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Second Week of Christmas

GATHERING

PRELUDE

The Shepherds at the Manger

Franz List, arr by E. Power Biggs

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT

Paula Burky, Outreach

OPENING HYMN

Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her king;
2. Joy to the earth, the Sa - vior reigns! Let all their songs em - ploy,
3. He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the na - tions prove

let ev' - ry heart pre - pare him room and heav'n and na - ture sing,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains re - peat the soun ding joy,
the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness and won - ders of his love,

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
re - peat the soun ding joy, re - peat, re - peat the soun ding joy.
and won - ders of his love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

ture sing, and heav'n and na-ture sing,

GREETING

Good Christian friends, rejoice!
From realms of glory, angels sing.
From fields, keeping their watch by night, shepherds arrive.
Bearing gifts, wise people travel from afar.
And we too have come to the manger to see the newborn King.

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

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive

4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here

tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

Re-joyce! Re-joyce!

and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

5 O come, O Key of David, come,
and open wide our heav'nly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Refrain

6 O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;
O Sun of justice, now draw near
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Away in a Manger

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Will Johnson

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:7 - 14

The reading is from the book of Jeremiah.

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

God comes to us in the word.

God comes to us where we are.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1: 7 - 14

The reading is from the book of Ephesians.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.

“Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!”

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.
Music: French folk tune, 17th cent.

PICARDY
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The Gospel according to John, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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 came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



HYMN OF THE DAY

O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O come ye, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, sing, all ye
3. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py mor - ning; Je - sus, to

come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him, born the king of an - gels:
ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove! Glo - ry to God in the high - est:
thee be glo - ry giv'n! Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system contains three verses of the hymn. The second system continues the lyrics with a bridge. The third system concludes the hymn with a final verse.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Response

Hear us O God,

Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

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OFFERING MUSIC

Star Carol

Soli Dei & CCLC Orchestra

John Rutter (from Christmas Festival of Music 2019)

Sing this night, for a boy is born in Bethlehem,
Christ our Lord in a lowly manger lies;
Bring your gifts, come and worship at his cradle,
Hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary!

See his star shining bright
In the sky this Christmas night!
Follow me joyfully;
Hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary!

Angels bright, come from heaven's highest glory,
Bear the news with its message of good cheer:
"Sing, rejoice, for a King is come to save us,
Hurry to Bethlehem to see the son of Mary!"

See, he lies in his mother's tender keeping;
Jesus Christ in her loving arms asleep.
Shepherds poor, come to worship and adore him,
Offer their humble gifts before the son of Mary.

Let us all pay our homage at the manger,
Sing his praise on this joyful Christmas Night;
Christ is come, bringing promise of salvation;
Hurry to Bethlehem and see the son of Mary!

Words and music by John Rutter

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God,
you came to us as one unknown,
bringing joy and salvation to the earth.
Nourish us at your banquet table,
that with all who welcome your birth we may proclaim your peace,
revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn;

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
lives now in - side us for - ev - er.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of six lines of music. The first line begins with a '1' indicating the first ending. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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Music: Marty Haugen
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REJOICE, REJOICE
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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome at Jesus' table. He gives of himself in the bread and wine, and invites us to receive it for the forgiveness of sin. We invite you to share in your homes the sacrament of the Lord's table.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those
Who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen**

WORDS OF DISTRIBUTION

Give to one another the bread, "Body of Christ given for you."
Give to one another the wine, "Blood of Christ shed for you."

COMMUNION MUSIC

Unto Us a Child is Born

arr. Gordon Young

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ bless you and keep you always in God's grace.

Amen.

PRAYER

Emmanuel, God with us,
you grace us with life and breath
and give us bread for the journey.
Send us out in service to this world that you love,
telling the amazing news of your coming
as the Savior and Lord of all.

Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

Almighty God,
who sent the Holy Spirit to Mary,
proclaimed joy through the angels,
sent the shepherds with good news,
and led the magi by a star,
bless you this day ✠ through the Word made flesh.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child

Proclaim
African American Traditional (from CFOM 2014)

Jesus, Jesus, oh, what a wonderful child.
Jesus, Jesus, so holy, meek, and mild;
new life, new hope the child will bring.
Listen to the angels sing:
"Glory, glory, glory," to the new born king!

Text: African American traditional, alt.

Dismissal

Christ is born!
Go Tell it on the Mountain and everywhere.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

While By My Sheep

Gordon Young

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