



Christmas Day at Christ Our Redeemer
December 25, 2019

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Opening Litany

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: To us a child is born!

C: To us a Son is given!

P: The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

C: We have seen his glory; the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father full of grace and truth!

P: From the fullness of his grace we have received one blessing after another.

C: Oh, come let us adore him!

Congregation Carol – “Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful”

CW 55 Text, Tune, Setting: Public Domain



Oh, come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
God from true God, and Light from Light e - ter - nal,
Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion;
Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing;



Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Beth - le - hem;
Born of a vir - gin, to earth he comes,
Sing, all ye citi - zens of heav'n a - bove.
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n,



Come and be - hold him, Born the King of an - gels.
On - ly be - got - ten Son of God the Fa - ther.
Glo - ry to God, All glo - ry in the high - est.
Word of the Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing.



Oh, come, let us a - dore him, Oh, come, let us a - dore him,



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

Confession and Absolution

P: Let us confess our sins to God, who created us and promised a Savior who would save us from our sins:

**C: Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge,
We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed;
We have not loved you with our whole heart,
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves;
We repent and are sorry for all our sins.
Father forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

P: The Holy One that was born was called the Son of God. He came to deliver us from sin. Hear God's words of grace to you: your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

Carol of Praise

"Let All Together Praise Our God"

CW 41 vv 1-3

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, grant that the birth of your one and only Son in the flesh may set us free from our old bondage under the yoke of sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Word

Isaiah 52:7-10 – Sharing Christmas

⁷ How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" ⁸ Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices; together they shout for joy. When the Lord returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes. ⁹ Burst into songs of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰ The Lord will lay bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God.

Verse of the Day

P: Alleluia. When the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law. Alleluia.

John 1:1-14 – The Christmas Gospel

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God — ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Carol – *“Joy to the World”*

CW 62

Paul's One Sentence Christmas Card

⁴ But when the set time had fully come,
God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,
⁵ to redeem those under the law,
that we might receive adoption to sonship.

Galatians 4:4-5



Confession of Faith – Excerpts from the Athanasian Creed

This section of the creed confesses the truth about Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

P: Now this is the true Christian faith.

C: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

P: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with soul and body equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity.

C: And though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons, but one; not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God.

P: He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead.

C: He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead.

ALL: This is the true Christian faith.

Carol – “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

CW 61

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Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
Hail, the heav'n-ly Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Right-eous - 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 a vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with hea - ling in his wings.



Joy - ful, all you 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 we no more may die,



With th' an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Im - man - u - el!
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.



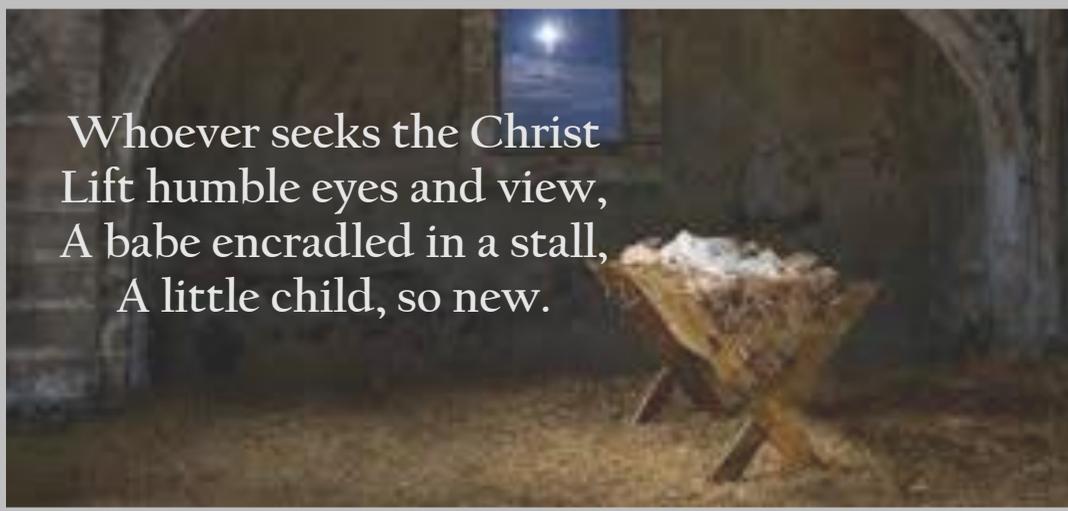
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Offering

Musical Selection – COR Choir

“Whoever Seeks the Christ”

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Whoever seeks the Christ
Lift humble eyes and view,
A babe encradled in a stall,
A little child, so new.

Exhortation

P: When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another,

C: “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

P: So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

C: When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

P: But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

C: The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Blessing

Closing Carol – “*Infant Lowly, Infant Holy*”

CH 279 Text: Traditional Polish Carol Music: Traditional Polish Melody, Public Domain



In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For his bed a cat - tle stall;
Flocks were sleep - ing, Shep - herds keep - ing Vig - il till the morn - ing new



Ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all.
Saw the glo - ry, Heard the sto - ry, Tid - ings of a Gos - pel true.



Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, No - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing;
Thus re - joic - ing, Free from sor - row, Prais - es voic - ing, Greet the mor - row:



Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all! Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all!
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

We wish you all a most blessed Christmas.

May the good news of our Savior's birth
fill your hearts with joy
today and each day.

Pastor and Marie

Hannah

Alex, Kim and Liana

David and Michele

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
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