

"If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." – John 8:31

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 5, 2024 – Second Sunday of Christmas

(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in **boldface**.)

PRELUDE

"Let All Things Now Living"

Traditional Welsh Melody

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please take a brief moment to greet those around you)

## CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY

#### INTROIT

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER (adapted from Jeremiah 31:7-14)

Sing aloud with gladness and raise shouts of joy.

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 does 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.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of life and light, you love us with the love that existed before the foundation of the world. But we confess how we fail to return that love. We are prideful and stubborn. We lack compassion and patience. While you sacrifice everything for us, we sacrifice very little for you. Have mercy upon us, Lord. Shine your light of your grace into the shadows of our hearts. Reveal your fullness to us, so that we may understand the truth of your love.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONG. RESPONSE: #132 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (v. 3)

Good Christian friends rejoice, with heart and soul and voice; Now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save. Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 2:41-52

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

ANTHEM [11:00]

"Come See"

Ruth Elaine

Come see the star that is shining so bright; Flooding the earth with it's glorious light!

Spreading the message far and near, "Jesus, our Emmanuel, is here!"

Come see, come see Jesus. Come, see, come, see the Lord.

Shepherds and Kings bow to greet Him. Jesus, the Savior, is born. Come, see!

Come, see the sky that is still all aglow; Angels sang to the shepherds below.

"Peace on earth, good will to men! The Savior is sleeping in Bethlehem."

Come, see the stall where the cattle are fed; There he sleeps on a manger bed.

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

# SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 1:1-18

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Collision Course"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

What do we 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 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.

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Thanksgiving

May the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

#### **OFFERING**

\*Response: Hymn #143 "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (v.4)

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son.

Evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One:

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ the newborn king!

\*Prayer of Dedication

## \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

#### **POSTLUDE**

Ushers: Erskine Blount & Elizabeth Lewis

Greeters: Brenda & Don Lewis

Servers: Erskine Blount, Elizabeth Lewis & Helen Odum

Liturgist: Marvin Stackhouse Acolyte: Steven Vattimo

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