

December 25, 2021

Christmas Day

10:00 AM



The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.*****

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Pastor's Greeting:



Hymn: *Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful* CW 55 (NCW 354) Stz 1-4



1 Oh, come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, Oh,
2 God from true God, and Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion;
4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing;



come ye, oh, come ye to Beth - le - hem;
Born of a vir - gin, to earth he comes,
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove.
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n,



Come and be - hold him, Born the King of an - gels.
On - ly be - got - ten Son of God the Fa - ther.
Glo - ry to God, all Glo - ry in the high - est.
Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing.



Oh, come, let us a - dore him, Oh, come, let us a - dore him,



Oh, come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

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Confession and Absolution:

L: Unto us the Christ is born.

C: **O Come let us adore him! The angel said,**

L: I bring you good news of great joy, which will be for all people; today a Savior has been born for you; he is Christ the Lord!

C: **We proclaim that Jesus is the Christ the promised Savior.**

L: Everlasting Lord and Mary's Son, we praise you now and forever!

C: **Amen!**

L: Fellow believers, God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

All: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this, I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But, I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

L: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer for Christmas Day:

L: We pray; Lord Jesus Christ, let the joyous message of Christmas be proclaimed in all the world. Let your Gospel message be proclaimed throughout the world and let it be planted in the souls of the lost. Let your kingdom come and your name be glorified; now and forevermore.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn: *Now Sing We, Now Rejoice* **CW 34** (NCW 363) **Stz 1 & 2**

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1 Now sing we, now re - joice, Now raise to heav'n our voice;
2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise to thee.



He from whom joy stream - eth Poor in a man - ger lies;
Cheer my wea - ried spir - it, O pure and ho - ly Child;



Not so bright - ly beam - eth The sun in yon - der skies.
Through thy grace and mer - it, Blest Je - sus, Lord most mild,



Thou my Sav - ior art! Thou my Sav - ior art!
Draw me un - to thee! Draw me un - to thee!

The Lesson:

Hebrews 1:1-9

L: In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

³ The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

⁴ So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

⁵ For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father”? Or again, “I will be his Father, and he will be my Son”?

⁶ And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.”

⁷ In speaking of the angels he says, “He makes his angels winds, his servants flames of fire.” ⁸ But about the Son he says,

C: “Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever, and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom.

L: ⁹ You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; Therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.”
(The Word of the Lord)

Hymn: Angels from the Realms of Glory.....CW 80 (NCW 347) Stz 1 & 2

1 An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
 2 Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your
 all the earth; Once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry;
 flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing —
 Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth: Come and wor - ship,
 Yon - der shines the in - fant light.
 come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

The Gospel:

John 1:1-14

L: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning.

C: ³ **Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.**

L: ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness,

C: **but the darkness has not understood it.**

L: ⁶ There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. ⁸ John himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

C: ⁹ **The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.**

L: ¹⁰ *Jesus* was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

C: ¹⁴ **The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.**

L: We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Hymn: *Let All Together Praise Our God*..... CW 41 (NCW 355) Stz 1-4

1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore his
 2 He leaves his heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
 3 He veils in flesh his pow'r di - vine A ser - vant's
 4 A won - drous change which he does make: He takes our

high - est throne; To - day he o - pens heav'n a - gain And
 in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
 form to take; In want and low - li - ness must die Who
 flesh and blood, And he con - ceals for sin - ners' sake His

gives us his own Son, And gives us his own Son.
 in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
 heav'n and earth did make, Who heav'n and earth did make.
 maj - es - ty as God, His maj - es - ty as God.

Christmas Message:

Galatians 4:4 & 5 (NIV 84)

God Gives Us What We Need!

⁴ But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, ⁵ to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.



Hymn: *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*Trinity Hymnal 211 Stz 1, 2, & 1

1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may,
 2. In Beth - le - hem, in Is - ra - el this bles - sed baby was born,
 1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may,
 re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day,
 and laid with - in the man - ger up - on that bles - sed morn:
 re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day,
 to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray;
 to which his mo - ther Ma - ry did noth - ing take in scorn!
 to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray;
 O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy,
 O tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

Prayer for Christmas Day:

God of our salvation you have brought us to faith in the Christ Child. We ask that you would also work powerfully in the hearts of those who do not yet know him or who do not know him in truth. Grant that the world's attention to the Christ may be more than a seasonal attraction or a sentimental novelty. Continue to call people through the Gospel so that everyone may see Jesus as the answer not only to life's problems on earth, but also as the sure hope of life eternal life in heaven with you. This we ask in Jesus' name who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: (traditional)

***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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen!***

Blessing:

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn: *Joy to the World* **CW 62** (NCW 353) **Stz 1-4**



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the



ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
songs em - ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; He comes to make his bless - ings
na - tions prove The glo - ries of his right - eous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
ness And won - ders of his love. And won - ders of his



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing,
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

*Jesus is the Reason for this Holy Season
May the Lord Bless you all*



Opportunities for You to Worship King Jesus

December 26, Sunday

9:30 AM

Worship w/communion

May the joy and peace, found only in Christ Jesus our Lord, be yours now and forever more.

Pastor and Karen wish you God's richest blessings and offer to each of you their heartfelt thank you for your gifts, your prayers, and your service to the LORD.

December Birthdays

29 Nate Potter
31 Larry Galbreath

January 2022, Birthdays and Anniversaries

2 Bob Baur
7 Nick Carne
10 Tom Legg
21 Addison Wittmershaus
23 Lindsey Backes
24 Ray Williams
27 Ryan & Keely Taylor 4 years
28 Sam Meister
31 Fay Jones