

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

December 27, 2020 11:00 a.m.

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To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come —

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 1:18; Psalm 32:1

Leader: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

All: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

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Praise Him! Praise Him!

They sang a new song: "You are worthy ... because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God." Rev. 5:9



PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Your son's Holy name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:8,10-12

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

He is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers. Rev. 17:14



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 47, ESV page 673

Judgment on the Philistines

47 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning the Philistines, before Pharaoh struck down Gaza.

² "Thus says the LORD:

Behold, waters are rising out of the north,

and shall become an overflowing torrent;

they shall overflow the land and all that fills it,

the city and those who dwell in it.

Men shall cry out,

and every inhabitant of the land shall wail.

³ At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his stallions, at the rushing of his chariots, at the rumbling of their wheels,

the fathers look not back to their children,

so feeble are their hands,

⁴ because of the day that is coming to destroy all the Philistines,

to cut off from Tyre and Sidon

every helper that remains.

For the LORD is destroying the Philistines,

the remnant of the coastland of Caphtor.

⁵Baldness has come upon Gaza;

Ashkelon has perished.

O remnant of their valley,

how long will you gash yourselves?

⁶ Ah, sword of the LORD!

How long till you are quiet?

Put yourself into your scabbard;

rest and be still!

⁷How can it be quiet

when the LORD has given it a charge?

Against Ashkelon and against the seashore

he has appointed it."

THE CONFESSION 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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

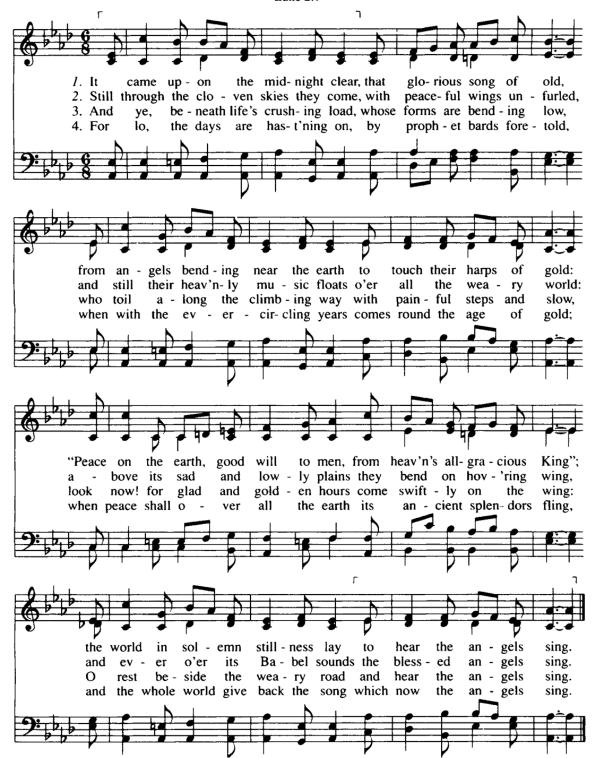
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

* HYMN OF PREPARATION

It Came upon the Midnight Clear

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An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them. Luke 2:9



"The ARP Joyous Anthem: Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah" Psalm 148:1–14, ESV page 526

Praise the Name of the LORD

148 Praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his hosts!

- ³ Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!
- ⁴Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- ⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created.
- ⁶ And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.
- Praise the LORD from the earth,
 you great sea creatures and all deeps,
 fire and hail, snow and mist,
- ⁸ fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word!
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
- ¹⁰ Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!
- ¹¹Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- ¹²Young men and maidens together, old men and children!
- ¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.
- ¹⁴ He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

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Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens, praise him in the heights above.





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* BENEDICTION

* DOXOLOGY

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

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

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^{*} Congregation Standing

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

At this time, we do not plan to collect the offering by passing the plate. These are available in the back of the sanctuary. Online or mail-in giving are still encouraged, but you can drop a check in the plate if that is more convenient.

ONLINE: http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/

MAIL: Please mail tithe checks (no cash) to the treasurer's address. She will immediately deposit to the church's account and forward the Wells Fargo e-mail confirmation to you:

Marilyn Spencer - BPC Treasurer 3020 Shaker Drive Charlotte, NC 28210

THIS SUNDAY AT BPC

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship – In Person and Live Streamed https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship – Live Streamed ONLY

NO In-Person Worship Tonight

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THIS WEEK

Dec. 27 No In-Person EVENING Worship - Live-Stream Only

Dec. 30 No Prayer Meeting or Youth Group

Jan. 1 No Men's Bible Study

SAVE THE DATES

Jan. 14 Women's Bible Study Begins

Jan. 17 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, Special Offering

Jan. 23 Youth Photo Scavenger Hunt

Feb. 14 Deacons' Benevolence Offering

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*Missionary of the Month		

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

11/30/20 YTD	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income	\$285,603	\$310,933	(\$25,330)
Expenses:	\$310,113	\$310,933	(\$820)
Net Income/ (Deficit)	(\$24,510)	\$0	(\$24,510)

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