

Gathering Hymn

Angels, from the Realms of Glory (275)



- 1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
- 2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
- 3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
- 4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,



once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light.
seek the great de - sire of na - tions, you have seen his na - tal star.
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to the e - ter - nal Three in One.

Refrain



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born king.

Greeting

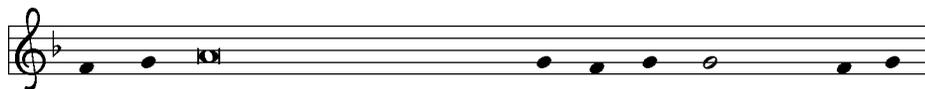
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

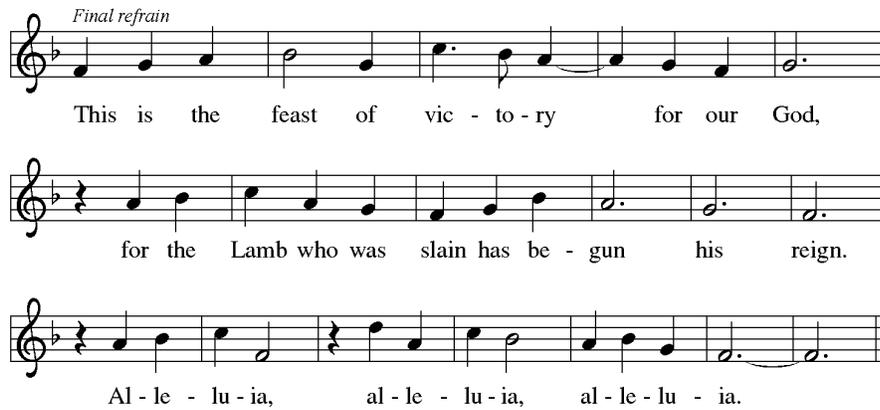


For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

God of all learning,

when the boy, Jesus, stayed in the temple to learn from the elders, it was the elders who in turn learned from him. Teach us, Lord, as you have taught others, and grant us wisdom and willingness to learn. Amen.

Special Music

“Christ is the World’s True Light” by Briggs and Stanton

Duet: Alice DeLoughry & Megan Miller

Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-28

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, ‘I have asked him of the LORD.’

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, ‘As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.’ Her husband Elkanah said to her, ‘Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the LORD establish his word.’ So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, ‘Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.’

She left him there for the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+ Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:41-52

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Daniel Smith

+ Hymn of the Day

Good Christian Friends Rejoice (288)



- 1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
- 2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
- 3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man-ger now.
He has o - pened heav-en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

*Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing.
(a brief silence)*

After each petition:

*Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.*

Those remembered in prayer this week ...

*Teresa Allen, Beth Ayen, Allen Brooks, Brad Buhler, Sonny Campbell, Dorothy Carlson, Penny Foster,
Andrea Gallant, Elaine Glover, Mike Jensen, Darcy Johnson at the death of her father, Jack Kagarise,
Daniela Mannerberg, Pam Landry, Rick & Joan Leiting, the family of Sara Petz at her death, Carlos
Quiles, Rick Rogers, Connie Schneider, Jeff Sebben, Cassie Shaffer, Warren Slagle, Cathy Stanley,
Ilene Steinkruger, Wanda Wade, Lucille Walker, Dee Yocum, all our men and women serving overseas,
especially Anthony Calderon, and all others we lift up to you at this time.*

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

The Preface to the Sanctus

It is indeed right ... and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:

We praise you and glorify your holy name.

*Pouring out love, you made a covenant with Israel,
forming a people loved and called to love.*

*Pouring out love, you transformed the covenant through Jesus,
who fed the hungry and cured the sick,
whose baptism and teaching revealed the kingdom of heaven,
who broke into our world with unexpected joy,
who died and rose that we might live.*

*Pouring out love, you renew the covenant with us again today,
through this meal of mercy and grace.*

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
We praise you and glorify your holy name. Amen.

In the night in which he was betrayed ...

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate, send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit, whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love. Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit, that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.
Come, Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

We encourage you to have your bread and wine/grape juice ready. When the pastor says "The body of Christ given for you" and "The blood of Christ shed for you", eat and drink trusting that this is God's free gift of grace for you. If you are worshiping with others, one may give the bread and wine to the rest offering those same words. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

The Blessing
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, O God,

that you have fed us at your table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sending Hymn

The First Noel (300)



1 The first No - el the an - gel did say was to
2 They look - ed up and saw . . a star shin - ing
3 And by the light of that . . same star three . .
4 This star drew near to the . . north-west, o'er . .
5 Then en - tered in those wise . . men three, full . .



cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; in fields where
in . . . the east . . be - yond . . them far; and to the
wise . . men came . . from coun - try far; to seek for a
Beth - le - hem . . it took . . its rest; and there it
rev - 'rent - ly . . . up - on . . . their knee, and of - fered

they lay, keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's
 earth it gave . . . great light, and . . so it con -
 king was their . . . in - tent, and to fol - low the
 did both stop . . . and stay right . . o - ver the
 there in his . . . pres - ence their . . gold, . . . and

Refrain

night that was so deep.
 tin-ued both day and night.
 star wher - ev - er it went. No - el, No - el, No -
 place where Je - sus lay.
 myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

el, No - el! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Blessing
Amen.

Sending
Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude **“As With Gladness Men of Old” arr. Michael Burkhardt** **Organ Solo**
 1994 Morning Star Music

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Calendar- January 3-10

<u>SUNDAY 1/3</u>	9:15 AM	Online Worship
	10:15 AM	Fellowship Hour via Zoom
<u>TUESDAY</u>	10:15 AM	Choir Rehearsal via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Bible Study via Zoom
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	7:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom
	9:00 AM	Staff Meeting via Zoom
<u>SUNDAY 1/10</u>	6:30 PM	Confirmation via Zoom
	9:15 AM	Online Worship
	10:15 AM	Fellowship Hour via Zoom
	10:15 AM	Choir Rehearsal via Zoom
		Online Sunday School