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Blue Christmas Service

December 16, 2020 7pm

"In The Bleak Midwinter"

Laura Cervinsky, soloist

Welcome

Lessons: Isaiah 40:1, 3-5; Psalm 42:1-7; Gospel: Luke 2: 1-12

Invitation to Candle Lighting

Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Taize Chant Dona Nobis Pacem (Give Us Peace)

Lighting of the Candles and Offering of Prayers

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Hymn 112 "In The Bleak Midwinter"

Blessing and Dismissal

Words for "In The Bleak Midwinter"

In the bleak Midwinter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; snow had fallen snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would give a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part. What I can I give him, give my heart.

Psalm 42:1-7

- 1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks, * so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; * when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night, * while all day long they say to me, Where now is your God?"
- 4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things; * how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, * among those who keep holy-day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 Put your trust in God; * for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Blue Christmas Clergy Rev. Margaret Schwarzer, Rev. Karen Vickers Budney, Rev. Mia Kano