

THE SERVICE of Worship

December 27, 2020
First Sunday after Christmas
10:30 A.M.



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON
established 1870

Responding to God's love and grace, we WORSHIP with joy, NURTURE with faith, and SERVE others with love.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“What Child Is This”
Edwin Walker, Organist

Carlton R Young

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Adapted from Sudie Niesen Thompson

Hope has come—

awakening us to new possibilities.

Peace has come—

inviting us to be agents of reconciliation.

Joy has come—

turning our hearts from fear to wonder.

Love has come—

transforming our lives, transforming our world.

We have come—

amazed and humbled by God's grace, to worship the newborn king!

Let us worship, and let the story of Christ's birth
fall fresh upon our ears and our hearts this day.

A, B, C, D, E...

The Quilici Family

CAROL | “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Glory to God 121

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the king, and peace to all on earth.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us; abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

F, G...

The Healy-Niewenhuis Family

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king.
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful all ye nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king!”

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come, offspring of the virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate deity,
pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king!”

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king!”

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN: H, I, J...

Pastor David & Pastor Rosy

CAROL | “Joy to the World”

Glory to God 134

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

K, L, M...

The Britton Family

CAROL | “Away In A Manger”

Glory to God 115

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

N...

The Camp Family

CAROL | "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Glory to God 133

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels!
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

True God from true God, Light from light eternal,
born of a virgin, a mortal he comes; very God, begotten, not created!
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation; sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

O...

The Long Family

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Musette on *Adeste Fideles*"
Edwin Walker, Organist

Jeanne Demessieux

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *and* CONFESSION:

**God of Grace and God of Glory, we thank you for sending your Son to love us.
We offer these gifts and our lives to you. We thank you for the greatest gift of all-
the gift of your son Jesus Christ, who came to earth as a sign of your love for us.
We are sorry for the times when we have hurt others: when we have not done
the things you would want us to do, when we have not followed your rules.
We ask for you to forgive us and help us to be more like you every day.
Give us your peace and remind us of your love each day. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS & PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

P...

P is for Peace.

Peace be with you.

We are a forgiven people.

God loves us so much that God sent Jesus to the world to show God's love. Jesus is the Prince of Peace, and is the source of the kind of peace that is bigger than we can understand. God gives us this kind of peace when we say sorry for what we have done wrong.

We are forgiven. We are loved more than we can ever imagine.

We are at peace. Alleluia! Amen.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us share signs of Christ's peace with one another.

Q, R, S, T, U, V...

The Houpt Family

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *and* LORD'S PRAYER

W, X, Y, Z...

The Latham Family

CAROL | "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Glory to God 136

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. (Refrain)

The shepherds feared and trembled
when lo! above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. (Refrain)

Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"A Joyous Christmas"
Edwin Walker, Organist

John Leavitt

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