

December 26, 2021

1st Sunday of Christmas

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**All may stand as able*

Liturgist: Lynda McLean

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Lynda McLean

Prelude

Gesu Bambino

Pietro Yon
arr. Fred Bock

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining
stars!

People: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above
the heavens!

Leader: Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all
deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling
his command!

People: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of
the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young
together!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone
is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

All: **He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his
faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the LORD!**

*** CAROL 133**

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTES FIDELES

INVOCATION (Unison)

Ernie Haynes

Father, we are gathered today in wonder and awe.

Your Son is born. Emmanuel, with us.

He has come to show us the way.

Help us to know that it is we who are the lost ones.

Strengthen our hearts and grant us the courage

To be and do Your will in all things. Amen

CONFESSING TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**God of wonder, you surround us with signs of your glory and
surprise us with your presence, yet we often miss the marvels
you place before us.**

**Make us alert to the ways you make yourself known, that we
might be witnesses to your good news and extravagant love;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Christ has heard our confessions.

People: In faith, we claim his assurance

Leader: That, in our confession we are forgiven

People: And in our forgiveness, we are set free of sin.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glorify be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lynda McLean

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-17

INSTRUMENTAL ANTHEM *Sons of the Angels*

Robert J. Hughes

“Angels from the Realms of Glory” “The First Nowell”

“O Come, All Ye Faithful” Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

GOSPEL READING

Luke 2: 41-52

SERMON

*“When Looking for Jesus
in All the Wrong Places”*

Ernie Haynes

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

*** AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed**

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he
descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God
the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

O Sanctissima

arr. Diane Bish

Sicilian Melody

*** THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Ernie Haynes

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING CAROL 119 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* MENDELSSOHN

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Ernie Haynes

* Postlude *Unto Us a Child Is Born* arr. Albin Whitworth
Traditional English Melody

Note from our bookkeeper concerning 2021 contributions

Donors must *deliver* checks on or by 12/31/2021 to claim a charitable contribution deduction for 2021. Checks that are placed in the church offering during the first worship service in 2022 *will not qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2021*, even if the check is predated to 2021 or was written in 2021. However, checks that are written, mailed, *and postmarked* in 2021 will be deductible in 2021 even though they are not received by a church until 2022.

Prayer Concerns

for our church family . . .

George McLean	Margaret Linville	Wayne Thomas
Wayne Hughins	Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie
Nellie Songer	Al Greenberg	Edward Giddens
Vernon Clark	Laura Reichert	Jon Scholl
Carol Brown	Kay Prevatt	Vicki Cunningham

for our extended family . . .

Mary Hammett	Debra Jackson	Cheryl Kelley
Julie Hough	Uwe Bach	Ed Vermeulen
David Ross	Charles Taylor	Robert Wilkerson
Lisa Kraye Smith	Joyce Williams	Stephen Hogger
Sonia Burrage	Shelley Hiatt	Heather Hawkins
Jill Meo	Cecile Floyd	Gary Mercer
Greg Mercer	Eleanor Garner	Louis Scholl
Hester Avila		

grieving the loss of loved ones . . .

the family of Ethel Morris-Caffee
the family of Janice Scholl
the family of Cindy Bayliss

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are welcomed, cared for, and supported;
have the opportunity to grow spiritually;
and serve God and others in meaningful ways.**