

Peace Presbyterian Church

December 5, 2021

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Prelude: Medley of Today's Hymns - Arr. by Guy Hawker

Call to Worship

One: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me,

All: and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.

One: The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight —

All: indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.

One: Let us worship the Lord!

All: Let us worship the One who is coming!

Hymn CH # 259 - Angels from the Realms of Glory

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy and righteous God, far too often we are a far cry from the holiness you invite us into. And often we fail to live up to your righteous standards for how we are called to live. Refine us with your righteous refiner's fire to remove all our sinful impulses and impurities. Cleanse us with the fullers' soap to make us pure and holy once again. Help us to live in a way that would be pleasing to you, our Lord. (Silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ himself and in his name, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn CH # 251 - It Came upon the Midnight Clear

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Philippians 1:3-11

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12

Third Reading Luke 1:68-79

Sermon *We Need a Little Spirit* Rev. Joseph Medearis

Hymn CH # 287 - A Communion Hymn for Christmas

Call to Give

Prayers of the People

Apostles' Creed

Holy Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Lords Prayer

Prayer after Communion: Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your Eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Charge and Benediction

One: Wherever you go,

All: God is sending us,

One: Wherever you are,

All: God has put us there,

One: God has a purpose in your being there,

All: Christ who dwells in us has something he wants to do through us where we are.

One: Believe This!

All: We go in his grace, love and power

Hymn

CH # 292 - Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne



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CH # 259 - Angels from the Realms of Glory

Verse 1 - Angels from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth; ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Verse 2 - Shepherds in the field abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night; God with us is now residing, yonder shines the infant light. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Verse 3 - Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar; seek the great Desire of nations, ye have seen His natal star. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

CH # 251 - It Came upon the Midnight Clear

Verse 1 - It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth good will to men, from heaven's all gracious King!" The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

Verse 2 - Still through the cloven skies they come with peaceful wings unfurled, and still their heavenly music floats o'er all the weary world; above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing, and ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

Verse 3 - And ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low, who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow. Look now! for glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing; o rest beside the weary road and hear the angels sing.

CH # 287 – A Communion Hymn for Christmas

Verse 1 - Gathered round Your table on this holy eve, viewing Bethlehem's stable we rejoice and grieve. Joy to see You lying in Your manger bed, weep to see You dying in our sinful stead.

Verse 2 - Prince of Glory, gracing Heav'n ere time began, now for us embracing death as Son of Man. By Your birth so lowly, by Your love so true, by Your cross most holy, Lord, we worship You!

Verse 3 - Bethlehem's Incarnation, Calvary's bitter cross, wrought for us salvation by Your pain and loss. Now we fall before You in this holy place; prostrate we adore You, for Your gift of grace.

CH # 292 - Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Verse 1 - Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown when Thou camest to earth for me; but in Bethlehem's home was there found no room for Thy holy nativity. O come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee!

Verse 2 - Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang, proclaiming Thy royal degree; but of lowly birth didst Thou come to earth, and in great humility. O come to my heart Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee!

Verse 3 - The foxes found rest and the birds had their nest in the shade of the forest tree; but Thy couch was the sod, O Thou Son of God, in the deserts of Galilee. O come to my heart Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee!