

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas  
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December 27 2020  
10:30 AM  
Zion Lutheran Church, Priddy TX  
Pastor Mark Schimmel

*He has clothed me  
with the garments  
of salvation;  
he has covered me  
with the robe  
of righteousness.*

ISAIAH 61:10

## Gathering

*God calls and gathers believers through the Holy Spirit, and in this worship service we hear the Word of God and respond as His people in prayer and praise. We begin our service sharing the news of the congregation and then join in reflection to prepare for worship. The invocation (2 Corinthians 13) calls God to be present with us. In the Kyrie, we greet our Lord and ask for his mercy and then join in a hymn of praise and thanksgiving. Finally, we offer a prayer of the day to mark the time of the year and other special concerns of the church.*

## Greeting & Announcements

### CONFESSION OF SIN

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**C: Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. The Almighty and merciful God grant unto you, that are penitent, pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

## What Child Is This

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.

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!

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

### *Kyrie*



▲ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ■ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

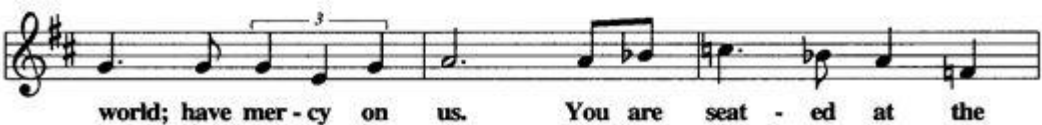
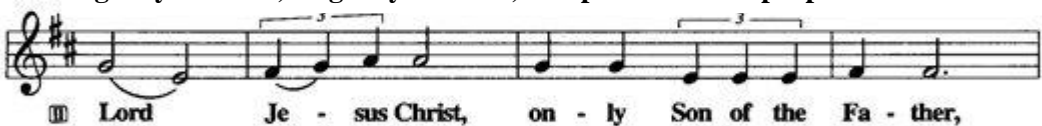
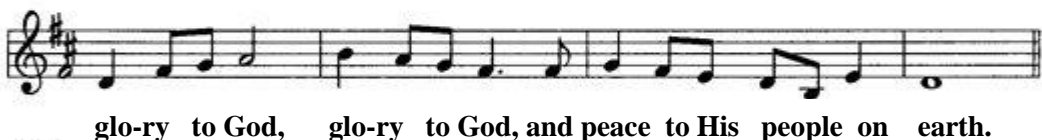
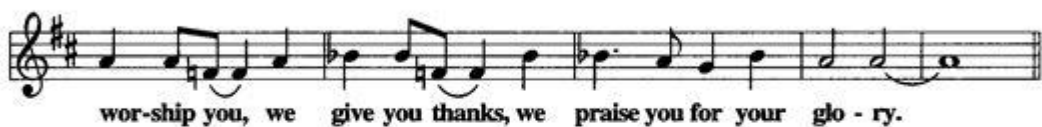
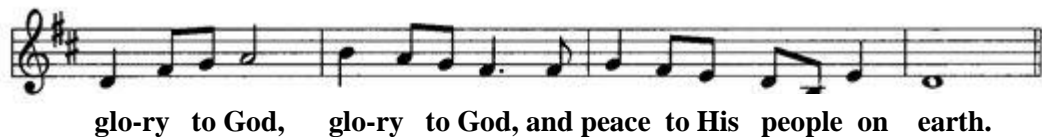
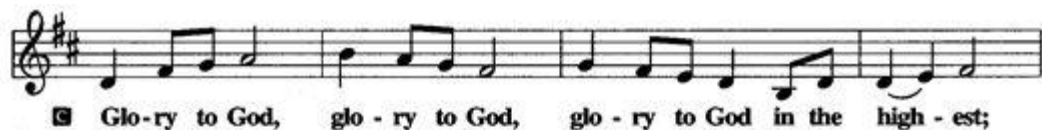


▲ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: ■ Christ, have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:



▲ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ■ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

### *Hymn of Praise*





☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to His people on earth.



☐ For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



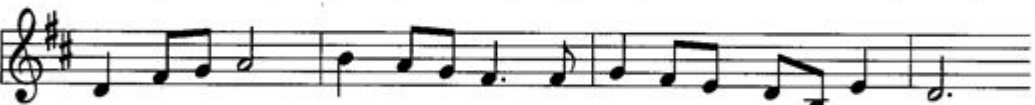
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature and be born of the Virgin Mary. Grant that we, having been redeemed and made your children by grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

### **Isaiah 61:10-62:3**

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. <sup>11</sup>For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

P: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

### **Psalm 111**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are the deeds of the Lord! They are studied by all who delight in them.**



<sup>3</sup>His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant forever; holy and awesome is his Name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures forever.**

### **Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

P: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

## *Gospel Verse*



The Gospel according to Luke, the second chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

## **Luke 2:22-40**

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, {Joseph and Mary} brought {Jesus} up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, <sup>29</sup>“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation <sup>31</sup>that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.” <sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall

and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup>(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.” <sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup>And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The Sermon*

# I Wonder As I Wander

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The musical score is arranged in four systems, each consisting of a vocal melody line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. Chords are indicated above the vocal line and below the bass line.

