

THE LORD'S DAY

MORNING WORSHIP

DECEMBER 25, 2022 • 11:00 AM

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

~ John 1:1-4, 14

- ▶ PRELUDE..... *Christmas Joy Medley*, by Gary Lanier
Heidi Hooper (flute), Buddy Kelly (trumpet)
- ▶ WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- ▶ *CALL TO WORSHIP - John 1:1-4, 14 (Pew Bible pp. 886)



► *1ST HYMN OF PRAISE..... *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* (Hymnal #203)

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King;
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righ - teous - ness!

peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
 Late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty,
 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die,

with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
 born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.

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 Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King."



▶ *2ND HYMN OF PRAISE..... *Good Christian Men, Rejoice* (Hymnal #207)

1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 3. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!



▶ *THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

▶ *THE CONFESSION OF FAITH - The Word Made Flesh

We confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new.

Truly God, He became truly man, two natures in one person. He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us.

Crucified, dead, and buried, He rose on the third day, ascended to heaven, and will come again in glory and judgment.

For us, He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God's wrath. He took our filthy rags and gave us His righteous robe.

He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things. Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever.

Amen.

▶ CHILDREN'S MESSAGE..... Elder Dwight Thomas

▶ THE PASTORAL PRAYER

▶ THE LORD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS



▶ *THE HYMN OF PREPARATION *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*
 (Children Kindergarten-1st Grades will remain in the sanctuary. No children's church this morning.)

1. In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For His bed a cat-tle stall;
 2. Flocks were sleep - ing, Shep-herds keep - ing Vig - il till the morn-ing new

Ox - en low - ing, Lit - tle know - ing Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all.
 Saw the glo - ry, Heard the sto - ry, Tid - ings of a gos-pel true.

Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, No - els ring - ing, tid-ings bring-ing:
 Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, Prais-es voic - ing greet the mor-row:

Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all! Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all!
 Christ, the Babe, was born for you! Christ, the Babe, was born for you!



▶ *THE SCRIPTURE READING..... Luke 2:8-20 (Pew Bible pp. 857)

▶ THE SERMON Angels We Have Heard on High, Rev. Danny Myers

▶ *THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *Joy to the World*

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

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

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.

heav'n and na - ture sing,

Chords: G, D, A7, D, G, A, D, G, A, D, D/A, A7, and D, G





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*We are truly grateful to the Lord God for his many blessings in 2022
and look forward to His blessing and provision for 2023.*

Please continue to join us as we...



KNOW
And Worship
The Triune God



GROW
In the Covenant
Family of God
as Reformed
Disciples



SHOW
Forth the Love of
Christ as Servants
& Witnesses

