



*Christmas Flowers*

**Gretchen Young** -- 8" poinsettia in memory of the McKenzie and Young Families

**Valerie Bandemer** -- 6" Christmas cactus in memory of Marshall and Shirley Smith

**Anne Greco** -- 8" poinsettia in memory of loved ones

**Mary Bailey** -- 4.5-inch poinsettia in memory of Russell Smith

4.5-inch poinsettia in memory of Robert Smith

6" Christmas cactus in honor of C. David Hess

**Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion** -- Two 4.5" poinsettias in memory of Rev. Dr. C. David Hess

**Joyce Shutts** -- 4" cyclamen in memory of loved ones

**Betty Heisig** -- 6" cyclamen and multiple poinsettias in a pot in memory of loved ones

**The Chase Family** -- Multiple poinsettias in a pot in memory of Howard and Cornelia Chase



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## West Henrietta Baptist Church

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**Christmas Eve, 2017**

**Rev. Dr. Peter E. Grinion, Pastor**

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Edo Frenkel, Choir Director

Wai Leong Ryan Chan, Organist

### Into God's Presence

Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion

### Advent reading and candle lighting

Sing "The Advent Candles" (v. 5)

Leanna Shirley and  
Mike Shirley

### Invocation & Call to Worship

(Read responsively)

Rev. Clara White

**Leader:** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**All: He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.**

**Leader:** In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

**All: He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.**

**Leader:** He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

**All: Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.**

**Leader:** The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

**All: We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

\* **Hymn 250** in blue hymnal "Once in Royal David's City"

### First Scripture reading

Isaiah 9:6-7

Joyce Shutts

### Choir Anthem

### Second Scripture reading

Luke 1:30-35

Sharon Scurlock

### Choir Anthem

### Intercessory Prayer

Rev. Clara White

### Third Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Patty Hoock

\* **Hymn 236** (blue hymnal) "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

### Homily "The Christ Child: Who is He?"

Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion

\* **Hymn 239** in blue hymnal "Silent Night, Holy Night"

### Benediction

### Postlude

*\* Sung standing if possible*