

CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER

Sunday, December 24, 2017

Ogden, Utah

*Brent J. and Lorinda G. Belnap;
their children Christopher, Rebecca, and Nathan;
Brian L. and Karen P. Belnap; Kyle and Melissa Knight;
Rachel Belnap; Gordon L. and Sharon Belnap;
Harvey D. Goff, Sr.*

Hymn #203, "Angels We Have Heard On High"

Blessing on the Food and Family Prayer



MENU

Appetizers and Hors d'oeuvres

Assortment of Cheeses and Crackers; Fresh and Dried Fruits; Nuts

Lebkuchen, Marzipan, Stollen, and other German Specialties

Candies; Cookies; Bread Bowl with Spinach Dip; Crudite

Salads and Bread

*Spring Salad with Dried Cranberries, Mandarin Orange Wedges,
Slivered Almonds, and Strawberries; with Poppyseed Dressing*

*Holiday Cranberry Jello Salad with Whole Cranberries,
Chopped Pecans, Celery, and Golden Delicious Apples*

Dinner Rolls

Main Dishes

Hearty Mustard-Maple-Honey-glazed Smoked Ham

*Svenska Köttbullar med Gräddsås
(Swedish Meatballs with Cardamom Cream Sauce and Carmelized Onions)*

Vegetable Dishes

Au Gratin Potatoes

Steamed Broccoli Spears and Buttery Cooked Carrots

Beverages

Chilled Cranberry Juice with Sparkling Water

Steaming Mulled Wassail

Desserts


Pumpkin Pie; Pecan Pie



CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM

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1. Light Christmas candles; turn off all lights except Christmas Tree lights
2. Sing favorite Christmas carols
3. Share favorite Christmas memories
4. Children: Open one present
(Belnap Family tradition since early 1960s; gift: new pajamas)
5. Family Talent Program
6. Re-enactment of the Nativity Story 
7. Place Baby Jesus in Jerusalem olive wood manger
*(The 22nd year of this Belnap Family tradition, begun Christmas 1996; assigned to the youngest person present);
Sing "Away In A Manger" (Hymn #206)*
8. Light "Shepherds' Field" candle; pass light to family members
(The 34th year of this Belnap Family tradition, begun Christmas 1984; started at "Mormon Shepherds' Field" near Bethlehem on April 5, 1984; candle to be lit on Christmas Eve at 11:00 p.m. Utah time where feasible)
9. Sing "Silent Night" (Hymn #204) and "I Wonder When He Comes Again" (Children's Songbook p. 82)
10. Watch "Polar Express";
Tuck children into bed and say prayers

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL,
AND TO ALL A GOODNIGHT!**

