp. 1391</i>
Psalms 80:1-7 <i>responsive</i>	<i>pp. 879</i>
Luke 2:1-7	<i>pp. 1524</i>
1 Corinthians 13	<i>pp. 1711</i>

**Hymn # 144 - ‘Twas in the moon of wintertime**

Sermon: “What the Stable really looked like”

Collection of Offering and Offertory Prayer of Dedication

**Doxology Hymn # 79**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Hymn # 557 – Shout for joy! The Lord has let us feast**

**The Apostles’ Creed #539**

Communion Service Liturgy #564

**Hymn #138 – While shepherds watched**

Benediction

Postlude