**Welcome to New Bethel Baptist Church**

*Christmas Eve, December 24, 2024*

**Prelude** Jaci Greig

**\*Gathering Songs** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #245*

*O Come All Ye Faithful #249*

**\*Call To Worship**  Kevin Stone

*One: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.*

**Many: A Light has dawned on those living in the land of the shadow of death.**

*One: For to us, a child is born, unto us a son is given.*

**Many: He is called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

*One: Today we remember that God came to be with us through Jesus the Christ.*

**All: Tonight we celebrate God’s choice to forever be present with us!**

**\*Invocation**  Pastor Dianna Cline

**Scripture Reading** Luke 2:1-8 Pastor Dianna Cline

**Lighting of First Candle**

**Hymns**  *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks #272*

**Scripture Reading** Luke 2:9-12 *Pastor Dianna Cline*

**Lighting of Second Candle**

**Hymn** *Angels From the Realms of Glory*

**Scripture Reading** Luke 2:13-15 Pastor Dianna Cline

**Lighting of Third Candle**

**Hymn** *Angels We Have Heard on High*  *#278*

**Scripture Reading**  Luke 2:16-18 *Pastor Dianna Cline*

**Lighting of the Fourth Candle**

**Hymn**  *Away in a Manger #278*

***Scripture Reading***Luke 2:19-20 *Pastor Dianna Cline*

*Lighting of the Christ Candle*

***Hymn*** *Go Tell It on the Mountain #258*

*Communion Pastor Dianna Cline & Deacons*

*Prayer Pastor Dianna Cline*

**\*Hymn** *Silent Night*

(As you pass the light, hold the lit candle upright and let the unlit candle tip to be lit)

Verse 1 Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright.

Round yon virgin mother and Child, Holy Infant so ten-der and mild,

Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Verse 2 Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight.

Glories stream from heaven afar; Heavenly host sing alleluia.

Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

Verse 4 Silent night, holy night, Song of God, love’s pure light

Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,

Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

**\*Benediction** Pastor Dianna Cline

**WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**We are blessed by your presence!**

**GUEST AND MEMBERS:** If you have questions or would like more information about New Bethel, please feel free to contact the church office. Thank you!

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