

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

About the Prelude

The Prelude is a musical offering to help move the hearts and minds of the gathering community from the daily struggles of life to the worship of God.

The Variations by Dupré heard at the end of the prelude and for the postlude are on the 15th Century French Christmas Carol, Noël Nouvelet.

About the Choral Introit

Like "All Things Bright and Beautiful [hymn no. 20], this popular Christmas hymn was written by an Irish poet to illustrate for children the various articles of the Apostles' Creed. It is not known which of several English villages the composer had in mind when naming this tune. TEXT: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848; MUSIC: Henry John Gauntlett, 1849.

PRELUDE

The First Nowell God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

David Willcocks

Prelude on Regent Square The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came Joy to the World

Hal Hopson

A Christmas Prelude for Flute and Organ A Christmas Medley Charles Callahan Sam Levine

Selections from Variations on a Noël

Marcel Dupré

CHORAL INTROIT

Once in Royal David's City

IRBY

Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for His bed. Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all, And His shelter was a stable, And His cradle was a stall. With the poor, oppressed, and lowly, Lived on earth our Savior holy.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Do not be afraid; I bring good news of great joy! Light shines on those who walk in darkness.

A child has been born for us, a son given to us. Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Jesus Christ, born in our midst,
we seek your good news as one people.
In your life and by your birth
we receive your grace appearing,
we experience your salvation nearing,
and we feel your great light dawning.
Draw us deeper into this mystery
in the stillness and silence
of this Christmas Eve. Amen.

The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality in worship of Jesus Christ—the Living Word, and the Bible—the written Word.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 133

ADESTE FIDELES

O Come All Ye Faithful

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

Isaiah 9:2-7 (Old Testament, page 638 in your pew Bible)

Psalm 98

Marty Haugen

Refrain:



All the ends of the earth_have seen_the pow-er of God;



All the ends of the earth_have seen the pow-er of God._

Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done wondrous deeds; God's right hand has won the victory, God's holy arm. *Refrain*.

About Hymn 133

From its Roman Catholic origins, this 18th-century hymn has spread to worldwide use by many denominations in both Latin and vernacular versions. Once popular with a wide range of hymn texts, this tune is now firmly associated with this Christmas text from which it is named. TEXT and MUSIC: John Francis Wade, c. 1743.

The Lord has made salvation known, God's justice revealed to all; Remembering kindness and faithfulness to Israel. *Refrain*.

All of the ends of earth have seen salvation by our God. Joyfully sing out, all you lands, break forth in song. *Refrain*.

Sing to the Lord with harp and song, with trumpet and with horn. Sing in your joy before the king, the king, our Lord. *Refrain*.

Titus 2:11-14 (New Testament, page 215 in your pew Bible)

*GOSPEL PROCESSION

(The congregation stands for the Gospel. The Gospel is read in the midst of the people, symbolic of the Word made flesh and dwelling among us. As the Bible is carried into the Nave, please turn in the direction of the reader, and join in singing:)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

*GOSPEL READING

SERMON

Luke 2:1-20 (New Testament, page 58 in your pew Bible)

(Following the reading of the Gospel, the congregation will sing:)

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

"Well, what do you know!"

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

The Sermon

The sermon, based on the scripture read in worship, proclaims the good news of the risen Lord and presents the gift and calling of the gospel. Through the sermon, we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the gospel to others through our words and deeds.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jesus, the long-expected Savior,
came into the world as a child,
descended from David,
conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of Mary, a virgin.

He lived as a Jew among Jews.
He announced to his people
the coming of God's kingdom of justice
and peace on earth.

We affirm that Jesus was born of a woman as is every child, yet born of God's power as was no other child.

The coming of Jesus was itself the coming of God's promised rule.

Through his birth, life, death and resurrection, he brings about the relationship between God and humanity that God always intended.

(From A Declaration of Faith)

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

Anthem

Sussex Carol

arr. David Willcocks

On Christmas night all Christians sing to hear the news the angels bring, News of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King's birth.

They why should we on earth be sad, Since our Redeemer made us glad, When from our sin he set us free, All for to gain our liberty?

When sin departs before his grace, Then life and health come in its place; Angels and all with joy may sing, All for to see the newborn King.

All out of darkness we have light,
Which made the angels sing this night:
"Glory to God and peace to all,
Now and forevermore. Amen."

Offering

The collection of tithes and offerings takes place as a response to the Word. These actions are signs of our gratitude for the grace of God proclaimed in the gospel.

