



The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
Therefore pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out
laborers into His harvest" Luke 10:2

Christmas Sunday,
December 25, 2016

Welcome!

For God's glory and by His grace, Harvest Fellowship exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ who are progressively growing in their love of God, their love of people, and their commitment to help others grow as disciples.

If you are visiting with us today, we would love to have a record of your attendance. Please fill in the 'Welcome' card and place it in the offering plate.

“Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:10b-11

Call to Worship

Angels from the Realms Of Glory

All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son;
Evermore your voices raising
to th'eternal Three in One:

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

Trinity Hymnal # 218

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Words and Music by John F Wade

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

**O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God in the highest;

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning:
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing;

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Advent Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Lighting of Advent candles

Good Christian Men Rejoice/Rejoice

Words and Music by Aaron Shust

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Give ye heed to what we say
Jesus Christ is born today
Ox and lamb before Him bow
He is in the manger now
Christ is born today
Christ is born today

So rejoice, O rejoice
Hallelujah Christ has come
So rejoice, lift your voice
Sing Emmanuel with us
O rejoice

Good Christian men rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye hear of endless bliss
Jesus Christ was born for this
He has opened Heaven's door
And man is blessed forever more
Christ was born for this
Christ was born for this

Good Christian men 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 His everlasting hall
Christ was born to save
Christ was born to save

Light of the Stable

Words and music by Steve and Elizabeth Rhymer

Hail, hail to the newborn King
Let our voices sing Him our praises
Hail, hail to the guiding Light
That brought us tonight to our Savior

Halle, hallelujah
Halle, hallelujah
Halle, hallelujah
Halle, hallelujah

Come now, let it shine so bright
To the knowing Light of the stable

Kneel close to the Child so dear
Cast aside your fear and be thankful

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Collection of Tithes & Offerings

"On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside, as he may prosper." 1 Corinthians 16:2

Children's Story and Song:

- *Song of the Stars* by Sally Lloyd Jones
- *Away in a Manger*

Reading of God's Word

Luke 2:8-14

Christmas Message

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
Pastor Rich Good

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Words by Charles Wesley, music by Felix Mendelssohn

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

**Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."**

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

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Joy to the World! The Lord is Come

Words by Isaac Watts, Music by Lowell Mason

Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

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.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love.

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Benediction

SERMON TEXT

Isaiah 52:7-10 (ESV)

⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

⁸ The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

⁹ Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰ The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Luke 2:8-14 (ESV)

⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”