

# Welcome to Worship

at

## Grace

Presbyterian Church PCA

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

**HARK! THE HEARLD ANGELS SING**      Trinity Hymnal #203

**MEDITATION**      from Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!  
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my  
heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the  
sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself  
where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of  
hosts, my King and my God. How blessed are those who  
dwell in your house, ever singing your praise; O Lord God  
of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Behold  
our shield, O God; O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who  
trusts in you!

**INVOCATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**COMFORT, COMFORT YE MY PEOPLE**

by Johannes Olearius, Catherine Winkworth, adapted by Joseph Beck

Comfort, comfort ye my people,  
Speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
Comfort those who sit in darkness,  
Mourning 'neath their sorrow's load  
Speak ye to Jerusalem of the peace that waits for them;  
Tell her that her sins I cover,  
And her war has reached its end

Yea, her sins our God will pardon,  
Blotting out each dark misdeed;  
All that well deserved His anger  
He no more will see or heed  
She hath suffered many a day,  
Now her griefs have passed away;  
God will change her pining sadness  
To the joy of endless grace

For the herald's voice is crying  
In the desert far and near,  
Bidding all men to repentance,  
Since the kingdom now is here  
O that warning cry obey!  
Now prepare for God a way;  
Let the valleys rise to meet Him,  
And the hills bow down in praise

Make ye straight what long was crooked,  
Make the rougher places plain;  
Let your hearts be true and humble,  
As befits His holy reign,

For the glory of the Lord  
Now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
And all flesh shall see the token,  
The Word of our Mighty God (Repeat)

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ADVENT CANDLELIGHTING**      Peace

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

**Most merciful God, we confess to You that we are by  
nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against  
You in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward  
transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires  
which we are unable to understand, but are all known to  
You. For this reason, we flee for refuge to Your infinite**

**mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, through our  
Lord Jesus Christ. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so  
that we can delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to  
the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**      John 14:23

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the  
world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be  
troubled, neither let them be afraid."

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**GLORIA PATRI**      Hymn #735

**DEACON'S OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**LIGHT OF THE WORLD (SING HALLELUJAH)**

by Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, and Scott Cash  
2020 Bay19, Capitol CMG Genesis, Capitol CMG Paragon, We The  
Kingdom ASCAP Designee, and We The Kingdom Music

Light of the world, treasure of heaven,  
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky;  
Joy of the Father, reach through the darkness,  
Shine across the earth, send the shadows to flight.

Light of the world from the beginning,  
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love;  
From great heights of glory, You saw my story,  
God, You entered in and became one of us.

**CHORUS**

Sing hallelujah!  
Sing hallelujah!  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done!  
Come and adore Him,  
Bow down before Him.  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the world.

Light of the world, crown in a manger,  
Born for the cross to suffer, to save;  
High King of heaven, death is the poorer,  
We are the richer by the price that He paid.

CHORUS

Sing hallelujah!  
Sing hallelujah!  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done!  
Come and adore Him,  
Bow down before Him.  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the world.

Light of the world soon will be coming,  
With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own;  
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory,  
And there He shall reign forevermore, forevermore,  
forevermore! (Chorus)

Light of the world,  
Light of the world,  
Light of the world,  
Light of the world.

WHAT CHILD IS THIS? Hymn #213

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SERMON TE Jerry Straight  
“The Lamb of God Represented”  
Exodus 25-30

APOSTLES’ CREED Hymnal page #845

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and

was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

LORD’S SUPPER Bread is gluten-free

THOU WHO WAST RICH BEYOND ALL SPLENDOUR  
Hymn #230

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal, inside cover

Our Father which 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

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JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

CHILDREN’S CLASSES  
PRE-K & K – ROOM 101  
1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADES – ROOM 105  
3<sup>RD</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADES – ROOM 102  
MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL – ROOM 104

ADULT CLASSES  
‘GENESIS’ – ROOM 108  
WOMEN’S CLASS ‘EZEKIEL’ – ROOM 111  
NEW CLASS “THE REFORMATION” -  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

WELCOME

If you’re new to Grace, we are thankful you are here to worship with us! Please complete a **Welcome Card** or a **Prayer Request Card** from the back of the pew and place it in the offering basket or hand it to the pastor.

Check your inbox for the weekly church email, “**This Week at Grace**” or visit the church website ‘**Events**’ & ‘**Groups**’.

Upcoming church events and church family prayer requests are available on a colored flyer in the Narthex.

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