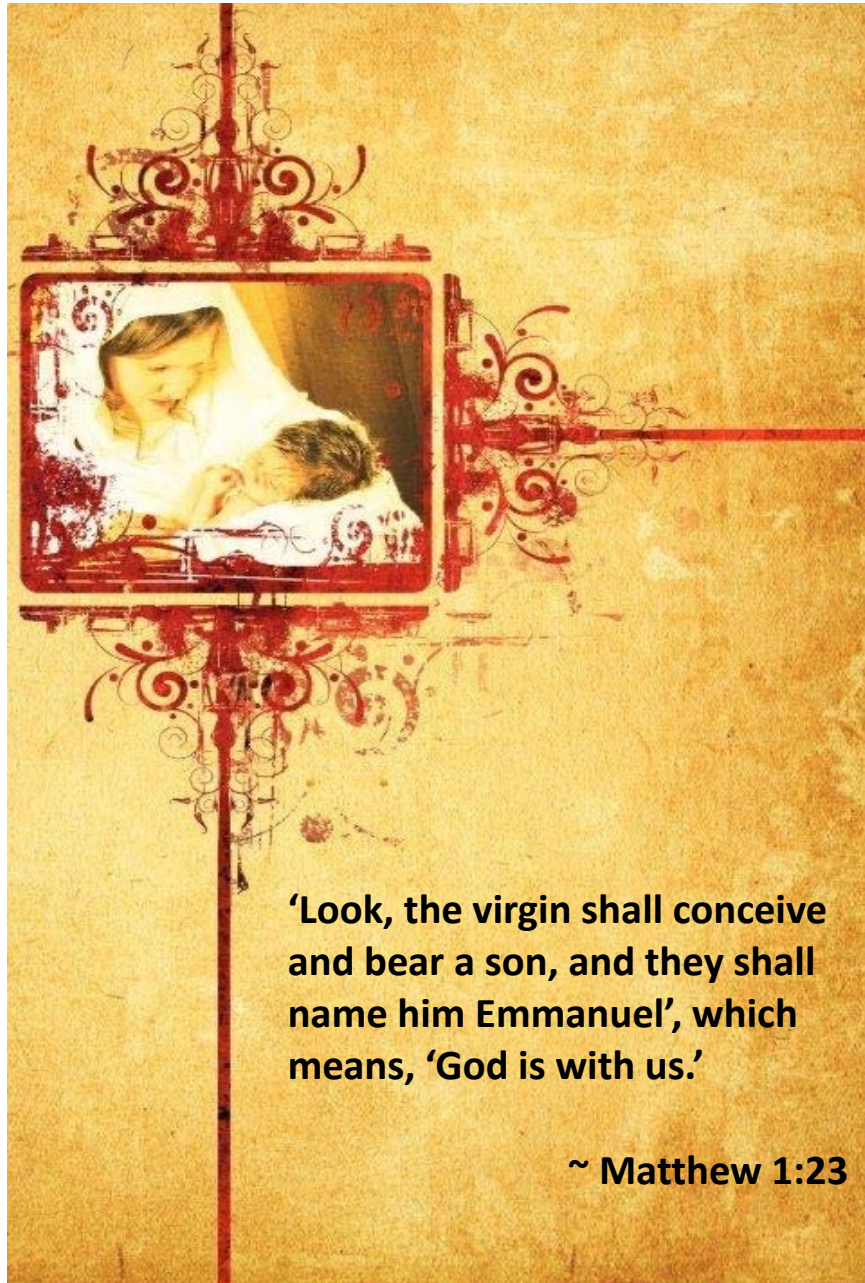




DOWNERS GROVE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reformed Church in America



**'Look, the virgin shall conceive
and bear a son, and they shall
name him Emmanuel', which
means, 'God is with us.'**

~ Matthew 1:23

Welcome to worship
glory to God in the highest!
Christ, the Savior is born!

December 24, 2009 ✚ 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

"The Spirit of Christmas"

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Christmas Paradox"

WELCOME

*OPENING PRAYER

*GREETING IN CHRIST

LIGHTING THE ADVENT AND CHRIST CANDLES

"The Spirit of Christmas"

DGCC Choir

Narration 1: Mary Has A visitor

"I Will Magnify the Lord"

DGCC Choir

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Narration 2: The Savior is Born

SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Matthew 1:18-25

MESSAGE

*The Gifts of Advent and Christmas
The Gift of Losing Control*

“He Became Poor”

DGCC Choir

“Cradled in A Manger”

DGCC Choir

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Narration 3: Gloria in Excelsis Deo!

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

DGCC Choir

Narration 4: The Shepherds Respond

“That Beautiful Name”

DGCC Choir

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

“Take the Name of Jesus With You”

Narration 5: The Beginning of Evangelism

“Good News!”

DGCC Choir

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

“Go Tell it on the Mountain”

Narration 6: Magi Worship the Infant King

“When He Came”

DGCC Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Narration 7: Believe!

“The Spirit of Christmas” Reprise

DGCC Choir

**HYMN SING AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES*

Sing one verse of all songs, except “Joy to the World!” We’ll Sing All of it.

“Good Christian Friends Rejoice”

“Silent Night, Holy Night”

“The First Noel”

“Away in a Manger”

“Joy to the World!”

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

Special thanks to Abi Demirgian Kuehn,
the DGCC musicians and all who worked
to make tonight’s service inspiring and God glorifying.

*Merry Christmas to all!
God bless us, everyone!*