



# Community Presbyterian Church

First Sunday of Christmas  
26 December 2021

## GATHERING

### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** Angels We Have Heard on High

### Call to Worship

(One) Praise Jesus Christ, the newborn Prince of Peace!  
Our Savior is born, and we are reconciled to our Creator.  
**(All) We have been redeemed. We are no longer  
afraid. We may now live in truth and love.**

(One) Praise to the God who has come to us in the flesh!  
By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

**(All) We are being created anew. We are no longer  
slaves to the flesh, but have been born into the Spirit.**

(One) Praise to the Spirit who calls us together to serve!

**(All) We will be sustained. We will proclaim Christ's  
love for all generations.**

(One) Come, let us worship God!

### Opening Prayer

### Responsive Psalm

*Psalm 148*

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the  
heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his  
angels; praise him, all his host!

**(All) Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you  
shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and  
you waters above the heavens!**

(One) Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he  
commanded and they were created. He established  
them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which  
cannot be passed.

**(All) Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea  
monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling his command!**

(One) Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!  
Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying  
birds!

**(All) Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and  
all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!**

(One) Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

**(All) He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!**

**\*Hymn (179)**

*Joy to The World*

(1) Joy to the world! the Lord is come;  
let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

(2) Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;  
let all their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

(3) No more let sin and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.

(4) He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

**Prayer of Confession**

(One) Eternal and gracious God, We spend much of our lives pursuing earthly pleasures, power and influence, and financial prosperity. Yet, You came to us in the weakness of the manger. Even in this holy season, we find ourselves beholden to material gifts. You alone offer us the only everlasting gift: Your Son, Jesus Christ, God with us.

**(All) We confess to You our pride, our fear, and our reluctance to receive Your grace. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, forgive us, heal us, and transform us. We humbly pray, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. (Silence)**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Response**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

**PROCLAMATION**

**Old Testament Reading**

*1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26*

**New Testament Reading**

*Colossians 3:12-17*

**Gospel Reading**

**Luke 2:41-52**

**Sermon**

**Hymn (185)**

*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

(1) Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King:  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with th'angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*Refrain:*

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King."

(2) Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of the Virgin's womb:  
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail th'incarnate Deity,  
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel. [Refrain]

(3) Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth. [Refrain]

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*The Apostles Creed*

**I believe** in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence 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 life everlasting. Amen.

**Offertory**

*Away in A Manger*

**\*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** (sins/trespass)

**SENDING**

**Charge**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Joy to the World*

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