COMING UP AT CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

We’re glad you joined us for Christmas Eve worship. **WELCOME BACK TOMORROW MORNING** at 10:30 for something different. Members of the congregation submitted ideas for how to honor Jesus on his birthday. We’ll see what came of that contest. No Christian education hour – Sunday school and Adult Bible Fellowships resume January 8 at 9:00am.

And join us for **NEW YEAR’S EVE**
**Family-friendly entertainment at 9:00pm.** An hour or so with comedian/musician/ventriloquist Taylor Mason.
**Watch Night Communion Service at 11:00pm.** A century-old CCC tradition; we welcome the new year with worship.

PREACHING AND WORSHIP IN 2017
In January, Pastor Ken Langley begins a series of sermons on the first book of the Bible, Genesis 1-3: **“When All Else Fails, Read the Directions.”** The premise of the series is that the world’s a mess because we’ve ignored the Creator’s intentions. How do we get back on track?

On the first Sunday of every month we’ll focus on **“The Cross of Christ”** and honor him at the Lord’s Table.

“The purpose of Christ Community Church is to make known and to promote the worship of God in obedience to the Great Commission and the Great Commandments.”
Welcome to Christ Community Church
Christmas Eve 2016

This evening we meditate on WHY JESUS CAME in his own words.

Prelude

Welcome  Pastor Ken Langley

Hymn 249  “O Come All Ye Faithful”

Prayer

THE PROPHETS’ CANDLE
  Pastor  Why did he come? To fulfill the law and the prophets.
  Reader  Matthew 5:17

Hymn 251  “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear” (v1)

Hymn 250  “O Little Town of Bethlehem” (vs1)

THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE
  Pastor  Why did he come? To satisfy our hunger.
  Reader  John 6:33

Hymn 250  “O Little Town of Bethlehem” (vs2,3,4)

Solo  Sadie LaBelle, “Be Born in Me”

THE SHEPHERDS’ CANDLE
  Pastor  Why did he come? To preach good news to the poor.
  Reader  Luke 4:18

  Pastor  The first noel, the angels did say, was to certain poor shepherds.

  Anthem  “The First Noel” Choir

THE ANGELS’ CANDLE
  Pastor  Why did he come? To bring light and life.
  Reader  John 10:10

Hymn 277  “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing”

Dramatic Sketch  “Mistaken Identity”
  A troupe of jaded actors rest in their “dressing room” (an ice-skating warming house) between performances of the Christmas story. They’re not thrilled to be working Christmas Eve, but need the money.

THE CHRIST CANDLE
  Pastor  Why did he come? To save us all from sin.
  Reader  Luke 19:10

Meditation  Just Why Did He Come?

Song of Response  “Ring the Bells” (vs 1)

Candlelight Carols

TIP ONLY UNTIL CANDLES AS WE PASS THE LIGHT TO ONE ANOTHER

Postlude