

Treasure Coast Presbyterian Church  
Online Worship Guide  
Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**Song of Gathering**

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739, 1753; alt.; Music: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1840; Arr. By William H. Cummings, 1856; CCLI #1222898

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King: peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all you nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies; with th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

**Refrain: Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King."**

Christ, by highest heav'n adored Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail th'incarnate Deity Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. **(Refrain)**

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.

(Refrain)

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Advent Reading**

Isaiah 9:2-7

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 147:1-5

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Songs of Praise**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Words: Walter Chambers Smith (1867); Music: Traditional Welsh hymn melody

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

*God Rest You Merry Gentlemen*

Words and Music: 18<sup>th</sup> century English Carol

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay, remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day, to save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;

Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came; and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same: how that in Bethlehem was born the son of God by name. (Refrain)

"Fear not, then," said the angel, "let nothing you affright; this day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright, to free all those who trust in him from Satan's pow'r and might." (Refrain)

**Confession of Sin**

Most Merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

Colossians 1:11-14

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## Confession of Faith

*Q. Christian, what do you confess?*

A. We confess our faith in Jesus Christ, Son of God, the Word with God, by whom all things were created and for whom all things exist. The Word became flesh, born of Mary, descended from David, declared to be the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead. He was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, and taken up in glory. Although he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor that we might become rich. He was made sin for us in order that we might become the righteousness of God in him. Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all, will he not also in Christ, freely give us all things? Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift!

## Pastoral Prayer

### Worship through Giving

### *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Words: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, tr. By John Mason Neale Music: Plainsong, 12<sup>th</sup> Cent., Arr. By R. Edenfield Public Domain

Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be, He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he, Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see. Evermore and evermore! Evermore and evermore!

O that birth forever bless-ed, when the Virgin, full of grace by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race; And the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face Evermore and evermore! Evermore and evermore!

This is he whom heav'n-taught singers sang of old with one accord, Whom the Scriptures of the prophets promised in their faithful word; Now he shines, the long-expected; let creation praise its Lord Evermore and evermore! Evermore and evermore!

**Doxology:** Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be, Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory Evermore and evermore! Evermore and evermore!

### Song of Preparation

### *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted*

Words: Thomas Kelly, 1804; alt. 1961; Music: Geistliche Volkslieder, Paderborn, 1850

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see Him dying on the tree! 'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he! 'Tis the long expected Prophet, David's son, yet David's Lord; By his Son God now has spoken: 'tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, you who hear him groaning, was there ever grief like his? Friends thro' fear his cause disowning, foes insulting his distress; Many hands were raised to wound him, none would interpose to save; But the deepest stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Justice gave.

You who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate. Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load; 'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost: Christ the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast. Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt! None shall ever be confounded.

## Scripture Reading

Romans 4:13-25

**Sermon:** Child of Promise

“God Reveals His Power”  
Pastor Rob Edenfield

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**Song of Response**

*Hallelujah, What a Savior*

(Advent Version) music by Philip Bliss words by Philip Bliss, Aaron Ivey, Halim Suh, Matt Carter © 2012 Austin Stone Music (ASCAP)

Shining star in heaven so bright Lowly tend their flocks by night  
Could this be our faith now sight? Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Gift of gifts in manger laid Hope of men no more delayed  
God the Just, his love displayed Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Eternal Word made flesh was he The promise prophets longed to see  
Jesus Christ, our mystery Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Now the church his praises bring Blood bought bride and matchless king  
Heav'n and earth now join to sing: Hallelujah, what a Savior!

**Benediction**