# Worship Service First Sunday of Christmas December 26, 2021

We Gather to Worship

Greeters: Bonnie Long Counters: John Sitar

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Praise the Lord! Praise God in the heavens.

All: Praise the Lord from the earth!

One: Young and old alike,

All: men and women together. Praise the Lord!

**Prayer of Confession** 

God of wonder, you surround us with signs of your glory and surprise us with your presence, yet we often miss the marvels you place before us. Forgive our dullness and make us alert o the ways you make yourself known, that we might be witnesses to your good news and proclaim your extravagant love; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

Time for Young Disciples (TC)

Gayle Allen

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 2: 18-20,26

Ministers: All Members of the Church Leadership of Today's Worship Service Alana Hartman

Liturgy for todays worship was drawn from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion ©2015, Westminster John Knox Press Responsive Reading

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

All: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

One: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

All: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

One: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

All: He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

One: Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

All: fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

One: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

All: Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

One: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

All: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

One: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

All: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord!

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

Scripture Reading Luke 2:41-52

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God

Discussion "What Christmas Means" The Congregation

### We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith

Psalm 148

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. and in in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Hymn Good Christian Friends Rejoice #132

Joys and Concerns

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.

We Go Out to Serve

Charge and Benediction

### **Covenant of Prayers**

Joys and prayers for the friends and family of someone who is recently deceased will be printed for one week. Other prayer concerns will run for three weeks unless they are on-going concerns.

Our Members: Vicki Walls; Juanita Shoemaker; Kaye Strawn; Bob & Nancy Allen; Evelyn Baker; Ja'Naye Corbin

**Missionary Support:** Mark Hare (Costa Rica) and Tracey King-Ortega (Central America)

Also: Beverly Taylor, Joy for the birth of Matthew Lee Strawn, Tyler Addis & others serving in the military, fighting fires, and otherwise away from home this holiday season, Mike Corbin, Corinne Mihelic; our schools; Matthew Krams; covid patients & caregivers; the unvaccinated; Morgan Kuykendall; unnamed requests

#### **Announcements**

1. Communion will be January 16th, 2022.

## **Leadership Next Sunday:**

Worship Leaders: Vida Simon (TC) Kim Smith (SL)
Greeters: Don & Paula Cookman

Time for Young Disciples: David Allen Counters: Gayle Allen & Sheri Coleman

# **Scripture Texts for Next Sunday:**

Zephaniah 3:14-20 Isaiah 12:2-6, Matthew 6:25-34, Matthew 7: 24-27

Attendance December 12, 2021: In Person: 26 Online Connections: 8

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- To provide a church home that nurtures faith through prayer, praise, worship, and the study of God's Word.
- To witness for Christ by word and deed to our community and the world for God's glory.

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Lisa Hileman	Donald Cookman
Richard Kizer	Jeannie Hampton
Beth Surface	Margritt Mason
Mary Ann Wimer	Kimberly Smith

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Come In to Be Filled - Go Out to Serve

