

1st Sunday after Christmas

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

HYMN VU 43 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Call to Worship

Praise the God of mercy and love.

Praise God with angels in the highest heavens.

Praise Christ, who came as a child.

Praise Christ with all God's children.

Praise the Holy Spirit, who calls us here.

Praise the Spirit from the depths of our souls.

HYMN VU 36 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Opening Prayer

This bright season is for mystery, O God. We scarcely understand the ways you break into this world and into our lives. Yet we embrace that you do. The whole earth still yearns for your peace. May the ancient story of your arrival this holiday cause us to be courageous bearers of good news. May we shine a light of Christ that originates in our heart and soul.

For the sake of your beautiful, created world we pray. Amen.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SERVICE OF THE WORD TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Christ is born, glorify Him! Christ on earth, be exalted! Sing to the Lord all the whole earth; let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad, for Him who is eternal and entered time. Emmanuel, God is here with us and we rejoice today.

Psalms 148 VU 871

Reflection Message – Rev. Naumann

Prayers of the People

HYMN VU 38 *Angels We Have Heard on High*

A Christmas Prayer VU39 – *in unison*

Generous God, you gave your only begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and be born of your chosen one, Mary. Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit and through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Invitation to the Offering

The Mystery of God's glory shines around us this Christmas. Like shepherds of old, let us respond with good news. With the psalmist, let us bring offerings of our lives and resources. May the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice.

DOXOLOGY VU 55 *In the Bleak Midwinter, verse 4*

Offering Dedication

Generous God, thank you for the gift of Christ Jesus in our lives and throughout the world. Thank you for the gifts we receive, and we return to you with honour. Bless these gifts and offerings that they may support Christ's loving presence in our community.

HYMN VU 59 *Joy to the World*

COMMISSIONING AND SENDING FORTH

Go forth, bearing the good news of Christ. May all who hear it reveal this good news in their lives, and may we be amazed at the transformation of this community of faith.

Benediction:

As We Leave this Quiet Place

Nancy Price, Don Besig

"As we leave this quiet place, the light of Christ will guide us.
As we share His truth and grace, our Lord will walk beside us.
May the peace of God be with us as we live and serve in faith.
May the love of Christ within us show in all we do and say. Amen,
Amen."

Postlude





Leading Worship:

Rev. Lisa Naumann

Music Director

Craig Garnham

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Thank you!

Philip & Rev. Lisa for preparing the coffee
Philip Armstrong for running the slides, recording & audio

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VU 43 – Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain

*Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere.*

*Go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.*

- 1 While shepherds kept their watching
 o'er silent flocks by night,
 behold, throughout the heavens
 there shone a holy light. R
- 2 The shepherds feared and trembled
 when lo, above the earth
 rang out the angel chorus
 that hailed our Saviour's birth! R
- 3 Down in a lonely manger
 the humble Christ was born,
 and God sent our salvation
 that blessed Christmas morn. R

VU 36 – Angels from the Realms of Glory

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- 1 Angels, from the realms of glory,
 wing your flight o'er all the earth;
 ye who sang creation's story,
 now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Refrain

*come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn King.*

- 2 Shepherds in the field abiding,
 watching o'er your flocks by night,
 God with us is now residing,
 yonder shines the infant Light: R
- 3 Sages, leave your contemplations;
 brighter visions beam afar;
 seek the great desire of nations;
 ye have seen his natal star: R

4 Saints before the altar bending,
 watching long in hope and fear,
 suddenly the Lord, descending,
 in his temple shall appear: R

VU 871 – Psalm 148

Refrain – Let the whole creation cry, “Glory be to God on high.”

Praise God from the heavens; give praise in the heights!

Give praise, all you angels; praise God, all you hosts!

Praise God, sun and moon; give praise, stars and lights!

**Praise God, farthest heavens,
and all waters beyond heaven! R**

Let all things praise the Holy One at whose command they were created,
who established them for all time, setting bounds, which cannot be passed.

**Praise God from the earth,
great sea creatures and ocean depths,
lightning and hail, snow and frost,
gales that obey God's decree,**

all mountains and hills, all fruit trees and cedars,
wild animals and cattle, creatures winged and earth-bound,

**sovereigns who rule earth and its people,
all who govern and judge this world,
young men and women alike,
old people and children together! R**

Let all things praise the name of God,
the name above every other,
whose splendour covers heaven and earth.

**You give strength to your people,
songs of praise to your faithful,
to Israel, the people dear to your heart. R**

VU 39 – A Christmas Prayer

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VU 38 – Angels We Have Heard on High

- 1 Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply,
echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

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- 2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song? R
- 3 Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King. R
- 4 See him in a manger laid,
whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while our hearts in love we raise. R

VU 59 – Joy to the World

- 1 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.
- 2 Joy to the earth! the Saviour 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.
- 3 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.
- 4 He rules the earth 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.

Hymns