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*DOXOLOGY MENDELSSOHN

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of the virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the incarnate deity, pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

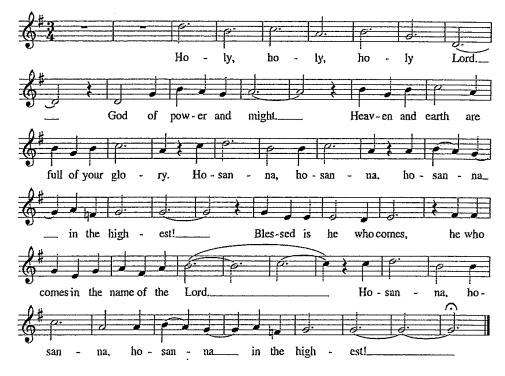
*INVITATION

*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy... and we behold your glory, Emmanuel!

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the celestial choirs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



(The congregation may be seated.)

About the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Following the offering and preparation of the table, the pastor invites worshipers to the Lord's Supper using scripture, leading the people in a prayer to the triune God: giving thanks for God's creative power, providential care, and covenant faithfulness, along with particular blessings of the day; remembering God's acts of salvation through Jesus' birth, life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promised return; calling on the Holy Spirit to draw worshipers into the presence of the risen Lord, nourish them in the body and blood of Christ, unite them with Christ in the communion of saints and Church in every place, and send them in mission to the world. The prayer ends with praise to the triune God.

You are holy, O God of majesty... dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us... in the joy of your eternal realm.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER (Prayed together.)

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(The people will move to Communion stations as directed by the ushers. The celebrant will give each worshiper the bread. The worshiper dips the bread in the cup and partakes. An appropriate response is "Amen" or "Thanks be to God." Please return to the pews, using the side aisles.)

Breaking of the Bread

At the table, in full view of the people, the pastor breaks the bread and pours the cup. The use of one loaf and one cup expresses the unity of the body of Christ and the communal nature of the sacrament.

Music during Communion

Anthems

Wexford Carol

arr. Mark Sedio

Good people all, this Christmastime,
Consider well and bear in mind
What our good God for us has done,
In sending his beloved Son.
With Mary holy we should pray
To God with love this Christmas Day;
In Bethlehem upon that morn
There was a blessed Messiah born.

Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep
Their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep;
To whom God's angels did appear,
Which put the shepherds in great fear.
"Prepare and go," the angels said,
"To Bethlehem, be not afraid;
For there you'll find, this happy morn,
A princely babe, sweet Jesus born."

With thankful heart and joyful mind,
The shepherds went the babe to find,
And as God's angel had foretold,
They did our Savior Christ behold.
Within a manger he was laid,
And by his side the Virgin maid,
Attending on the Lord of Life,
Who came on earth to end all strife;
Who came on earth this Christmas night.

Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella English Carol, arr. Hobby

Bring a torch, Jeannette, Isabella!
Bring a torch, to the cradle run!
It is Jesus, good folk of the village;
Christ is born and Mary's calling;
Ah! ah! beautiful is the mother!
Ah! ah! beautiful is her Son!

It is wrong when the child is sleeping, it is wrong to talk so loud;
Silence, all, as you gather around, lest your noise should waken Jesus.
Hush! hush! see how fast he slumbers;
Hush! hush! see how fast he sleeps.
Softly to the little stable,
Softly for a moment, come;
Look and see how charming is Jesus, his eyelids closing.

Hush! hush! see how the child is sleeping; Hush! hush! see how he smiles in dreams.

Wonderful Peace

Gustav Nordqvist

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Peace, peace, wonderful peace; Peace to the world is given.

Hushed are the angels, so still is the night;

Then in the East shone a heavenly light.

Join in the chorus, His praises sing!

Glory to God, to the newly born King.

Peace, peace, wonderful peace; Peace to the world is given.

Peace, peace, bearer of peace, All of goodwill receive him.
Holiest of nights, O most wond'rous of days;
Shepherds and kings lift their voices in praise.
Join in the chorus, His praises sing!
Glory to God, to the newly born King.
Peace, peace, wonderful peace; Peace to the world is given.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

(The plastic shield that you received with your candle is intended to ensure the safety of the congregation. Slide the shield down the candle for the purpose of lighting the candle. Once lighted, slide the shield up to fully enclose the flame.)

SPREADING THE LIGHT

HYMN Away in a Manger

MUELLER

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay. Wonderful Peace

This beautiful carol is by Swedish composer, organist, and professor, Gustav Nordqvist (1886-1949). He was the organist for the Adolf Fredrik church and a teacher of harmony at the Royal Conservatory of music in Stockholm. The message of this carol is needed more than ever for our present day.

HYMN

In the Bleak Midwinter

CRANHAM

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan; earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain; heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign: in the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed the Lord God incarnate, Jesus Christ.

