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Service of Lessons & Carols

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From the beginning, through baptism, we are called Christian. We are "Christ-ened" at the font. Bearing Christ's name, we share the same Father and are invited to address this parent intimately: Abba! Jesus bears our sins in humble obedience to the will of God.

Today we pray that the mind of Christ, whose name we bear, would be our own.

It is a good way to begin, again, another year.

Bell

Announcements & Worship Matters

Prelude: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

-Felix Mendelssohn, setting by Carl Schalk

Gathering Song: *Angels We Have Heard on High* p. 8

Dialogue

Jesus, the bright Morning Star, shines light in the world.

By day and night he shines for all to see.

Jesus was born in the midst of injustice and poverty

that the world may see the justice and richness of God.

God so loved the world that God sent Jesus,

so that all who believe in him may not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus is the light of the world

Jesus is the light of our lives.

Sing to God a new song!

A song of hope, joy, and peace around the world.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Opening Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Gracious God of heaven and earth, you have thrown a lifeline to us in our darkness – a beam of light that shines through Jesus. Though born in a manger, he is the firstborn of all creation. Though crucified on a cross, he is the Lord of life. Fill us with the wonder and joy of his presence in the world and in our hearts.

Amen.

Lessons and Carols

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18

¹ In the beginning when God created he heavens and the earth, ² the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome

of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

Hymn: *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* p. 9

Second Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

²But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

³Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;

⁵and he shall be the one of peace.

Hymn: *Once in Royal David's City* p. 10

Third Reading: Luke 1:26-35, 38

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” ³⁴Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” ³⁵The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.

³⁸Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Hymn: *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* p. 11

Fourth Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰ But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

²³ "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." ²⁴ When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵ but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Hymn: *That Boy-Child of Mary* p. 12

Fifth Reading: Luke 2:8-20

⁸ In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹ to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Hymn: *All My Heart Again Rejoices* p. 13

Sixth Reading: Matthew 2:1-11

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Hymn: *In the Bleak Midwinter p. 14*

Seventh Reading: John 1:1-14

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸ He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹ The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

Hymn: *Love Has Come p. 58*

Nicene Creed

In the words of the Creed, let us confess our faith:

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Responsive Prayer

It is you, loving God, who lights our path with truth.

Your Word, Jesus, is truth.

In his light, draw all to the manger
to gather in wonder with the shepherds.

In his light, draw all to the manger
to kneel in reverence with the wise ones.

In his light, draw all to the manger
to sing for joy with the angels.

In the brightness of his life
cast away the darkness of injustice, poverty, and hunger in the world.

It is you, loving God, who meets us on our way.
In the light of Jesus, show the world the way of life.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

Offering: *Or, nous dites Marie*

-Cesar Franck

All who are able are invited to stand

Offering Prayer

God with us: You came as a baby to a manger. You slept on straw and greeted shepherds. You come again in bread and wine. Remind us how good you are at blessing ordinary things. And then, through these gifts, help us to bless the lives of others in the strength of your holy name.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as our Lord taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

Blessing

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God, all creatures here below!

You are the shepherds telling the story.

We tell it in the streets and across the land.

You are the wise ones worshipping with thanksgiving.

We worship with gifts of song and service, talents and treasures.

You are the angels announcing peace.

We live with joy and go now in peace.

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song: *Go Tell It on the Mountain* p. 16

Dismissal

Glory to God in the highest!

Peace to God's people on earth!

Go in peace, Share the gift of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Joy to the World*

-Georg Friedrich Handel, setting by Carl Schalk

Please note that worship services return to the regular 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. schedule beginning January 8th. Sunday School resumes at 9:15 a.m. on January 8th.

Feel free to take one of the poinsettias from the bench in the Sunday School foyer and share with a friend or neighbor who might need some cheer!

There will be one service at 9:15 a.m. on February 5th (Second Congregational Mtg.).

The church office will be closed tomorrow, January 2nd.

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Angels We Have Heard on High

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply, ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
 What the glad - some tid - ings be which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born king.

