

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Sussex Carol"

arr. Alfred V. Fedak

*(Please stand in body or spirit and let us join together in the Call to Worship)*

\*Call to Worship

Christ is born! Give him glory!

**Glory, as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.**

Psalm 148

\*Prayer of Praise and Adoration:

**Glory to you, almighty God, for you sent your only-begotten Son, that we might have new life.**

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for you became flesh and dwelt among us that we might become your people.**

**Glory to you, Holy Spirit, for you direct and rule our lives.**

**Glory to you, almighty God, and to your Son, Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn: "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

GTG # 143

## WE ARE RENEWED IN GRACE

\*Litany for Christmas

The Word was made flesh,

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

And dwelt among us,

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Jesus, the Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, Light eternal:

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus, King of glory, Sun of righteousness, born of the Virgin Mary:

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of souls, perfect in holiness:

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

Congregational Response: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (vs-3)

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;**

**Now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save!**

**Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.**

**Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!**

GTG # 132

## WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination:

**Your light comes into the world as Christ is born. Shine that light in our hearts and minds, so that we may hear and know your gospel, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

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Time for Young Disciples

Laura Sparks

Story: "Barrington Bunny"

Reflection

Rev. David Roquemore

Hymn: "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

GTG # 146

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his 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 on the right hand of 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.**

\*Prayers of the People and 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.**

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory: "Polish Carol" (Infant Holy, Infant Lowly)

Trad. Carol/arr. Sondra K. Tucker (ASCAP)

\*Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

GTG # 606

**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.**

\*Prayer of Dedication:

**Our lives abound with signs of your matchless love, O God. Our days are full because of your mercy. As those long ago journeyed to Bethlehem and felt great joy at what had occurred, so also we come before you, praising your name for what you have made known to us. Accept our tributes to the Christ-child; use them that he may grow in stature among all people. Amen.**

### WE LEAVE TO SERVE

\*Closing Hymn: “Love Has Come”

GTG # 110

\*Benediction

\*Postlude: “He Is Born, The Holy Child”

Trad. French Carol/arr. Cindy Berry

( In the setting of “Psalm 19” by Benedetto Marcello)

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Sunday, December 25th, 2022  
Christmas Day  
10:00 a.m.**



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