

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

JANUARY 2, 2022



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PRELUDE

In Dulci Jubilo
Christopher Uehlein

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

we confess our sin before you.

We replace compassion with competition.

We seek what is mighty while ignoring the meek.

We are quick to anger but slow to forgive.

We have not put on love in harmony with you.

Wrap us in the grace of your powerful Word.

Swaddle our hearts with your peace,

that all we do, in word or deed,

may reflect your love born among us.

Amen.

I bring you good news of great joy for all people:

God has come among us in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord.

✙ In Christ your sins are forgiven and you are clothed in peace.

Amen

OPENING HYMN

O Come all Ye Faithful

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:7-14

PSALM

Psalms 147:12-20

12 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem;
praise your God, O Zion,

**13 who has strengthened the bars of your gates
and has blessed your children within you.**

14 God has established peace on your borders
and satisfies you with the finest wheat.

**15 God sends out a command to the earth,
a word that runs very swiftly.**

16 God gives snow like wool,
scattering frost like ashes.

**17 God scatters hail like bread crumbs.
Who can stand against God's cold?**

18 The Lord sends forth the word and melts them;
the wind blows, and the waters flow.

**19 God declares the word to Jacob,
statutes and judgments to Israel.**

20 The Lord has not done so to any other nation;
they do not know God's judgments. Hallelujah!

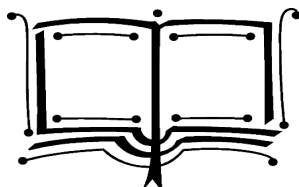
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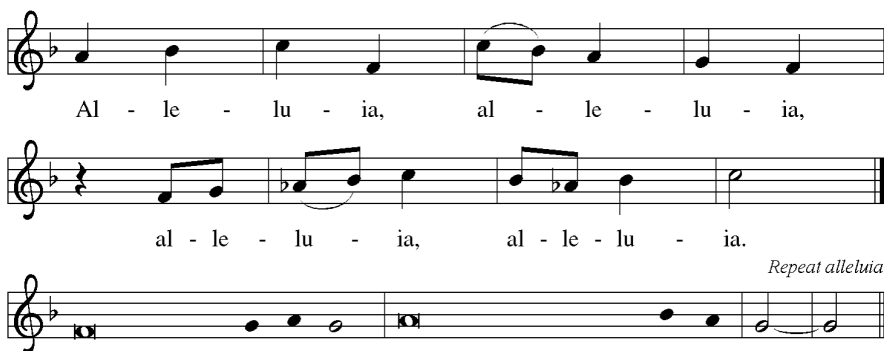
Ephesians:1:3-14

GOSPEL

John 1:1-18

SERMON





**All the ends of the earth I have seen the victory * of our God
(Ps.98:3)**

Prayers of Intercession

Joining our voices with the heavenly host and Christians throughout time and space, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

You make yourself known in the gift of language in diverse forms. Draw our attention to those who communicate through sign, braille, and technology. Make your church a place where all methods of communication are celebrated. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You journey with us through change. Guide those assuming new roles in this congregation or making transitions in their families, workplaces, or communities (*especially*). As the seasons and the calendar change, equip us for unexpected challenges. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks for all who modeled lives of loving service (*especially Wilhelm Loeh, whom we commemorate today*). Lead us in your grace until, with all your saints, we enter the fullness of your glory. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us, we commend these prayers to you, confident of your grace and love made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Still, Still, Still
James Mansfield

CHOIR ANTHEM ELW 293

That Boy Child of Mary
Tom Colvin/Malawi Traditional

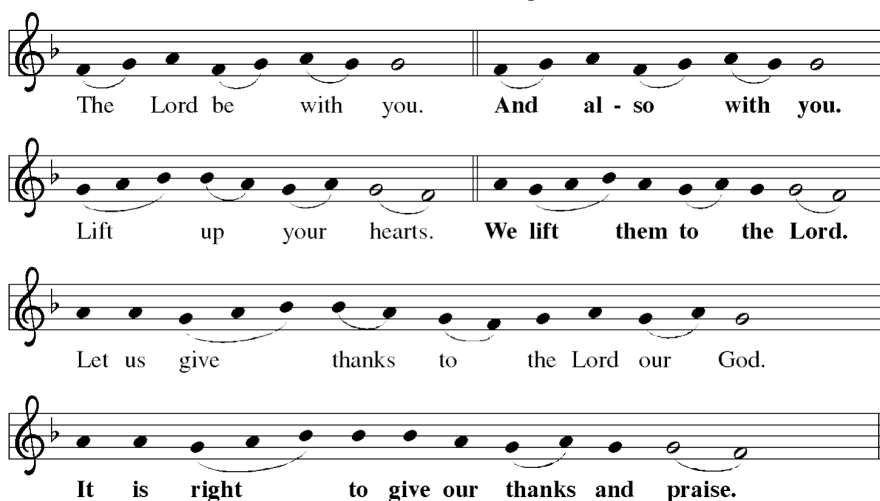
The congregation will join the choir in singing the REFRAIN ONLY.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. . . .

Gracious God,
your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth.
As we offer ourselves and these your gifts,
prepare us to receive the grace and truth
you offer at this table
and renew in us the song of your salvation,
in Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

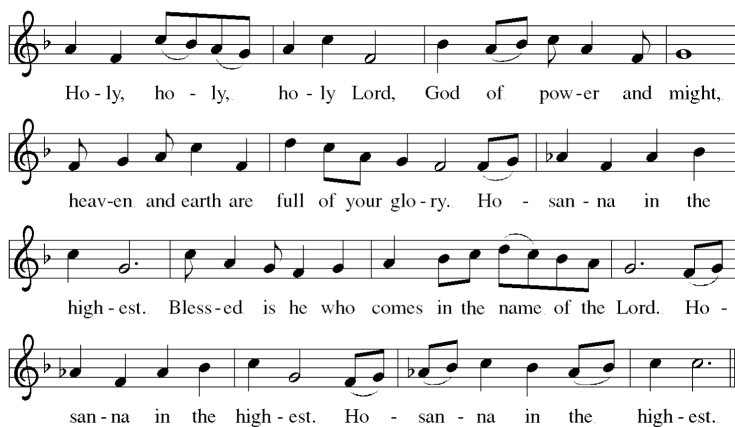
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.
In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened
the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vis - ion of your glo - ry,
that be - holding the God made vis - i - ble,
we may be drawn to love the God whom we can - not see.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

COMMUNION

TABLE BLESSING

SONG AFTER COMMUNION



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus,
God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine.
As we have shared this feast of love,
strengthen us to share your love with all the world.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Let All Together Praise Our God ELW 287

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ our Savior.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
Robert Hughes

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

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Sunday 8:45 a.m.

Faith Formation/Christian Education

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion

Wednesday - 11:00 a.m.

Holy Communion with Rite of Healing (Chapel)

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