Refrain

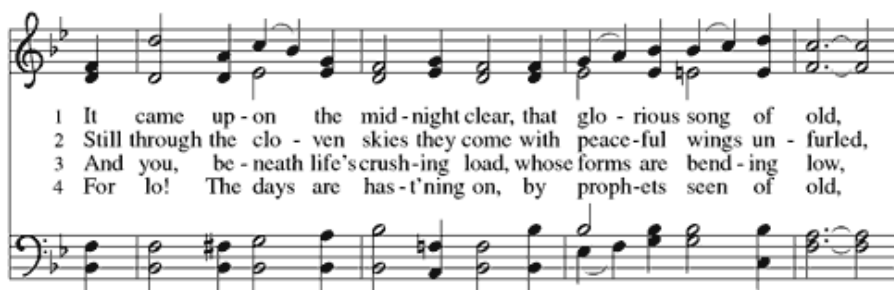
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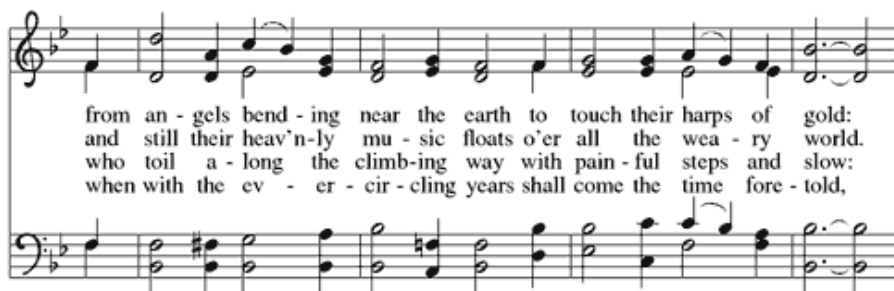
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Text: French carol; tr. H. F. Hemy, *The Crown of Jesus Music*, 1864
 Music: GLORIA, French carol; arr. Edward S. Barnes, 1887-1958

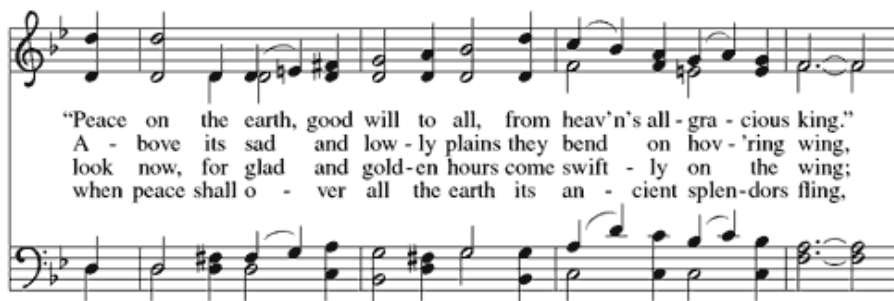
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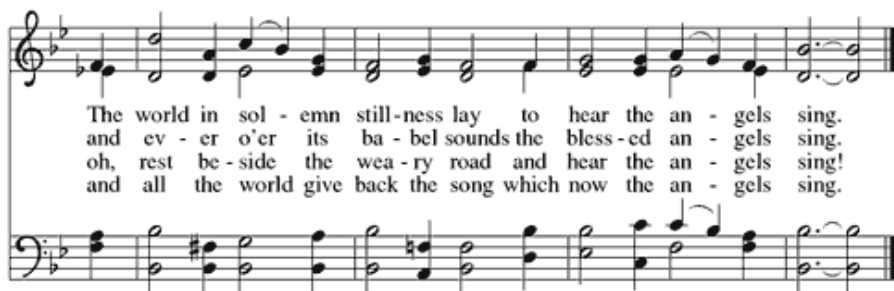
1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old,
 2 Still through the clo - ven skies they come with peace - ful wings un - furled,
 3 And you, be - neath life's crush - ing load, whose forms are bend - ing low,
 4 For lo! The days are has - t'ning on, by proph - ets seen of old,



from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
 and still their heav'n - ly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world.
 who toil a - long the climb - ing way with pain - ful steps and slow:
 when with the ev - er - cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,



"Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heav'n's all - gra - cious king."
 A - bove its sad and low - ly plains they bend on hov - 'ring wing,
 look now, for glad and gold - en hours come swift - ly on the wing;
 when peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen - dors fling,



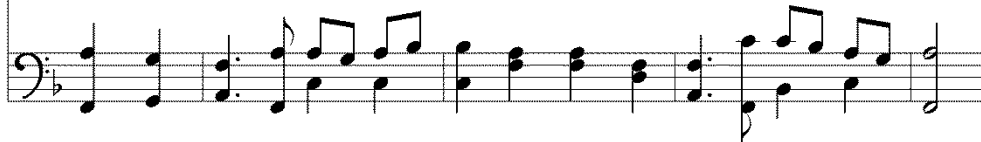
The world in sol - emn still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
 and ev - er o'er its ba - bel sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.
 oh, rest be - side the wea - ry road and hear the an - gels sing!
 and all the world give back the song which now the an - gels sing.

Text: Edmund H. Sears, 1810-1876
 Music: CAROL, Richard S. Willis, 1819-1900

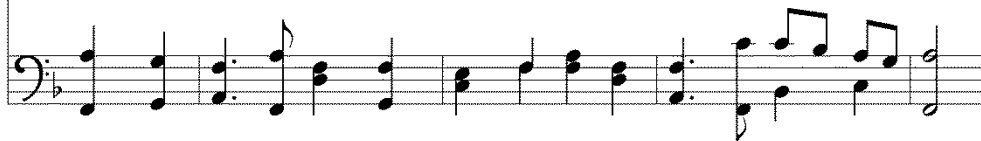
Once in Royal David's City



1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
2 He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of all,
3 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing love;
4 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing by,



where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed;
and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall;
for that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove;
we shall see him; but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high;



Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.
with the poor and meek and low - ly, lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
there his chil - dren gath - er round, bright like stars, with glo - ry crowned.



Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–1895
Music: IRBY, Henry J. Gauntlett, 1805–1876

Lo, How a Rose Is Growing

1 Lo, how a rose is grow - ing, a bloom of fin - est grace;
 2 The rose of which I'm sing - ing, I - sa - iah had fore - told.
 3 The shep - herds heard the sto - ry the an - gels sang that night:
 4 This flow'r, so small and ten - der, with fra - grance fills the air;
 5 O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt all hu - man woe;

the proph - ets had fore - told it: a branch of Jes - se's race
 He came to us through Mar - y who shel - tered him from cold.
 how Christ was born of Mar - y; he was the Son of light.
 his bright - ness ends the dark - ness that kept the earth in fear.
 O Sav - ior, king of glo - ry, who tri - umphed o'er our foe:

would bear one per - fect flow'r here in the cold of
 Through God's e - ter - nal will this child to us was
 To Beth - le - hem they ran to find him in the
 True God and yet true man, he came to save his
 bring us at length, we pray, to the bright courts of

win - ter and dark - est mid - night hour.
 giv - en at mid - night calm and still.
 man - ger as an - gel her - alds sang.
 peo - ple from earth's dark night of sin.
 heav - en and in - to end - less day.

Text: German, 15th cent.; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943


Music: ES IST EIN ROS, *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Köln, 1599

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That Boy-Child of Mary

Refrain



That boy - child of Mar - y was born in a sta - ble,



a man - ger his cra - dle in Beth - le - hem.



- 1 What shall we call him, child of the man - ger?
- 2 His name is Je - sus, God ev - er with us,
- 3 How can he save us, how can he help us,
- 4 Gift of the Fa - ther, to hu - man moth - er,



What name is giv - en in Beth - le - hem?
 God giv - en for us in Beth - le - hem.
 born here a - mong us in Beth - le - hem?
 makes him our broth - er in Beth - le - hem.

