



# **CHRISTMAS DAY**

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

**DECEMBER 25, 2022**

# MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail th'Incarnate Deity.*

- CHARLES WESLEY



## APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation 9:55 a.m.

The Prelude *Puer Natus Est (The Child is Born)* Everitt Titcom  
Michael Huff, trumpet

The Striking of the Hour

† The Call to Worship Isaiah 7:14, 26:3; Luke 2:14 Mr. McRoberts

Minister: Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Behold, the Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His Name *Immanuel*.

People: **You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.**

**ALL: *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased.***

† The Hymn *Angels from the Realms of Glory* (see page 5)

**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.**

† The Prayer of Invocation

† The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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.**

† The Doxology

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**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Christmas Story According to Luke

Luke 2:1-20

*Children ages four through 3rd grade, please join Mr. Mac in front of the stage.*

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 And all went to be registered, each to his own town. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with Child. 6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn Son and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths and laid Him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. 8 And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 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. 10 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. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord. 12 And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 14 "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" 15 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." 16 And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Baby lying in a manger. 17 And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this Child. 18 And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. 19 But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. 20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Morning Prayer

† The Hymn

*Away in a Manger*

(see page 6)

The Trumpet and Organ Offertory *Allegro*, from *Sinfonia in D*

Giuseppe Torelli

The Offering of His Tithes and Our Gifts Beyond the Tithe

## HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Sermon

**PRINCE OF PEACE**

Mr. McRoberts

*From a Wooden Manger to a Wooden Cross*

*For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given;  
and the government shall be upon His shoulder,  
and His Name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

Isaiah 9:6

The Closing Prayer

## FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn *Good Christian Men, Rejoice* (see page 7)

† The Benediction of God's Grace

† The Threefold Amen (*sung by all*)

The Postlude

*Fugue on a Russian Noel*

Reinhold Gliere

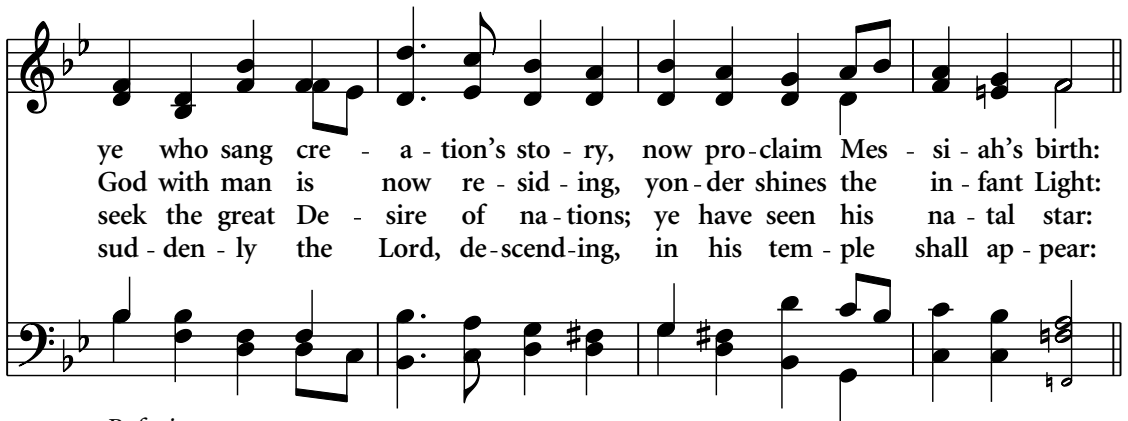
*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory,  
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:14

# Angels, from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
2. Shep - herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,  
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;  
4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in hope and fear,



ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
God with man is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant Light:  
seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:  
sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:

## *Refrain*



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

# Away in a Manger

1. A - way in a man-ger, no crib for a bed, the lit - tle Lord  
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes, but lit - tle Lord  
3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask thee to stay close by me for -

Je - sus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked  
Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes; I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look  
ev - er, and love me, I pray; bless all the dear chil - dren in

down where he lay, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.  
down from the sky, and stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.  
thy ten - der care, and fit us for heav - en, to live with thee there.

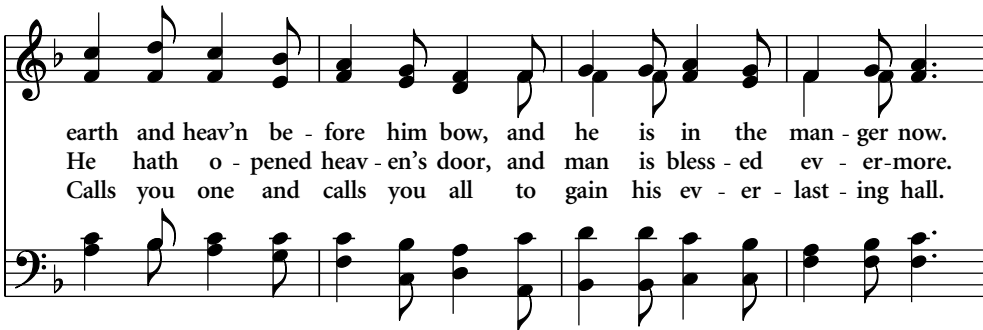
# Good Christian Men, Rejoice



1. Good Chris-tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;  
2. Good Chris-tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;  
3. Good Chris-tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;  
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!  
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!



earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.  
He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.  
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!  
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!