## **Christmas Eve 2015 – Candlelight Service**

\*\*\*THANK YOU for joining us to celebrate the birth of our Savior!\*\*\*

**Opening Prayer** 

Scripture Reading ..... Luke 2:1-20

Hymn #193..... "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

Special Music...The Friels

Hymn #228 ..... "What Child Is This"

Hymn #223 ..... "THOU Didst Leave THY Throne"

Message: "No Room" (Luke 2:1-14)

Hymn #197 ....."It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

Hymn #219 ....."Silent Night"

### **Closing Prayer**

Welcome visitors! Please fill in a visitor's card and give it to Pastor John. May the Lord richly bless you.



CHRISTMAS IS JESUS' BIRTHDAY—After unwrapping all of his presents, a little boy was asked, "Did you get everything you wanted for Christmas?" He thought a moment and said, "No, but then, it's not my birthday." (*The Speaker's Quote Book*, Roy B. Zuck)

#### "No Room"

#### I. The Great *Decision* (Luke 2:1-7)

The innkeeper illustrates for us the world in which we live in having *no room* for the Savior.

**Isaiah 53:6** All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the **LORD** hath laid on **Him** the iniquity of us all.

#### II. The Great <u>Message</u> of Joy (Luke 2:8-14)

#### A. A message of Salvation (v. 11)

#### 1. Who we are—unrighteous and sinful

**<u>Romans 3:10</u>** As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

#### 2. Who HE is—Good and Merciful

<u>John 3:16</u> For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son [*Jesus*], that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

**Romans 5:8** But **God** commendeth [*proved*] **His** love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ** died for us.

#### **B.** A message of Peace (v. 14)

**<u>Romans 5:1</u>** Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with **God** through our **Lord Jesus Christ**:

**Romans 5:10** For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to **God** by the death of **His Son**, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by **His** life.

Q: Do you have "*peace with God*," knowing that your sins have been forgiving as you have placed your faith in Christ alone for salvation?

# Keep in mind that a gift is only enjoyed when it is received and opened. An unwrapped gift brings no joy.

**<u>Romans 10:9-10</u>** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the **Lord Jesus**, and shalt believe in thine heart that **God** hath raised **Him** from the dead, thou shalt be saved. **<u>10</u>** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

**Romans 10:13** For whosoever shall call upon the name of the **Lord** shall be saved.

What will you choose?