5 One with the Father,
 he is our Savior,
 heaven-sent helper
 in Bethlehem.

6 Gladly we praise him,
 love and adore him,
 give ourselves to him
 in Bethlehem.

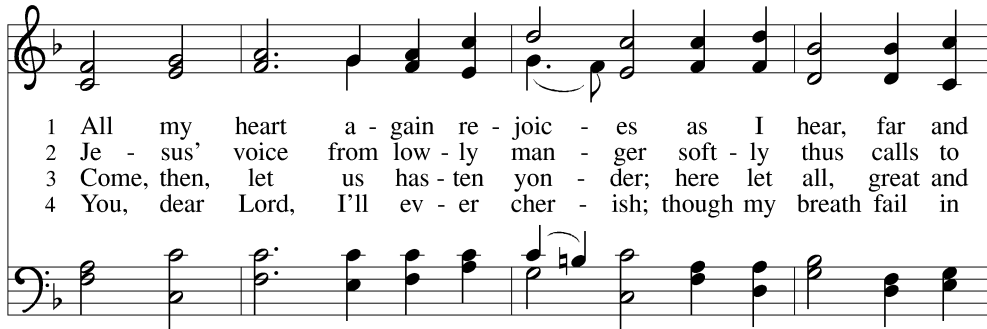
Text: Tom Colvin, 1925-2000

Music: BLANTYRE, Malawi traditional; adapt. Tom Colvin

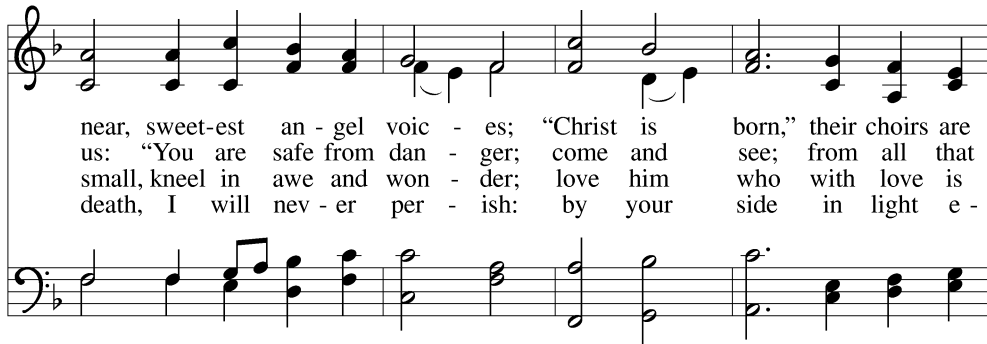
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All My Heart Again Rejoices



1 All my heart a - gain re - joic - es as I hear, far and
 2 Je - sus' voice from low - ly man - ger soft - ly thus calls to
 3 Come, then, let us has - ten yon - der; here let all, great and
 4 You, dear Lord, I'll ev - er cher - ish; though my breath fail in



near, sweet-est an - gel voic - es; "Christ is born," their choirs are
 us: "You are safe from dan - ger; come and see; from all that
 small, kneel in awe and won - der; love him who with love is
 death, I will nev - er per - ish: by your side in light e -



sing - ing, till the air ev - 'ry - where now with joy is ring - ing.
 grieves you you are freed; all you need I will sure - ly give you."
 yearn - ing; hail the star that from far bright with hope is burn - ing.
 ter - nal I shall be end - less - ly filled with joy su - per - nal.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: WARUM SOLLT ICH, Johann G. Ebeling, 1637–1676

In the Bleak Midwinter

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
2 Heav - en can - not hold him, nor . . . earth sus - tain;
3 What . . . can I give him, poor . . . as I am?

earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
heav'n and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign;
If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb;

snow had fall - en, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble place suf - ficed
if I were a wise . . . man I would do my part;

¿ in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
the Lord . . . God al - might - y, Je - sus Christ.
yet what I can I give him— give my heart.

