



# CHRISTMAS EVE

Second Presbyterian Church · December 24, 2017 · 4:00 p.m.

**Welcome** ..... Josh Yates  
*Pastoral Resident*

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** ..... Chuck, Heather, Hadley,  
Sarah, and Milly Haskins Hunt

## Call to Worship

### ✠ O Come, All Ye Faithful

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!  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation.  
O sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to Thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

### ✠ First Gospel Lesson ..... Luke 2:8-12

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field,  
keeping watch over their flock by night.

**And an angel of the Lord appeared to them,  
and the glory of the Lord shone around them,  
and they were filled with great fear.**

And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold,  
I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.  
For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

**And this will be a sign for you:  
you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes  
and lying in a manger."**

✦ **Angels We Have Heard on High**

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply, echo back there joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem, and see, Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

✦ **Prayer of Adoration**

**Second Gospel Lesson:** Luke 2:13-15 . . . . . Brett Wynne

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host  
praising God and saying,

**“Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”**

When the angels went away from them into heaven,  
the shepherds said to one another,

**“Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened,  
which the Lord has made known to us.”**

**A Word to the Children**

**Away in a Manger**

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay, the Little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.  
The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying He makes;  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.  
Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray;  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

**Children’s Video**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Sermon:** “He Came” John 3:16 . . . . . George Robertson

✦ **Hark, the Herald Angels Sing**

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 host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

*Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”*

Christ, by highest Heav’n adored; Christ the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time, behold Him come, offspring of a virgin’s womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th’incarnate Deity,  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.

Hail the heav’nly Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, ris’n with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die.  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.

✦ **Benediction**

✦ *Indicates standing*