January 03, 2021

Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise #223

"Go. Tell It on the Mountain"

Chorus

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. *(Chorus)*

The shepherds feared and trembled when, lo! above the earth Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. (Chorus)

Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born, And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. (Chorus)

*Prayer of Adoration

*Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Doxology

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria in excelsis Deo.

Call to Prayer

"O Little Town Of Bethlehem"

O Holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

Confession of Sin

*Hymn of Pardon #211

"God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay, Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day, To save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;

Chorus

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came; And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same: How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name. *(Chorus)*

"Fear not, then," said the angel, "let nothing you affright;
This day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright,
To free all those who trust in Him from Satan's pow'r and might." (Chorus)

The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind, And left their flocks a-feeding, in tempest, storm, and wind: And went to Bethlehem straightway, the Son of God to find. (Chorus)

Pastoral Prayer (with the Lord's prayer)

Our Father, which 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, for ever. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation #216

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Infant holy, infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall; Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all. Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing: Christ the Babe is Lord of all. Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping: shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow: Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

*Scripture Reading

Esther 4:8-17

Sermon

Seminary Student Will Fagan

*Hymn of Response #439

"Christ Shall Have Dominion"

Christ shall have dominion over land and sea, Earth's remotest regions shall His empire be; They that wilds inhabit shall their worship bring, Kings shall render tribute, nations serve our King.

Chorus

Christ shall have dominion over land and sea, Earth's remotest regions shall His empire be.

When the needy seek Him, He will mercy show; Yea, the weak and helpless shall His pity know; He will surely save them from oppression's might, For their lives are precious in His holy sight. (Chorus)

Ever and forever shall His name endure, Long as suns continue it shall stand secure; And in Him forever all men shall be blest, And all nations hail Him King of Kings confessed. (Chorus)

Unto God Almighty joyful Zion sings; He alone is glorious, doing wondrous things. Evermore, ye people, bless His glorious name, His eternal glory through the earth proclaim. *(Chorus)*

^{*}Benediction

Leading in Worship

Michael Brock, Pastor Hunter Twitty, Assistant Pastor Gordon Craig, Director of Music Amalee Smith, Pianist Anton Ivanov, Seminary Intern

Announcements

Wednesday Night Bible Study: Will begin this week. Anton is teaching through the Ten Commandments every Wednesday at **5:30 p.m.** in room E104/105. If you are unable to attend and would like to be included by "Zoom" please email Jennie@ThirdPCA.org to be added to the list.

Thursday Morning Bible Study: The Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study will resume in January.

Membership at Third: If you are interested in becoming a member of Third Presbyterian Church, please see Pastor Brock about the process. You may email him at Michaelthirdpres@gmail.com

Online Giving: Contributions may be made securely online by going to our website www.thirdpca.org

Sermon Notes

Today at Third $\sim 01/03/21$

9:00 a.m. Morning Worship 10:10 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

This Week at Third $\sim 01/03/21 - 01/09//21$

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday: 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study – E104/105

Birthdays

Wednesday: Charlotte Vines (B)
Thursday: Matthew Williamson (B)
Friday: Madeline Byers (B)
Saturday: Bob Struck (B)

This Month at Third ~ January 2021

	Sanctuary Monitor	Hall Monitor
01/03	John Byers	Ben Riley
01/10	Joe Hall	Tim Wannemuehler
01/17	Hart Byers	Tommy Brannan
01/24	Billy Culp	Bob Stansbury

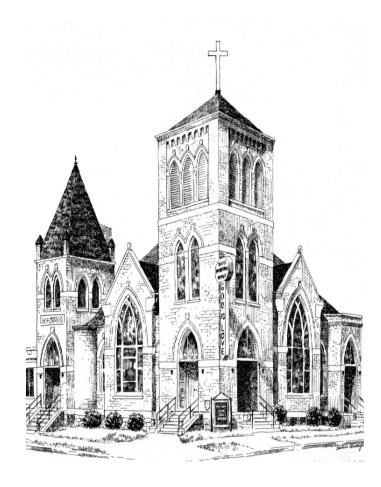
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