HYMN

Silent Night, Holy Night

STILLE NACHT

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, 'round you virgin mother and child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugato & Presto on a Noël

Marcel Dupré

Service in the World

Christian worship and service does not end at the conclusion of the Service for the Lord's Day; we go for the to love and serve the Lord in daily living. In so doing, we seek to fulfill our chief end: to glorify and enjoy God forever.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

 $^{*(}Those\ who\ are\ able\ may\ stand.)$

Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler by email at hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526 in the church office.

Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake Pastor and Head of Staff

Liturgist

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Rev. Stephanie Boaz Parish Associate for Congregational Care

Communion Preparation

5:00 PM Maggie Lucy and Alyson Thomas 8:00 PM Suzie and Richard Lane

Lay Liturgists

5:00 PM Bill Christie 8:00 PM Keith Cole

Music

Sam Levine, various instruments Westminster Chamber Choir

Dr. John Semingson Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING

The offerings received tonight will be used to meet unanticipated or emergency situations of need, which from time to time, come to the attention of the pastors, and for which there is no provision in the regular budget. A portion of the proceeds are used for homeless and transient people. Your generosity is appreciated greatly!

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Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional.

Hearing Assistance

We offer personal FM Receivers with an ear-piece, located in the Narthex and in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser. Instructions can be found at each location.

Large Print Hymns

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found in the Narthex at the Sanctuary entrance or in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser.

Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service at a later time, go to www.nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the Worship Service Archive. Click on the service you would like to view.

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Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 AM each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon will be available all week.

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Childcare is available on Sundays from $8:15~\mathrm{AM}$ to $12:00~\mathrm{PM}$.

Nursery - Room 146

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Our Mission

Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

"For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."

(2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

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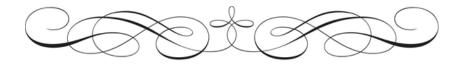
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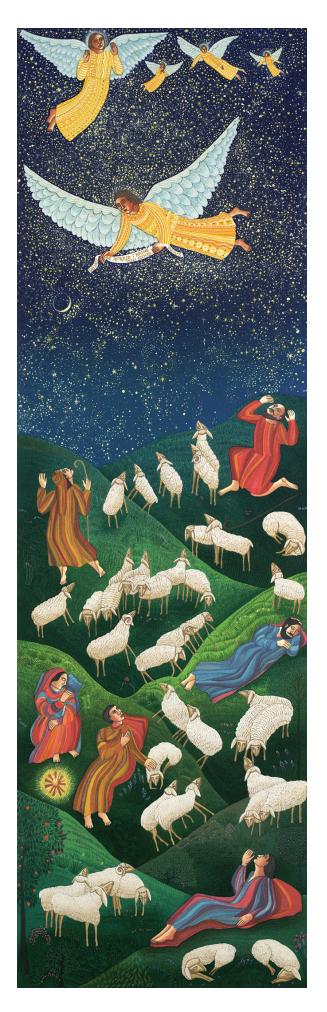
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December 24, 2024 (5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.)





On the cover:

The Shepherds – History of the Image The Shepherds was first drawn by John August Swanson in 1979 as an 8.75" x 5.5" pencil drawing to plan a scratchboard piece. It was later elongated to a 23" x 7" watercolor in 1983. Two years later, it was used in the creation of a 1985 serigraph, printed at Advanced Graphics Studio in London. And, three years after its printing, it became part of the Nativity Triptych in 1988, when Nativity, 1988 and Epiphany, 1988 were printed. The Triptych was further expanded to six artworks with the inclusion of: A Visit, 1995, Flight into Egypt, 2002, and Presentation in the Temple, 2004.

In 2011, Swanson revisited *The Shepherds* and *Nativity* for one of one editions created for Juan Diego Catholic High School in Salt Lake City, UT. A scan was made of the 1985 *Shepherds* serigraph, and a single giclée was printed of the piece. Additional details were hand-painted on top of the print by Swanson for the school, and the Swanson Studio kept a digital record of the artwork.

In 2017, Swanson published a giclée edition of *The Annunciation*, planning to develop giclée editions of *The Shepherds* and *Nativity*, to join it later. The new editions were to be based on the sold-out serigraph editions, and to incorporate the refinements made to the unique giclée prints made for Juan Diego Catholic High.

In March, 2023 work began on the posthumous giclée of *The Shepherds*. This giclée edition has been sized to match the height of *The Annunciation*. It has added soft, warm skin tones and gradations, as well as features additional details in the plants and sky from Swanson's other serigraphs, paintings, and sketches. Work was done directly on the digital record of the Juan Diego print to increase its resolution, to sharpen and refine its details, and to ensure there was no image degradation in the prints. This giclée edition completes Swanson's planned *Giclée Nativity Triptych*, and finished printing after almost seven months on September 29, 2023.



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