

Advent Vespers

December 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Takoma Park Presbyterian Church

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

One: From a village called Bethlehem comes an unexpected leader, God-beloved,
to govern God's people;

All: to lead us as a shepherd guides the flock to water and good pasture.

One: The Lord is near. Let us worship God.

Song 84

Creator of the Stars of Night

*Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light, O Christ, redeemer of
us all, we pray you hear us when we call.*

*When this old world drew on toward night, you came, but not in splendor bright,
not as a monarch, but the child of Mary, blameless mother mild.*

*At your great name, O Jesus, now all knees must bend, all hearts must bow: all
things on earth with one accord, like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.*

*To God the Father, God the Son, God the Spirit, Three in One, praise, honor, might,
and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.*

Prayer

A Reading from Scripture

Luke 1:39-45

**A Reading from *The Season of Waiting (And Waiting ... And Waiting)*
by Kate Bowler**

Prayer

Song 95

Prepare the Way of the Lord

*Prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare the way of the Lord, and all people shall see
the salvation of our God.*

A Blessing

Benediction

Postlude