

**HYATTSTOWN CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

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December 24, 2022 ~ Christmas Eve 10AM service

Rev. Monica Banks – Pastor



\* = Please stand in body and/or spirit

**PRELUDE**

**OPENING PRAYER** Rev. Monica Banks

**LIGHTING ADVENT CANDLES and CHRIST CANDLE**

**HYMN:** O Little Town of Bethlehem #144 v1,2,5

**OPENING READING:** Psalm 96 Rev. Monica Banks

**ANTHEM:** "A Carol for the Baby"

Lessons And Carols

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 9: 2-7 Miranda Barrientos

**HYMN:** "Lo How a Rose" #160 v1,2

**EPISTLE READING:** Titus 2: 11-14 Beth Sweeney

**HYMN:** "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" #149 v1,2

**GOSPEL READING 1:** Luke 2: 1-7 Chris Moore

**HYMN:** "Away in a Manger" #147 v1,2

**GOSPEL READING 2:** Luke 2: 8-14 Hugh Howard

**HYMN:** "Hark the Herald Angles Sing" #150 v1,2,3

**GOSPEL READING 3:** Luke 2: 15-20 Gail Howard

**HYMN:** "Angles We Have Heard on High" #155: v 1,2,3

**MESSAGE:** "A Baby is born" Rev. Monica Banks

**ANTHEM:** "All Is Well"

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE AND PASTORAL PRAYER**

**HYMN:** "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" #163 v 1,2

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION:** Rev. Monica Banks

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** #389

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** Elder

**PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & THE CUP**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Unison*) Elder

*Our Father, which 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.*

Going Forth and Benediction

**HYMN:** "O Come All Ye Faithful" #148 v 1,2,4

**BENEDICTION** Rev. Monica Banks

**POSTLUDE**

----- Mission Statement -----

"Hyattstown Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is the little church with the big heart. We are an Open and Affirming welcoming group of individuals seeking to bring God's love and service to our broader community, meeting people where they are."

## CHRISTMAS EVE

Hope, peace, joy, and love. Four candles, four promises continually offered to us by God, and all of them manifest in this one we light tonight: the Christ candle. In Christ we find the hope of transformation, the peace that follows justice, the joy of self-fulfillment in community, and the love that encompasses us in all our diversity, empowering us to make our own unique contribution to this world. In Christ we find light and life, and the courage to be like him, answering his call and following in his footsteps.

[All candles are lit.]

**All: We rejoice in God's steadfast presence in our lives, and in God's unique presence in the life of Jesus of Nazareth – born of Mary, growing through childhood into an adult ministry, in all his life manifesting the peace, love, and justice of God; his voice undimmed by the centuries his call and his promise as clear to us as it was to his disciples so long ago. Come to us, Lord Jesus, Be born in us this night, in our hearts, our minds, our lives. May the light of your life be kindled in us, and lead us to the shining truth, of God with us, God for us, God in us. Amen.**