Text: Christina Georgina Rossetti, 1830–1894
Music: CRANHAM, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934

Love Has Come



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to
what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

Text: Ken Bible, b. 1950

Music: UN FLAMBEAU, F. Seguin, *Recueil de noëls composés en langue provençale*, 1856

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Go Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain



Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;



go tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!



1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when, lo, a - bove the earth
3 Down in a lone - ly man - ger the hum-ble Christ was born;



Refrain



be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless-ed Christ-mas morn.



Text: African American spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1872–1925, stanzas, alt.
Music: GO TELL IT, African American spiritual

THIS WEEK (Jan. 1 – 7)

TODAY (1)

-6:30pm, AA Meeting, Social Hall

MON (2)

-6:30pm, Jordaniers Bowlers

-7:00pm, Boy Scouts

TUES (3)

-5:30pm, Basketball, Family Ctr.

-7:30pm-Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (4)

-5:30pm, Jr. Gyros

-6:15pm, Friendship Ringers

6:30pm, Canon Choir

-5:00pm, Soccer, Family Ctr.

-7:00pm, Badminton, Family Ctr.

THU (5)

-6:00pm, Executive mtg.

-7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

FRI (6)

-7:30pm, AA meeting, Social Hall

-7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

-9:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.



Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit

Fellowship Community: Florence Roth, Lillian Semmel, Donald & Jane Laudenslager

Bristol House: Janet Stettler **Sacred Heart:** Dale Gogel

Lehigh Ctr: Barbara Diehl **The Palmerton:** Ferne Rock

Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

Heather Glen: Herb & Anna Bieber, Sonny Laudenslager

Home: Margaret Smith, Olive Wood, Loretta Hein

Please keep these people in your prayers: Reed Klotz, Clint Trumbauer, Lois Heisler, Clark Snyder, Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Rachelle Shollenberger, Kim Demarest, Tammy Harding, Vanessa Mace, Michael Ross, Neil Snyder, Larry Bear, Dean Shollenberger, Lester Knipe, John Weremedic, Jane Laudenslager, Bishop Christopher Deforest, Ray Hamm, Shirley Hamm, Ulla Martz, Anna Bieber

Birthdays this week: Shirley Hamm, Beverly Ruppert, Aaron Wertman, Nicholas Wertman, Jean Wisler, Vicki Christianson, Gene Hahn, Christopher Hamil, Todd Heller, Sandie Hamil, Delbert Koch, Kyle Christianson, Dylan DuBois, Linda Hendricks, Lyndsey McGrevy, Karen Hahn, Shirley Moyer, Gavin Russell

Anniversaries this week: [none]

If you've submitted a name for the prayers, please let us know when that person is well enough to be removed.

Attendance: **12/24 (6:00) – 117**
 12/24 (9:00) – 100
 12/25 - 34

Sponsors

[no sponsors today]

Found in the Literature Racks This Week

<i>Last week's bulletin</i>	<i>This month's newsletter</i>
<i>Annual Reports</i>	<i>Endowment Request Forms</i>
<i>Devotional booklets</i>	<i>Last Month's Treasurer's Report</i>

Worship Assistants

DATE	1/1	1/8	1/15	1/22
Altar Guild	9:15-S Wagaman	8:00-J Murphy, B Albright 10:30-C Heilman	8:00-J Murphy, B Albright 10:30-C Heilman	8:00-J Murphy, B Albright 10:30-
Lector	9:15- (see below)	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-
Acolyte	9:15-S Deeney	8:00-M Shafer 10:30-L Epting	8:00-G Schuler 10:30-J Smith	8:00-P Shafer 10:30-B Epting
Ushers	9:15-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-
Bell Toller	9:15-B Nagle	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-J Siegfried	8:00-D Stark 10:30-B Stettler	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-J Siegfried
SAT	9:15-J Siegfried	8:00-D Wagaman 10:30-K Boardman	8:00-K Mancke 10:30-D Mancke	8:00-D Wagaman 10:30-D Clark
Video	TBD	10:30-	10:30-	10:30-

