

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

DECEMBER 20, 2020 at 1:00 PM

**W**orship of the Triune God is our most important duty. John 4:23-24 says that God seeks those who worship Him in spirit and truth. As you worship today, purpose to enter fully into the praise offered by singing, in joyful giving of tithes and offerings, in prayer, and in carefully listening to God speak through the reading and preaching of His Word. May our sovereign Lord receive glory as you actively worship Him.

**Prelude** Mara Walters, Trumpet

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

### Welcome and Announcements

**Introit** Choir

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

*Please use this time to set your hearts on Christ and pray for the Word, our worship, and that holiness and reverence will be known among us.*

**Call to Worship\*** Luke 2:8-14

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 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. 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. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

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

**Hymn of Praise\*** #203

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

### Invocation\*

**Confession of Faith** Isaiah 9:6-7

Q. Believer, what did the Holy Spirit prophecy through Isaiah, and what do we believe concerning the coming of the Christ?

A. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

**Preparation for Confession of Sin** Romans 7:14-15

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

### Confession of Sin

**Assurance of Pardon** Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

**Hymn of Thanks\*** #218

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings** Children's Choir

"Come, Adore the Humble King"

### Prayer of Response

### Scripture Reading\*

Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 12:9-21

**Doxology\*** #731

### Preaching of God's Word

"Behold My Servant... a bruised reed He will not break"

Isaiah 42:1-3

**Hymn of Affirmation\*** #208

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

### Benediction\*

### Postlude\*