



St Ives Uniting Church

24 December 2023

Christmas Eve

Service of Lessons and Carols

Call to worship and welcome

Carol: 316 O little town of Bethlehem

Bidding prayer

First Lesson: Isaiah 9: 2; 6-7

The prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour.

Lighting the Advent candles

Carol: 265 O come, O come, Immanuel (all verses)

Second Lesson: Isaiah 40:3-5

The glory of the Lord will be revealed.

Carol: 322 The North wind is tossing the leaves

Third Lesson: Isaiah 49:6-8b

Salvation will reach to the ends of the earth.

Carol: 313 Good Christians all rejoice

Fourth Lesson: Micah 5:2-4

The Messiah will be born in Bethlehem.

Carol: 307 Virgin Mary has a baby boy

Fifth Lesson: Luke 1: 26-35; 38

The angel Gabriel salutes the Virgin Mary.

Carol: 311 Silent Night

Sixth Lesson: Luke 2: 1; 3-7
Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

Carol: 301 The first nowell (Verses 1,2,3,6)

Seventh Lesson: Luke 2: 8-16
The shepherds go to the manger.

Carol: We three kings (5 verses)

Eighth Lesson: Matthew 2: 1-12
The magi are led by the star to Jesus.

Sermon: Christmas gifts.

Ninth Lesson: John 1:1-14
John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

Carol: 303 Hark the herald angels sing

Postlude Video: O Holy Night – in English, Hebrew and Arabic

Pianist: Deb Marshall

