



**MADISON  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

# Madison Presbyterian Church

December 27, 2020 — 10:00 A.M.

## 1st Sunday of Christmas

### GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

#### PRELUDE

In Dulci Jubilo

Bach

#### WELCOME

#### INVOCATION

L: All Mighty God, thank you for the beauty of this season of Christmas. We're grateful for all the joy and peace it brings even in the circumstances which now exist.

**R: Lord, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we ask you to continue to walk with us in the days that lie ahead. Lead us, and make the times of our lives your time. Bless us with your presence, and guide us by your Holy Spirit so that this new year will reflect to others all the love you have given to us through your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### HYMN

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

(See text following.)

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 148

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens!

**R: Let everyone praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created. Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars were created by the Lord.**

L: Kings of the earth, young men and women alike, old and young  
together were created by the Lord.

**R: Let them all praise the name of the Lord.**

L: The name of the Lord is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven. The Lord has raised up a horn for his people, a Savior for all his faithful.

**R: Let us worship and praise the Lord!**

## THE CALL TO CONFESSION

L: Our relationship with God will flourish when we freely and honestly confess all the facets of our lives—not only our hopes and our fears but also our sins and our thanksgivings. Allow your love for God to grow through honest prayer.

## THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Gracious God, we're grateful that your wondrous love took the form  
of a little babe,

**R: because, most of the time, we fail to love. It's hard for us to love those close to us without using or manipulating them. We forget that, with you, love means acceptance first.**

(A moment of silence is observed.)

L: Lord, we do not love ourselves properly.

**R: Our inability to love may reflect our failure to accept the riches of your love. Your love and power transform death into life. Help us accept and emulate such love. We pray for the sake of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.**

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: In Jesus Christ, God forgives us and grants us mercy and grace. Believe the Good News of the Gospel. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

**R: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE** Galations 4:4-7 (See text following.)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**R: Thanks be to God.**

**THE MESSAGE** Being Adopted

## **RESPONDING IN FAITH**

### **Installation and Ordination of Deacons/Ruling Elders/Trustee**

Deacons: Crystal Bayne, Laurie Dorsey, Paul Torres

Elders: Marlene Bateman, Shari Vaughn, Don Wiest

Trustee: Ron Bateman

### **\*DOXOLOGY**

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(using "debts" and "debtors")* 35

**\*HYMN** Angels, from the Realms of Glory (See text following.)

### **\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** In Dulci Jubilo Bach

Liturgist—Shari Vaughn

Many thanks to the Rev. Don Summerfield of the Scottsburg Presbyterian Church for presiding over the ordinations this morning.

### **Go, Tell It on the Mountain**

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,  
behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

## **Galatians 4:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

### **Angels, from the Realms of Glory**

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
you, who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
come and worship, come and worship,  
worship Christ, the new-born king!



**THE POINSETTIAS DECORATING THE  
SANCTUARY HAVE BEEN GIVEN  
TO THE GLORY OF GOD**



by Larry and Valecia Crisafulli

- ◆ in memory of Roy and Virginia Ingle
- ◆ in memory of Charles and Rosalie Crisafulli
  - ◆ in memory of Velma Rhea Torbett
  - ◆ in memory of Andrew Lane

by Mary Elizabeth Goldsmith

- ◆ in memory of Gladys and Howard Demaree

by Al and Connie Huntington

- ◆ in memory of Paul, Margaret and Paul D. Geyman
- ◆ in memory of Glenn and Dorothy Huntington

by Joan Knowland and Family

- ◆ in memory of Don Knowland

by Gregg Mayberry

- ◆ in memory of Bill, Jean, Shirley and Eric Mayberry

by Bill and Susan Ohlendorf

- ◆ in memory of Charles and Doris Moss
- ◆ in memory of Bill and Juanita Ohlendorf

by Jonathan Stanley

- ◆ in honor of the members of the Choir
- ◆ in honor of the members of the Bell Choir

by Shari Vaughn

- ◆ in memory of Charles and Freda Lee
- ◆ in memory of Jean Vaughn and Charles Vaughn

## **PRAYER LIST**

**Congregation:** Mark Andreasen, Sharon Auxier, Larry and Valecia Crisafulli, Dennis and Karen Bessenecker, Shannon Glass, Sandy Gold, Mary Louise Grimes, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Joan Knowland, Susan Ohlendorf, Beth Orrill, Desna Ratcliff, Alicia Ricketts, Jennifer Saroka, Ted Skrypak, Staci Torres, Sondie Williams, Greg Zieseemer.

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**Family and Friends:** Mark Ashbrook, Karen Ault, Steve Baker, Michelle Barlow, Michael Busching, James Callahan, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, Marie Cross, Jeff Dagher, Andrew Damm, Angel Dart, Jordan Davis, Phillip Eades, Steve Facemire, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, Milly Harness, Sarah Hull, Curtis Jacobs, Heidi Kendall and family, Joni Lanham, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's twin brother), James Lutes, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Shane Mason, Yolanda Modley, Margie and Frank Moller (Connie Huntington's sister and brother-in-law), Bob Rouse, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Dan Shearer, Laryssa Smith, Jody Sullivan, Trey Taylor, Kenneth Thompson (Harriette Parton's grandson), Rodney Thompson, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant's sister), Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Dawson Whitaker, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Kyle Wilson.

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## **MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar for the Week of December 27**

David Robbins

R. J. and Anne Brown

Dylan and Amelia

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“We are part of the Family of God! As a Christian family, we seek to practice the generous hospitality of Jesus Christ, who welcomes all. As a worshipping family, we seek to enhance and expand our experience of God in worship.

As a family of Christ’s disciples, we seek to grow in our understanding of God’s grace and God’s claim upon our lives. As a mission-oriented family,

we express our faith in action. As an historic Presbyterian family in a contemporary setting, we are rooted and grounded in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as we strive to remain relevant to the needs of our community.

As the joyful children of God, we live in faith, hope and love!”

## THE SESSION

| <u>2020</u>                      | <u>2021</u>                             | <u>2022</u>                     |
|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Don Wiest<br>Christian Education | Natalie Willis<br>Buildings and Grounds | Rick laCour<br>Fellowship       |
| Dianna Terry<br>Fellowship       | Mike Dorsey<br>Personnel                | Jim Bartlett<br>Membership      |
| Shari Vaughn<br>Worship          | Connie Huntington<br>Finance            | Heather Owsley-Smith<br>Mission |

## BOARD OF DEACONS

|               |                |                           |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Crystal Bayne | Ken Brunner    | Amanda Corbin             |
| Don Clapham   | Janet Castor   | Bill Ohlendorf, Moderator |
| Carole Hanson | Gregg Mayberry | Dan Smith                 |

## THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

|                  |               |            |
|------------------|---------------|------------|
| Larry Crisafulli | Al Huntington | Mary Davee |
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**PASTOR**—Sandy Fox

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY**—Jonathan Stanley

**CLERK OF THE SESSION**—Susan Ohlendorf

**YOUTH MINISTRIES DIRECTOR**—Dave Adams

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY**—Shannon Glass

**CO-TREASURERS**—Dan Smith, Sara Stetson

**OFFICE MANAGER**—Jonathan Stanley

**SEXTON**—Natalie Willis