

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 5, 2020

Eleven O'Clock

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast
Liturgist: Pat Nash

PRELUDE:

- I. *Carols of the Star* - Traditional, arr. Lani Smith
- II. *Walk in the Light* - MANOAH, arr. Robert J. Hughes

CHIMING THE HOUR

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Please remember to sign the attendance registers located in each pew. It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?**

Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the response

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsively)

Leader: **Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**
People: **Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.**
All: **Let us worship God.**

*PRAISE CHORUS:

Hymn No. 83 "*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*" vs. 1 STUTTGART
**Come thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.**

Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer

***OPENING PRAYER** **O Holy One, heavenly angels spoke to earthly shepherds and eternity entered time in the child of Bethlehem. Through the telling of the Christmas story, let our temporal lives be caught up in the eternal in that same child, that we might join shepherds and all the heavenly host by praising the coming of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Our first hymn today is:

***HYMN** No. 140

"Once in Royal David's City"

IRBY

***CALL TO CONFESSION** **If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.**

Let us pray...

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful Father forgive our failures in the midst of a tumultuous world. Help us to show love where there is hate. Give us strength to stand up for the right in the face of evil. Bless us with wisdom, understanding, and compassion as we make decisions about our actions. Forgive us when we shy away from situations out of fear or uncertainty. Make us strong witnesses to Your love for Your creation. We ask in the name of Your Holy Son. (Please wait about 20 seconds, and then say,) Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 494 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" vs. 2 QUEBEC

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; Thou savest those that on Thee call;
to them that seek Thee Thou art good, to them that find Thee, all in all.

TIME FOR YOUTH You may be seated and at this time would our youth please come forward. (If there are no youth (besides the regulars,) then just say "you may be seated.")

Please bow your heads for our Prayer of Illumination

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION God of glory, Your splendor shines from a manger in Bethlehem, where the Light of the world is humbly born into the darkness of human night. Open our eyes to Christ's presence in the shadow of our world, so that we, like Him, may become beacons of Your justice, and defenders of all for whom there is no room. Amen.

Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 147:12-20 please read it responsively with me.

PSALTER LESSON Psalm 147:12-20 (Please read responsively)

Leader: **Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!**

People: **For He strengthens the bars of your gates; He blesses Your children within you.**

Leader: **He grants peace within your borders; He fills you with the finest of wheat.**

People: **He sends out His command to the earth; His word runs swiftly.**

Leader: **He gives snow like wool; He scatters frost like ashes.**

People: **He hurls down hail like crumbs-who can stand before His cold?**

Leader: **He sends out His word, and melts them; He makes His wind blow, and the waters flow.**

People: **He declares His word to Jacob, His statutes and ordinances to Israel.**

Leader: **He has not dealt thus with any other nation;**

People: **they do not know His ordinances. Praise the Lord!**

Leader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God!**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Jeremiah 31:7-14, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 734

Our choir will now sing the Anthem:

ANTHEM: *Lord, Meet Us Here* - Trad. African-American, arr. Mark Weston

GOSPEL LESSON Our Gospel Lesson comes from John 1:(1-9), 10-18, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 91-92

SERMON

Rev. Janet Boyanton

Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:

*HYMN No. 136

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

GO TELL IT

Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.

*AFFIRMATION The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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

*RESPONSE: Hymn No. 581

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end, Amen, amen.**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY You may be seated. It is now time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY: *Bread of the World* - EUCHARISTIC HYMN, arr. Lyndell Leatherman

*RESPONSE: Hymn No. 606 *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Let us come to God with our prayer of Thanksgiving

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord of the harvest and of the famine, hear our prayer of joyous thanksgiving. You have given us more than we need. Even when things seem hard, You are there. In the safety of Your love we live secure knowing that someday we will eat at Your banquet with You. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(For the music used during the prayer turn to #552, 553, and 554 in the hymnal.)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: To the one true and living God...

Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with the choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful are the works of Your hands, Holy God, and how gracious is the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior...

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Breathe on us, breath of God, and upon these gifts of bread and cup...

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

Amen, Amen, Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Our last Hymn today is:

***HYMN No. 119**

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

MENDELSSOHN

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 80 *"You Shall Go Out with Joy"*

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands
while you go out in peace.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***POSTLUDE:** *Fairest Lord Jesus* - CRUSADER'S HYMN, arr. David H. Hegarty

***Those who are able may stand.**

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Today's flowers are donated by Joan Christy
to celebrate the lives of her mother, Irene McNeil, and Jary Christy
and to celebrate Mike Keffer's birthday

*Please join us for Refreshments
following the Worship Service.*

Daily Bread

Supplement

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CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY AND BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

We will continue to collect clothes for the needy and box tops for education. Please bring in your donations and put them in the designated places in the opportunity corner.

THE ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree this year will be the same as last year: that is, envelopes will be put out for you to put your contribution in toward a gift from the Presbyterian gift catalog. You may put the envelope in the collection plate when it is passed. If you want credit on your statement for it, you should include your name on the envelope. Or you may simply write a check and note "Angel Tree" in the memo space.

TAKE DOWN DECORATIONS

We need your help! Please come join us on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. to take down the Christmas decorations. The more people we have to help, the quicker we can get it done. Thank you in advance!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

06:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Tigers

07:00 PM Boy Scouts 109

TUESDAY

10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group

THURSDAY

10:00 AM Art Group

NEXT SUNDAY

09:15 AM Choir Practice

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Millie Allen

Tom Price needs continued prayers

Continued prayers for Bill and Nina Swaney

Sue Fitch

Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

Irmagene Mitchell

Karla Krueger, she has M.S. and is very sick

Margie Sonntag

Martha Brashear is still in pain after her surgery, prayers for her and Truman

Diane Sharp

Ransome Kanu was accepted into North Texas University, he needs continued prayers

Sonia Wills and her family

La Nelle Pierce has passed away, prayers for her friends and family

The church in Cameroon in being destroyed

Zac Tucker

Julie's daughter's parents-in-law are both very ill

Aurelia's son, Joshua Coleman

Janet's friend Chris has bone cancer and other problems

Travel mercies for all our members who are traveling

Nina and Julie are both suffering from sciatica

CELEBRATIONS

Bryson and Emily were adopted by Jeff and April Alexander on Friday