Community United Church of Christ
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An Open and Affirming Congregation • A Peace with Justice Church
December 26th, 2021 11:00 a.m.
The First Sunday after Christmas

PRELUDE  Go, Tell It on the Mountain,
Performed by Alaina DeBellevue

WELCOME and GATHERING WORDS  Phillip Bradbury,
Worship Leader

MEDITATION  In the Bleak Midwinter arr. Mark Hayes,
Performed by Alaina DeBellevue

CALL TO WORSHIP  Adapted from words by Thomas Weitzel
One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
One: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.
All: We have beheld Christ’s glory, glory as of the only Son from the Creator.
One: For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.
All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome us!

OPENING SONG  Good Christian Friends Rejoice, NCH #129

READING  “Christmas Eve” written by the Rev. Harriott Quin

SONG  Love Came Down at Christmas, NCH #165

READING  Colossians 3:12-17

SONG  Go Tell It on the Mountain, NCH #154

READING  The Journey of the Magi, T.S. Eliott

COMMUNAL SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORLD PEACE PRAYER  Adapted from the Upanishads
Oh God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Peace, peace, peace. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY  What Child Is This? arr. Vince Guaraldi
*OFFERTORY RESPONSE
We give you but your own, what – e’er the gift may be; All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.

LORD’S PRAYER
Our Loving God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Your kin-dom come, your 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG  God Be With You, NCH #809