**System 1:**

- Chords: Gm, Cm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, D<sup>7</sup>
- Lyrics:
 

1 I won - der as I wan - der, out un - der the sky, how  
 2 When Mar - y birthed . . . Je - sus, all in a cow's stall, came  
 3 If Je - sus had . . . want - ed for an - y wee thing, a  
 4 I won - der as I wan - der, out un - der the sky, how

**System 2:**

- Chords: Gm, Cm, D<sup>7</sup>, Gm, Gm, Cm
- Lyrics:
 

Je - sus the Sav - ior did come for to die for poor ord'-n'ry peo - ple like  
 wise men and farm - ers and shep - herds and all, and high from the heav - ens a  
 star in the sky or a bird on the wing, or all of God's an - gels in  
 Je - sus the Sav - ior did come for to die for poor ord'-n'ry peo - ple like

**System 3:**

- Chords: Gm<sup>7</sup>, G<sup>7</sup>, Gm, Cm<sup>9</sup>, Gm, Cm
- Lyrics:
 

you and like I. I won - der as I wan - der, out un - der the sky.  
 star's light did fall; the prom - ise of the a - ges it then did re - call.  
 heav'n for to sing, he sure - ly could have had it, 'cause he was the king.  
 you and like I. I won - der as I wan - der, out un - der the sky.

**System 4:**

- Chords: Gm, Cm, Gm, Cm
- Lyrics: (Continuation of the previous system)

### *Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen

### *The Prayers*

P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

### *Exhortation*

## The Lord's Supper

### The Preface (*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*)

P: Oh, may the good Lord be with you.

**C: And may the Lord be with you too.**

P: Lift your hearts to Him in praise.

**C: To the Lord our hearts we raise.**

P: Let us offer praises true.

**C: It is fitting so to do:**

**Gratefully we sing**

**To the Lord, our King!**

Pastor:

Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto you, Almighty God, eternal Lord, merciful Father! Long ago, you made us in your image; and though we shattered it, in your mercy you sent your Son to restore your image in us. Having suffered for us and died our death, he lives and reigns at your right hand. And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn ...

### The Sanctus (*Angels We Have Heard on High*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of hosts, all praise be given!

All your glory fills the earth,

All your power fills the heavens!

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Blessed is the King who came,

Bringing love and life divine!

Blessed is the King who comes

In the bread and in the wine!

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

## Words of Institution

### **The Lord's Prayer** (*Hark! The Herald Angels*)

God our Father, God of fame,  
Hallow'd be your saving name;  
Everywhere your kingdom come,  
Far away and here at home;  
May we to your will comply  
As the angels do on high;  
Grant each day our daily bread,  
Thankful that by you we're fed,  
Thankful that our care you've planned;  
All we have is from your hand.

Grant that we, our sins forgiv'n,  
Follow in the way of heav'n;  
May we, even at our worst,  
Show forgiveness shown us first.  
Guard us from the tempting devil,  
And deliver us from evil,  
Yours the kingdom, so sing we,  
Pow'r and glory ever be  
Unto you while ages run.  
Yea, amen! So be it done!

### **The Agnus Dei** (*Once in Royal David's City*)

Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer,  
Mercy to your people give.  
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer,  
May we in your mercy live.  
Lamb of God, we all implore:  
Grant us peace forevermore.

## Distribution of the Lord's Supper

**Communion Policy:** We believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine. All the baptized who understand they are sinners in need of forgiveness and who believe, as Christ's words clearly state, "This *is* my body", "this *is* my blood", and understand that Christ offered himself as a sacrifice for sin *once for all* – as his words say; "*for you*, for the forgiveness of sin" – are welcome to the Lord's Table.

**Those who have not yet received instruction are welcome to receive a blessing.**

We will be collecting your tithes and offerings during the distribution of communion.

### The Nunc Dimittis (*Away in a Manger*)

Lord, now in your mercy your servants release  
As your Word has promised. Oh, grant us your peace.  
Our eyes your salvation and mercy behold,  
Prepared for the nations, as prophets foretold.

A Light to the Gentiles, by whom they now see  
The glory of Isr'el, the Promised One he  
Who lives now and ever, the heaven's bright Son,  
With Father and Spirit eternally one.

### Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this your salutary gift; and we ask you in your mercy to strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ; your dear Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

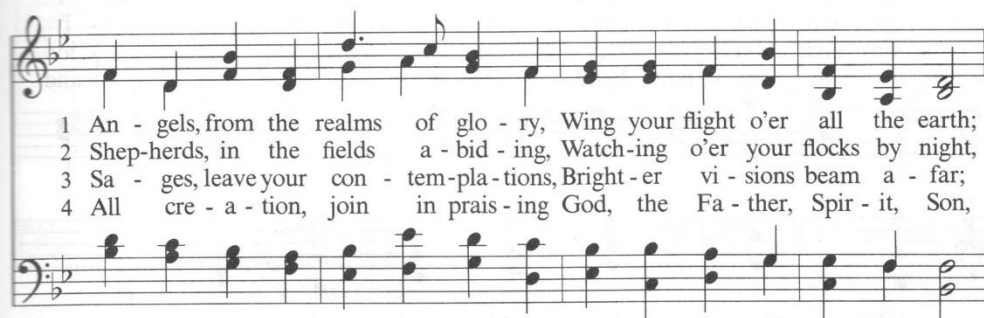


**The Benediction** (*O Little Town of Bethlehem*)

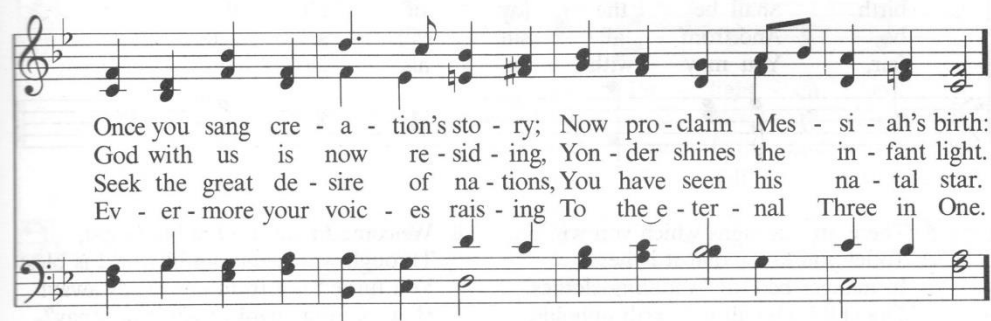
*Pastor:* Now may the good Lord bless and keep,  
His love in you increase;  
Lift up His face with shining grace,  
And grant eternal peace.  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
Eternal One-in-Three.  
Be thanks and praise through all our days  
And to eternity!

# Angels, from the Realms of Glory

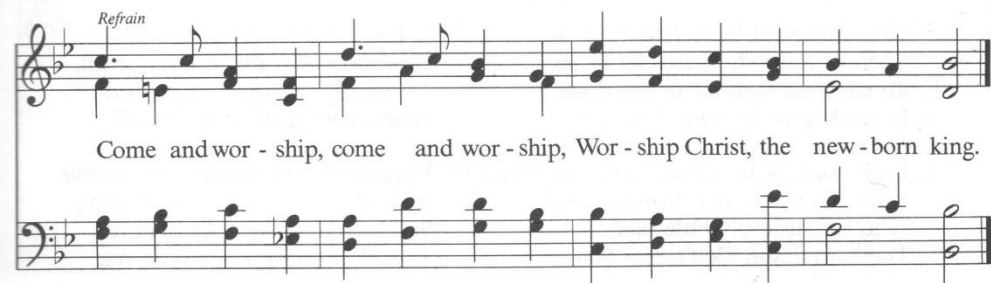
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1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;  
4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,



Once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry; Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
God with us is now re - sid - ing, Yon - der shines the in - fant light.  
Seek the great de - sire of na - tions, You have seen his na - tal star.  
Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing To the e - ter - nal Three in One.



*Refrain*  
Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born king.

Dismissal

**Prayer Concerns:**

Ruby Schuman, JJ Schwarz, Melvin Eilers, Jr., Earnest Scherp, Christian Doll,  
Troy Mauldin, Harold Kreuger, Stephanie Krueger Hamann, Christy Wells,  
Ruth Schwartz, Debbie Tiemann, Travis Tiemann, Neil Muxworthy,  
Ruth Heitman, Craig Smith, Ann Kunze, Fred Hartley, Melanie Bartek,  
Harriet Fischer, Gina Garcia, Jennifer Heubner, Marci Kirscht,  
Ruth Wossilus, Nell Helmcamp Ethel Schoen, Marilyn Weaver,  
Gladys Struempler, Julia Pax, Victor & Elnora Limmer