

# GATHERING

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

**\*Call to Worship** (182) *O Come All Ye Faithful*

(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]

**Responsive Psalm** *Psalm 148*

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the  
heavens; praise him in the heights!

**(All) Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host.  
Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining  
stars!**

(One) Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters  
above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the  
LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

**(All) He established them forever and ever; he fixed  
their bounds, which cannot be passed.**

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



**Community  
Presbyterian Church**

First Sunday of Christmas  
28 December 2025

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

(One) Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all  
rulers of the earth!

**(All) 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!**

## PROCLAMATION

### **\*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.

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 63:7-9*

### **New Testament Reading**

*Hebrews 2:10-18*

### **Gospel Reading**

*Matthew 2:13-23*

### **Sermon**

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sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God, all glory in the highest; [Refrain]

(3) Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; [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

### \*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

### Passing of the Peace

### Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

**(All) ... Hear our prayers.**

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

## SENDING

### Charge

### Benediction

### Postlude (218)

*Go Tell It on the Mountains*

### *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]

## Community Presbyterian Church

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## SCRIPTURES

### Isaiah 63:7-9

I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

63:8

For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not act deceitfully," and he became their savior

63:9

in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and pity it was he who redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

### Hebrews 2:10-18

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

2:11

For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters,

2:12

saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

2:13

And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me."

2:14

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,

2:15

and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.

2:16

For it is clear that he did not come to help angels but the descendants of Abraham.

2:17

Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.

2:18

Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

### **Matthew 2:13-23**

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."

2:14

Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt

2:15

and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

2:16

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the magi.

2:17

Then what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:

2:18

"A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."

2:19

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,

2:20

"Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead."

2:21

Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.

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But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.

2:23

There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazarene."