

# CASCO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE  
December 24, 2017  
4:00 p.m.

*Come Grow with Us!*                      *A Christ Centered Fellowship*  
**“A CARING COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS FOR ALL AGES”**

**“WE GATHER TO WORSHIP!”**  
*\*If you are able, please stand.*

**PRELUDE**    **Jerry Post, Organist**  
**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**GREETING AND NEWS OF THE LORD’S WORK**  
**Pastor Don Graham**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**    **“Psalm 96:1-6”**    **Liturgist: Bill Warren**

Liturgist: “O sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord all the earth!

**Laity: Sing to the Lord, bless God’s name;  
proclaim God’s salvation from day to day.**

Liturgist: Declare the Lord’s glory among the nations,  
the Lord’s marvelous works among all the peoples!

**Laity: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised,  
to be feared above all gods.**

Liturgist: For all the gods of all peoples are idols;  
but the Lord made the heavens.

**Laity: Honor and majesty are before the Lord  
in whose sanctuary are strength and beauty.”**

**INTROIT**                      **“Gloria in Excelsis Deo”**                      **Chancel Choir**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE (Don & Judy Graham)**  
**“Advent Song – Verses 1, 2, 3 & 4” (Please feel free to remain seated.)**

**INVOCATION**    **Pastor Don Graham**

**\*HYMN**                      **“Joy to the World”**                      **No. 246**

**ANTHEM**                      **“Fall on Your Knees”**                      **Chancel Choir**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND LOVE OFFERINGS**  
Offertory

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      **“Winter Snow”**                      **Solina Warren, Soloist**

**Christmas Doxology (to the tune of O Christmas Tree)**  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, in every generation.  
Praise God, all creatures here below, who gives to us salvation.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Let all creation praise the Lord with love and adoration.*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**“OUR MINISTRY OF CARING AND SHARING!”**

**FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER**

*(Please feel free to share your Joys and Concerns.)  
Pastoral Prayer, Personal Meditation*

***“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 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 and the power and glory forever. Amen!*

**\*HYMN**                      **“There’s a Song in the Air”**                      **No. 249**

**SCRIPTURE READING**    **“Luke 2:1-14”**                      **Liturgist: Bill Warren**

**SERMON READING**                      **“Luke 2:15-20”**                      **Pastor Don Graham**

**\*HYMN**                      **“Silent Night”**                      **No. 239**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**



*Wishing all a Blessed Merry Christmas!*

*We thank all our guests and visitors for being with us this evening and we invite all of you to feel free to join us at our regular worship services. Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. Children's church takes place during the service. Nursery is also provided.*

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**Casco United Methodist Church's  
Vision and Mission Statement-*"Building up the Kingdom of God... N.O.W.  
through Nurture, Outreach, and Witness!"***

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