



## CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2022  
6:00 p.m.

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

### \* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*Revelation 22*

Leader: Surely the Lord is coming soon.

All: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

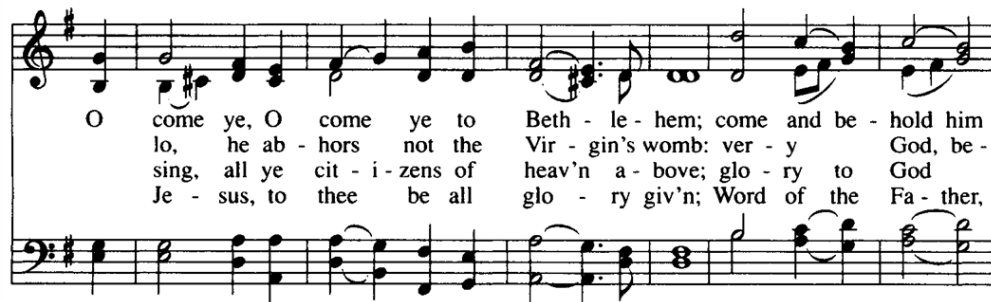
## O Come, All Ye Faithful

*Trinity Hymnal*  
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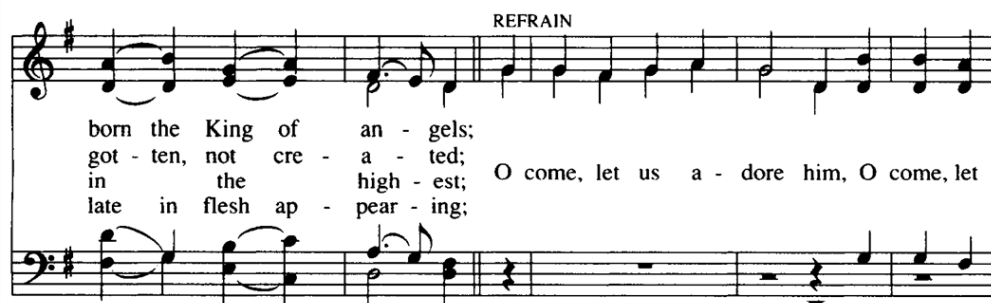
*Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. Luke 2:15*



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,  
2. God of God, Light of Light;  
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:



O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him  
lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -  
sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God  
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,



REFRAIN  
born the King of an - gels;  
got - ten, not cre - a - ted;  
in the high - est; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let  
late in flesh ap - pear - ing;



us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

## 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

*The Book of Common Prayer*

Leader: O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mercy upon us.

**All: O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy upon us.**

Leader: O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful, Have mercy upon us.

**All: O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mercy upon us.**

Leader: Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins.

**All: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us, forever.**

Leader: Spare us, good Lord. From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation, Good Lord, deliver us.

**All: From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity, Good Lord, deliver us.**

Leader: From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil, Good Lord, deliver us.

**All: From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment, Good Lord, deliver us.**

Leader: By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, Good Lord, deliver us.

**All: By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost, Good Lord, deliver us.**

Leader: In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, Good Lord, deliver us.

**All: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.**

Leader: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*Romans 5:1*

Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG**

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

John Mason Neale

*O come, O King of nations, bind  
in one the hearts of all mankind.  
Bid all our sad divisions cease  
and be yourself our King of Peace.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.*

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Luke 2:1-14, ESV page 983

**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.

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

Silent Night

arr. Dan Forrest

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O Little Town of Bethlehem

*Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small ... out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. Mic. 5:2*

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie;  
 2. For Christ is born of Mar - y; and gath - ered all a - bove,  
 3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is giv'n!  
 4. O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

a - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by:  
 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring love.  
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n.  
 cast out our sin and en - ter in; be born in us to - day.

yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;  
 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!  
 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
 And prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.  
 where meek souls will re - ceive him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.  
 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el.

Phillips Brooks, 1868

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Lewis H. Redner, 1868

THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Dr. Mantle Nance

Isaiah 9:1-7, ESV page 573

“Prince of Peace”

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Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

A great company of the heavenly host [was] praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:13, 14

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;  
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!  
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righ - teous - ness!

peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
 Late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.  
 Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty,  
 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die,

with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
 pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.  
 born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.

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Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

## \* BENEDECTION

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\* *Congregation Standing*

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# SERMON NOTES



## TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

**ONLINE:** <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

**MAIL:** Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account:  
Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

## SAVE THE DATES

**Dec. 27** No Wednesday Meetings

**Dec. 31** No Sunday School

**Dec. 31** No Evening Worship

**Jan. 3** No Wednesday Meetings

**Jan. 7** Evening Worship AT BRIGHTMORE, arrive at 5:50 p.m.

**Jan. 21** \*NEW\* Sanctity of Human Life Sunday; Special Offering

## CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

9/30/2023	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$247,960	\$262,922	(\$14,962)
Expenses	\$264,823	\$262,922	(\$1,901)
Net Income/(Deficit)	(\$16,863)	\$0	(\$16,863)

## SESSION

Dr. Mantle Nance	Senior Minister	980-329-8458
Mr. Tim Ball	Missions	803-323-9031
Mr. Kenneth Jackson	Personnel, Discipleship	704-604-0331
Mr. Dennis Kachmarsky	Clerk	704-996-9561
Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

## DIACONATE

Mr. Sam Bullard	Mercy	704-451-1569
Mr. Rob Kelley	Clerk, Building & Grounds	704-907-5474
Mr. Alex Moore	Deacon	828-289-2460
Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200

## STAFF

Miss Aimee Jobe	Pianist	803-389-5395
Dr. Catharine Jackson	Music Coordinator	704-604-0330
Mrs. Christie Kelley	Administration	704-953-1951
Mr. Levi Martin	Intern	540-986-5185
Mr. Jordan Perkins	Intern	970-893-0909
Miss Phoebe Pritchett	Women's Ministry	770-823-2508
Rev. Chuck Sammons	Intern	432-559-8470
Mr. Matt Spear	Treasurer	704-301-0524

## MISSIONARIES AND SUPPORTED MINISTRIES

Scott & Victoria Andes	RUF International - USC	Columbia, SC
John & Mary Ann Baber	RUF - UNCC	Charlotte, NC
Michael and Laura Cochran	World Witness	England
Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	Sully, Wales
Josh & Ashley Grimm	RUF - Queens	Charlotte, NC
*John & Judy Lehner PAK7	Serge for Spain	Charlotte, NC Pakistan
Queen City Pregnancy Resource Ctr.	1505 E. 4 <sup>th</sup> Street	Charlotte, NC
Rob & Rachel Turner	Arsenal Hill Presbyterian	Columbia, SC
Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF - CSU	Ft. Collins, CO
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Ch.	Norman, OK

*\*Missionary of the Month*

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