

January 27, 2008

All human wisdom is summed up in two words—wait and hope.
—Alexandre Dumas Père

We worship God

Music for Meditation

*Be receptive to the Spirit of God as worship begins
with Music for Meditation*

Prelude and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

***Passing the Peace**

***Call to Worship:**

One: Waiting in our darkness,

All: slammed doors and stifled cries,

One: a phone that doesn't ring,

All: a child who hasn't returned home,

One: waiting in our darkness;

All: we remember your promise, and we are not alone.

A time of silent reflection

***Invocation**

***Gathering Song:** *Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit* #28

Children's Program: *"Cookin' Up Christmas
—Where Love is The Main Ingredient"*

Merry Christmas with Joy to the World

Cookin' Up Christmas

Are You Missing Christmas?

Offering

Gloria

We response to God's Word

"For this we rejoice..."

"For this we pray..."

Prayer for all God's children

We go out to serve our Lord

***Hymn:** *Joy to the world* #318

***Benediction**

***Hymn Benediction:** *Go now in peace* #429

***Sending Christ's light out into the world**

***Postlude**

*Please stand as you are able.

Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Cast:

Miss Paula Queen—Jordan LeSuer-Mandernack

Emerald Lasagna—Paul Brown

Betty Rucker—Natasha Leming

Rachael Day—Kristin August

Bobby Grey—Matthew Roop

Martha Steward—Karla Hovde

Alfred Brown—Lars Hovde

Uncle Earl Humdinger—John Roop

Choir Member—Jasmine Brown