



Community Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Christmas
2 January 2022

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Still, Still, Still. Arr. Mark Hayes

*Call to Worship

O Come All Ye Faithful (182)

(1) O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain:

O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ, the Lord.

(2) Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God, all glory in the highest; [Refrain]

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 147:12-20

(One) Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! For he strengthens the bars of your gates; he blesses your children within you.

(All) He grants peace within your borders; he fills you with the finest of wheat. He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly.

(One) He gives snow like wool; he scatters frost like ashes. He hurls down hail like crumbs-- who can stand before his cold?

(All) He sends out his word, and melts them; he makes his wind blow, and the waters flow. He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and ordinances to Israel.

(One) He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his ordinances. Praise the LORD!

*Hymn (188)

Angels We Have Heard on High

(1) Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

(2) Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say, what may the tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song? [Refrain]

(3) Come to Bethlehem, and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. [Refrain]

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 Jeremiah 31:7-14
New Testament Reading Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel Reading John 1:1-18

Sermon

***Hymn (218)** *Go Tell It On the Mountain*

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.

(1) While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. [Refrain]

(2) The shepherds feared and trembled
when, lo! above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. [Refrain]

(3) Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]

RESPONSE

*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

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

Sing Choirs of Angels Medley

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Games Up Here, Wednesday Bible Study, and Men's Prayer Breakfast are cancelled this week. All three will return the second week of January.

12th Night Potluck

Join us on Wednesday, January 5th at 6:00pm in Darley Hall for our Twelfth Night Potluck. Bring your favorite cheese, hors d'oeuvre, finger food, or drink and celebrate the end of the Christmas season.

12 days of Christmas Tea Drive

That's right, we're trying to build up a vast tea supply for the coming year and for our hiker ministry. Consider sending us your favorite box(es) of tea for the 12 days of Christmas. The address is below.

Celebrating Communion Next Week

Just a reminder that next Sunday, January 9th, we'll be celebrating the Lord's Supper in the 10:00am Worship Service in the sanctuary and on Zoom.

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