



ALL  
SAINTS  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work,  
Or watch, or weep this night,  
And give your angels charge over those who sleep.  
Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary,  
Bless the dying, soothe the suffering,  
Pity the afflicted, shield the joyous;  
And all for your love's sake. Amen.*

# THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Evening, December 14, 2025

6:00 p.m.



Welcome

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

\*Call to Worship. . . . . Psalm 113:1-3

Praise the LORD!

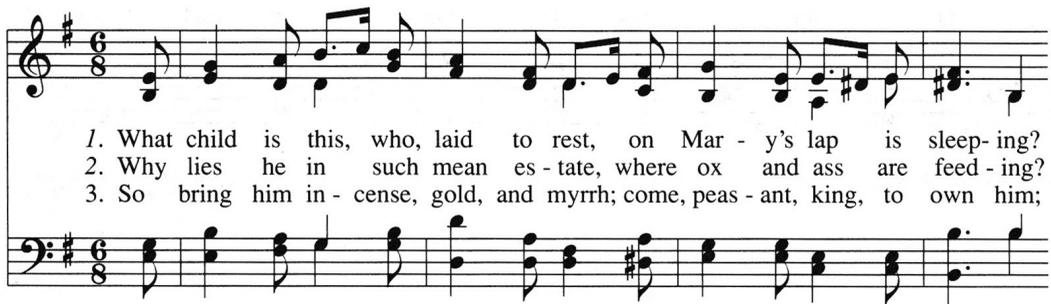
Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore!

From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

\*Hymn of Christ's Incarnation. . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 213

*What Child is This*

Musical score for the hymn "What Child is This". It features a treble and bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a time signature of 6/8. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing? 2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass are feed - ing? 3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas - ant, king, to own him;

*\*Please stand during these portions of the service.*

*\*A room with the service's live stream is available down the hallway in case parents need to step out with their children\**

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
 Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing,  
 the King of kings sal - va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:  
 Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:  
 Raise, raise the song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
 hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
 joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y.

Traditional English carol  
 Adapted by William C. Dix, ca. 1865

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 English melody, 16th cent.

\*Prayer of Invocation

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson . . . . . 1 Kings 11:23-43  
 (See Pages 6-7)

\*Sung Response . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 144, 5<sup>th</sup> stanza  
(Sung to the tune of Dundee)

O may these heavenly pages be my ever dear delight.  
And still new beauties may I see, and still increasing light.

The Children's Lesson . . . . . Rev. Nathan McCall

Children of all ages are invited to come forward and sit in front of the Communion Table for a lesson from the Pastor.

Prayer of the Covenant

Catechism Lesson . . . . . The Shorter Catechism: Questions 82–84

Q. 82. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

A. No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but does daily break them in thought, word, and deed.

Q. 83. Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

Q. 84. What does every sin deserve?

A. Every sin deserves God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

\*Hymn of Christ's Incarnation. . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 201

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie;  
2. For Christ is born of Mar - y; and gath - ered all a - bove,  
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is giv'n!  
4. O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with four numbered lines of text corresponding to the four verses of the hymn.

a - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by:  
 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring love.  
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n.  
 cast out our sin and en - ter in; be born in us to - day.

yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;  
 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!  
 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
 And prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.  
 where meek souls will re - ceive him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.  
 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el.

Phillips Brooks, 1868

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 Lewis H. Redner, 1868

## GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Second Scripture Lesson . . . . . Galatians 1:11-24  
 (See page 7)

Preaching of the Word . . . . . Rev. Nathan McCall

*The Gospel Is A Revelation*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Gloria Patri . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 735

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.

\*Benediction . . . . . Psalm 29:11

May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!  
*Amen.*

Postlude



## First Scripture Lesson

<sup>23</sup> God also raised up as an adversary to him, Rezon the son of Eliada, who had fled from his master Hadadezer king of Zobah. <sup>24</sup> And he gathered men about him and became leader of a marauding band, after the killing by David. And they went to Damascus and lived there and made him king in Damascus. <sup>25</sup> He was an adversary of Israel all the days of Solomon, doing harm as Hadad did. And he loathed Israel and reigned over Syria.

<sup>26</sup> Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephraimite of Zeredah, a servant of Solomon, whose mother’s name was Zeruah, a widow, also lifted up his hand against the king. <sup>27</sup> And this was the reason why he lifted up his hand against the king. Solomon built the Millo, and closed up the breach of the city of David his father. <sup>28</sup> The man Jeroboam was very able, and when Solomon saw that the young man was industrious he

gave him charge over all the forced labor of the house of Joseph. <sup>29</sup> And at that time, when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him on the road. Now Ahijah had dressed himself in a new garment, and the two of them were alone in the open country. <sup>30</sup> Then Ahijah laid hold of the new garment that was on him, and tore it into twelve pieces. <sup>31</sup> And he said to Jeroboam, “Take for yourself ten pieces, for thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, ‘Behold, I am about to tear the kingdom from the hand of Solomon and will give you ten tribes <sup>32</sup> (but he shall have one tribe, for the sake of my servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem, the city that I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel), <sup>33</sup> because they have forsaken me and worshiped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of Moab, and Milcom the god of the Ammonites, and they

have not walked in my ways, doing what is right in my sight and keeping my statutes and my rules, as David his father did. <sup>34</sup> Nevertheless, I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand, but I will make him ruler all the days of his life, for the sake of David my servant whom I chose, who kept my commandments and my statutes. <sup>35</sup> But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand and will give it to you, ten tribes. <sup>36</sup> Yet to his son I will give one tribe, that David my servant may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen to put my name. <sup>37</sup> And I will take you, and you shall reign over all that your soul desires, and you shall be king over Israel. <sup>38</sup> And if you will listen to all that I command you, and will walk in my ways, and do what is right in my eyes by keeping my statutes

and my commandments, as David my servant did, I will be with you and will build you a sure house, as I built for David, and I will give Israel to you. <sup>39</sup> And I will afflict the offspring of David because of this, but not forever.” <sup>40</sup> Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. But Jeroboam arose and fled into Egypt, to Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

<sup>41</sup> Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the Book of the Acts of Solomon? <sup>42</sup> And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was forty years. <sup>43</sup> And Solomon slept with his fathers and was buried in the city of David his father. And Rehoboam his son reigned in his place.

*1 Kings 11:23–43, ESV*

## Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>11</sup> For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. <sup>12</sup> For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>13</sup> For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. <sup>14</sup> And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. <sup>15</sup> But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, <sup>16</sup> was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; <sup>17</sup> nor did I go

up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

<sup>18</sup> Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days. <sup>19</sup> But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother. <sup>20</sup> (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!) <sup>21</sup> Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. <sup>22</sup> And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. <sup>23</sup> They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." <sup>24</sup> And they glorified God because of me.

*Galatians 1:11–24, ESV*

# Welcome to All Saints Presbyterian Church!

Join us every week here at the Martin Center:

Morning Worship  
Sunday 9<sup>AM</sup>

Evening Worship  
Sunday 6<sup>PM</sup>

Prayer Meeting  
Wednesday 6:30<sup>PM</sup>

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