Help is needed in all areas of worship on Sunday mornings. If you would like to assist at worship in any of these capacities, please contact the person listed: Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels ljd2137@aol.com // **Lectors/**Julie Boscia Julie.boscia@gmail.com // **Acolytes/**Stephany Heckman sgarbeglio@yahoo.com // **Ushers /**John Weremedic miner70@ptd.net // **Bell Toller/**Sandie Hamil hamilrsre@gmail.com // **SAT/**Karen Boardman/kjb59@ptd.net // **Video/**Julie Williams jbwill02@gmail.com

Thanks to today's lectors: Marlene Peters, Chell Dorney, Karen Boardman, Carol Nagle, Carolyn Flemish

SPONSORSHIPS

2023 Altar Flowers: Jan. 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 30

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or *\$20/1 vase*; Bulletins for \$20.

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS: Contact Donna Hahn at 610-395-0613 or dhahn16@gmail.com with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). **Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut-ins.** If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut-ins. Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

SPONSORSHIP POLICY: Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

The Second Congregational Meeting

will be on Sunday, **February 5th, 2023**. All committees are asked to submit their yearly reports in a timely manner, **by Jan. 22, 2023**. Reports will be distributed a week prior to the meeting [Jan. 29th] for your review.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2022				
	Month	YTD	Budget Amounts	
Income:			Month	YTD
Operating Income	\$ 21,010.00	\$ 348,505.00	\$ 30,530.00	\$ 335,830.00
Benevolence	\$ 886.00	\$ 9,522.00	\$ 1,333.00	\$ 14,667.00
Property	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 14,714.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 27,500.00
Total Income	\$ 23,016.00	\$ 372,741.00	\$ 34,363.00	\$ 377,997.00
Expenses:				
Administration	\$ 1,071.00	\$ 17,951.00	\$ 1,742.00	\$ 19,158.00
Benevolence	\$ 1,688.00	\$ 17,925.00	\$ 1,813.00	\$ 19,938.00
Payroll	\$ 25,240.00	\$ 240,171.00	\$ 22,416.00	\$ 245,492.00
Ministries	\$ 1,151.00	\$ 10,251.00	\$ 858.00	\$ 9,441.00
Property-Utilities, grounds, etc	\$ 13,083.00	\$ 111,871.00	\$ 7,625.00	\$ 83,875.00
Total Expenses	\$ 42,233.00	\$ 398,169.00	\$ 34,454.00	\$ 377,904.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (19,217.00)	\$ (25,428.00)	\$ (91.00)	\$ 93.00

Family Promise

We will be hosting families at Jordan for eight weeks in 2023, with St Joseph the Worker. **The hosting weeks are Jan 8, Jan 15, Mar 19, Mar 26, Aug 6, Aug 13, Oct 1, & Oct 8.** Please take a minute and sign up for a shift or two the weeks of Jan 8 & 15 - on the Jordan website → Ministries -> Outreach. All of the families we hosted in October have graduated – we will see four new families in January. The bus is running again to deliver families between the Day Center and congregations.

Consider supporting this worthwhile organization by attending Family Promise events - January 2, 2023- BINGO – at Jordan UCC from 11 – 2 & April 1, 2023 - HOMECOMING 23 -, at the Hyatt Place. You can also support Family Promise by making a donation through their website.

Church Office Holiday Schedule

The office will be closed Monday, January 2nd.

Offering Envelopes for 2023

Please stop by the Memory Room to pick-up you/your family's 2023 boxed sets of offering envelopes at your earliest convenience. We also welcome help from those who are able to deliver additional boxes to friends or shut-ins. This is our second year of using the boxes, and we hope this method serves us well as postal service continues to be less than reliable.

2022 Year-end Contributions

must be submitted to the church office **no later than Dec. 31, 2022** in order to receive a credit for the 2022 fiscal year. Any offering postmarked after Dec. 31, 2022, will be considered as 2023 income.