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ANGLICAN

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

welcome!

We are a community of believers seeking and sharing life in Christ through ancient-future faith. We consider it a great privilege to worship the Lord with you today. In fact, your presence today is a gift from God. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you feel at home.

CHILDCARE

Childcare is available for children age 2 and under in the nursery, located in the classroom on the right upon entering the lobby.

Children age 3 through 5th grade will be dismissed to Children's Chapel at the beginning of worship service and will return prior to Communion.

WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

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RESOURCES

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We use the NRSV version during our Worship Service.



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WELCOME

Please stand.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader: For unto us a child is born.

People: To us a son is given.

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

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<p>VERSE 1 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</p>	<p>CHORUS O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him O come let us adore Him Christ the Lord</p>
<p>VERSE 3 Yea Lord we greet Thee Born this happy morning Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing</p>	

THE BIDDING PRAYER

Leader: Beloved in Christ, be it this Christmastide our care and delight to hear again the message of the angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger. Therefore let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious redemption brought us by this Holy Child. But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world; for peace on earth and goodwill among all his people; for unity and brotherhood within the Church he came to build, and especially in this area of Lake Norman and in this Diocese of the Carolinas. And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us remember, in his name, the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and them that mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children; all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are for ever one. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: May the almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life, and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of angels bring us all.

People: Amen.

“Once In Royal David's City”

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<p>VERSE 1</p> <p>Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for His bed Mary was that mother mild Jesus Christ her little child</p>	<p>VERSE 2</p> <p>He came down to earth from heaven Who is God and Lord of all And His shelter was a stable And His cradle was a stall With the poor and mean and lowly Lived on earth our Savior holy</p>
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FIRST LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Genesis 3: 8-19 (The Fall).*

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

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<p>VERSE 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand Ponder nothing worldly minded For with blessing in His hand Christ our God To earth descendeth Our full homage to demand</p>	<p>VERSE 2 King of kings yet born of Mary As of old on earth He stood Lord of lords in human vesture In the body and the blood He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food</p>
<p>VERSE 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way As the Light of light descendeth From the realms of endless day That the pow'rs of hell may vanish As the darkness clears away</p>	

SECOND LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Genesis 22: 15-18 (Promise of Deliverer).*

“Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

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<p>VERSE 1 Come Thou long expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in Thee Israel's strength and consolation Hope of all the earth Thou art Dear desire of every nation Joy of every longing heart</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Born Thy people to deliver Born a child and yet a King Born to reign in us forever Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone By Thine all sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne</p>
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THIRD LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Isaiah 9:2-7 (Wonderful Counselor).*

“His Name Is Wonderful”

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<p>VERSE 1 Come see the baby, crib for a bed His mother Mary lay down His sweet head The starlight was shining, the wise men were led Come see the baby and worship Him</p>	<p>CHORUS His name is Wonderful, Counselor Mighty God, Prince of Peace Everlasting Father Emmanuel Holy One, Son of God Savior of the world</p>
<p>VERSE 2 Come and adore Him on bended knee He came to ransom someone like me What could I offer? What could I bring? Come and adore Him King of Kings</p>	<p>BRIDGE And the greatness of His reign will never end Let there be peace on earth And all goodwill to men Come let us worship Him</p>

FOURTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Isaiah 11:1-9 (Branch from Jesse).*

“Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming”

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<p>VERSE 1 Lo how a Rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung Of Jesse's lineage coming As seers of old have sung It came a blossom bright Amid the cold of winter When half-spent was the night</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Isaiah 'twas foretold it The Rose I have in mind With Mary we behold it The Virgin Mother kind To show God's love aright She bore to us a Saviour When half-spent was the night</p>
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FIFTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Luke 1:26-38 (Angel Appears to Mary).*

“He Who Is Mighty”

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<p>VERSE 1 Oh the mercy our God has shown To those who sit in death's shadow The sun on high pierced the night Born was the Cornerstone</p>	<p>MISC 1 Unto us a Son is given Unto us a Child is born</p>
<p>CHORUS He Who is mighty has done a great thing Taken on flesh conquered death's sting Shattered the darkness and lifted our shame Holy is His name</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Oh the freedom our Savior won The yoke of sin has been broken Once a slave now by grace No more condemnation</p>
<p>MISC 2 My soul magnifies the Lord I rejoice in the God Who saves I will trust His unfailing love I will sing His praises all my days</p>	

SIXTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Luke 2:1-7 (Birth of Jesus).*

“What Child Is This”

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<p>VERSE 1 What Child is this who laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping This this is Christ the King Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste haste to bring Him laud The Babe the Son of Mary</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding Good Christian fear for sinners here The silent Word is pleading Nails spear shall pierce Him through The cross be borne for me for you Hail hail the Word made flesh The Babe the Son of Mary</p>
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SEVENTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Luke 2:8-20 (Shepherds' Visit).*

“Hark The Herald Angels Sing”

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<p>VERSE 1 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 hosts proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King</p>	<p>VERSE 2 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 Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King</p>
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EIGHTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from Matthew 2:1-12 (Gifts of the Magi).*

“We Three Kings Of Orient Are”

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<p>VERSE 1 We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain moor and mountain Following yonder star</p>	<p>CHORUS O star of wonder star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light</p>
<p>VERSE 2 Born a King on Bethlehem's plain Gold I bring to crown Him again King forever ceasing never Over us all to reign</p>	

NINTH LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from John 1:1-14 (Word Became Flesh).*

“Who Would Have Dreamed”

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<p>VERSE 1 On a starlit hillside shepherds watched their sheep Slowly David's city drifted off to sleep But to this little town of no great renown The Lord had a promise to keep</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Prophets had foretold it a mighty King would come Long awaited Ruler God's Anointed One But the Sovereign of all looked helpless and small As God gave the world His own Son</p>
<p>CHORUS And who would have dreamed or ever foreseen That we could hold God in our hands Giver of Life is born in the night Revealing God's glorious plan To save the world</p>	<p>VERSE 3 Wondrous gift of heaven the Father sends the Son Planned from time eternal moved by holy love He will carry our curse and death He'll reverse So we can be daughters and sons</p>

PRAYER AND BLESSING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Leader: Let us pray.

O God, who makes us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thy only son, Jesus Christ: Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him, when he shall come to be our judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

People: Amen.

Leader: May he who by his Incarnation, gathered into one, things earthly and heavenly, grant you the fullness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

“Joy To The World”

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VERSE 1 Joy to the world the Lord is come Let earth receive her King Let every heart prepare Him room And heaven and nature sing And heaven and nature sing And heaven and heaven and nature sing	VERSE 2 Joy to the earth the Savior reigns Let men their songs employ While fields and floods Rocks hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy Repeat repeat the sounding joy
VERSE 3 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 Far as the curse is found Far as far as the curse is found	VERSE 4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love And wonders of His love And wonders wonders of His love

BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRIES:

Check out the Good Shepherd website for the latest Men's and Women's ministry events.

FINANCIAL UPDATE NOVEMBER 2023: To inform your giving and your prayers, the vestry invites you to make note of the following financial update. "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

OPERATING BUDGET	INCOME		EXPENSES	
	NOVEMBER	YTD	NOVEMBER	YTD
Plan	\$48,550	\$225,560	\$51,216	\$256,082
Actual	\$36,174	\$209,975	\$48,118	\$220,639
Variance	-\$12,376	-\$15,585	\$3,099	\$35,443