



# CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

## DECEMBER 25, 2022

### GATHERING

**PRAYER FOR MEDITATION:** *On this day, Gracious Lord, you come to us as Word, as light, as flesh. Teach us to know you so well that our lives may befriend this world you have made, in the name of the Holy Trinity: Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### PRELUDE

*Joy to the World*  
Dr. Terry McRoberts

arr. by Held

### WELCOME

*Rev. John White*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Rev. John White*

One: Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning!  
**ALL: Jesus to thee be all glory given!**  
One: Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!  
**ALL: O, come let us adore him!**  
One: *O, come let us adore him!*  
**ALL: O, come let us adore him – Christ, the Lord!**

\*HYMN: 133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (verses 1, 3, 4)

ADESTE FIDELES

### OPENING PRAYER

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

*Kevin + Vivian Pauley*

RESPONSE *(all singing, refrain only Hymn 88)*

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.***

VENI EMMANUEL

### SCRIPTURE

### FIRST READING

***Jeremiah 31:31-34***

\*HYMN: 119 *Hark, the Herald Angels Sing* (verses 1, 3)

MENDELSSOHN

### SECOND READING

***John 3:16-17***

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*  
*Jeff Chambers, soloist*

**LITANY FOR CHRISTMAS**

One: *The Word was made flesh,*  
**ALL: Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
One: *and dwelt among us.*  
**ALL: Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
One: *Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, Light eternal;*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, King of glory, Sun of righteousness, born of the Virgin Mary;*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of souls, perfect in holiness:*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, Friend of all, Protector of the poor, Treasure of the faithful:*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, Good Shepherd, inexhaustible Wisdom, our Way, our Truth, and our Life:*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**  
One: *Jesus, joy of the angels, and crown of all the saints:*  
**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord!**

*(silence)*

One: *Christ is born! Give him glory!*  
*Christ has come down from heaven! Receive him!*  
*Christ is now on earth! Exalt him!*  
*O earth, sing to the Lord!*  
*O you nations, praise him in joy,*  
*for he has been glorified!*  
**ALL: Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

*2 Corinthians 5:17-21*

**\*HYMN: 134** *Joy to the World*

ANTIOCH

*\*Congregation standing, if able*

**OFFERING**

*Rev. John White*

**OFFERTORY**

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

arr. by Page

Dr. Terry McRoberts

\*Doxology (Tune: 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

\*Dedicatory Prayer

*Rev. John White*

**SENDING**

\*HYMN: 136 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

GO TELL IT

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Rev. John White*

*(We request that you remain seated until after the Postlude and ask that you use the Postlude  
as a time to reflect upon the scripture that was read in today's service.)*

**POSTLUDE**

*God Rest You Merry*

arr. by Held

Dr. Terry McRoberts

