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WELCOME TO ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 27, 2015

10:00 AM

*You are invited to use Scripture for reflection
or the following prayer as you prepare your hearts for worship.*

*And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of
the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and
over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on
and forever. Isaiah 9:6-7*

PRELUDE

“Christmas Reflections”
by Sarah Douglas

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign the blue Friendship Pad in the pew near the center aisle.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE READING

UNISON PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 28 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

When Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary, he became like us in all things but sin.
May we who have been reborn in him be free from our sinful ways.
Let us confess our sin to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of love, all year long we pursue power and money, yet you come to us in weakness.
All season long we covet great material gifts, when you alone offer what is lasting.
Through the work of this Lord Jesus, who comes among us full of grace and truth,
forgive us, heal us, correct us. Then open our lips, that we may sing your praise
with the angels, and remake our lives, that we may witness to your transforming love.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: To all who received him, to those who believed in his name,
 he gave the right to become children of God.
 Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!!

*RESPONSE OF THANKS No. 23 (refrain)

Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Joy to the World” Alicia Gutierrez & Heather Heere

*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.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE 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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” Alicia Gutierrez & Heather Heere

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 2:1-20
(Page 958 in the pew Bible)

SERMON “The Shepherds Went Back to Work” Dr. Dirk Lesnett

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT No. 29 “Go Tell It on the Mountain”

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Refrain:
Go, tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain,
That Jesus Christ is born.

POSTLUDE “Today in Bethlehem”
 by Rick Parks