



ORDER OF WORSHIP | DECEMBER 14, 2025

*Indicates times when those who are able may stand.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS: George Taylor | Amy Taylor | Anslee Taylor | McKinley Taylor

MUSIC FOR GATHERING | Playlist by Tech Team

CALL TO WORSHIP | Shawn Sullivan

***OPENING SONG** | "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

***WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED** | McKinley Taylor

People of Starkville GMC: In whom do you trust and in whom do you believe?

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.*

*The third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from which He shall come to judge the quick 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.*

***GLORIA PATRI**

TIME FOR CHILDREN | Genny Prewitt

COMMUNITY NEWS & GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS | Amy Taylor

SONG OF PRAISE | “In the Bleak Midwinter”

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD | Matthew 3:1-10 | Anslee Taylor

In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was:² “Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near.”³ The prophet Isaiah was speaking about John when he said: “He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord’s coming! Clear the road for him!’”

⁴ John’s clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁵ People from Jerusalem and from all of Judea and all over the Jordan Valley went out to see and hear John. ⁶ And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River.

⁷ But when (John) saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming to watch him baptize, he denounced them. “You brood of snakes!” he exclaimed. “Who warned you to flee the coming wrath? ⁸ Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. ⁹ Don’t just say to each other, ‘We’re safe, for we are descendants of Abraham.’ That means nothing, for I tell you, God can create children of Abraham from these very stones. ¹⁰ Even now the ax of God’s judgment is poised, ready to sever the roots of the trees. Yes, every tree that does not produce good fruit will be chopped down and thrown into the fire.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

WE SEEK GOD IN PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER | Anslee Taylor

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & PRAYER OF THANKS | George Taylor

OFFERTORY | “All Is Well” | Soloist – Genny Prewitt

SERIES | *Dreaming God’s Dream*

***THE SPOKEN WORD** | “Peace and Joy”

TEXT | Luke 1:39-55

³⁹ A few days later Mary hurried to the hill country of Judea, to the town ⁴⁰ where Zechariah lived. She entered the house and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ At the sound of Mary's greeting, Elizabeth's child leaped within her, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

⁴² Elizabeth gave a glad cry and exclaimed to Mary: "God has blessed you above all women, and your child is blessed. ⁴³ Why am I so honored, that the mother of my Lord should visit me? ⁴⁴ When I heard your greeting, the baby in my womb jumped for joy. ⁴⁵ You are blessed because you believed that the Lord would do what he said."

⁴⁶ Mary responded: "Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. ⁴⁷ How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! ⁴⁸ For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed. ⁴⁹ For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me.

⁵⁰ He shows mercy from generation to generation to all who fear him. ⁵¹ His mighty arm has done tremendous things! He has scattered the proud and haughty ones. ⁵² He has brought down princes from their thrones and exalted the humble. ⁵³ He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away with empty hands.

⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel and remembered to be merciful. ⁵⁵ For he made this promise to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children forever."

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***CLOSING SONG & THE INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS** | "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

***SENDING FORTH** | Bob Rambo

Members of our Prayer Ministry Team will be at the rear of the church for a few moments, and are available to pray with you and for you.

***MUSIC FOR DEPARTING** | Playlist from Tech Team



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Sermon Title

Today's Date

Sermon Notes

Key Verses

Key Takeaways