



Christ Our Redeemer

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN

"Angels From the Realms of Glory"

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An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your
Ma - gi, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; Bright - er vi - sions
Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in



all the earth; Once you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry;
flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing -
beam a - far. Seek the great de - sire of na - tions;
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth: Come and wor - ship,
Yon - der shines the in - fant light.
You have seen the Savi - or's star.
In his tem - ple shall ap - pear.



come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P (Pastor): We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C (Congregation): **Amen.**

P: A Savior has been born to you.

C: **He is Christ the Lord.**

P: Sing to the Lord, praise his name;

C: **Proclaim his salvation day after day.**

P: Declare his glory among the nations,

C: **His marvelous deeds among all peoples.**

P: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;

C: **Tremble before him, all the earth.**

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true and penitent heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and have failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER

P: O God, our Maker and Redeemer, you wonderfully created us and yet more wondrously restored our human nature through the incarnation of your Son. Make us alive in him who made himself to be like us, born as a baby in Bethlehem to live and die and rise from the dead. Bring us at last to live with you and all your saints in glory through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Be seated

Epistle Lesson – Colossians 3:12-17

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

PSALM 111

P: Great are the works of the LORD;

C: They are pondered by all who delight in them.

P: Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

C: And his righteousness endures forever.

P: He has caused his wonders to be remembered;

C: The LORD is gracious and compassionate.

P: He provides food for those who fear him;

C: He remembers his covenant forever.

P: He has shown his people the power of his works,

C: Giving them the lands of other nations.

P: The works of his hands are faithful and just;

C: All his precepts are trustworthy.

P: They are steadfast for ever and ever,

C: Done in faithfulness and righteousness.

P: He provided redemption for his people;

C: He ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name.

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

C: All who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

Gospel Lesson - Luke 2:25-40

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

²⁹ "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹ which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel."

³³ The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him.

³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸ Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

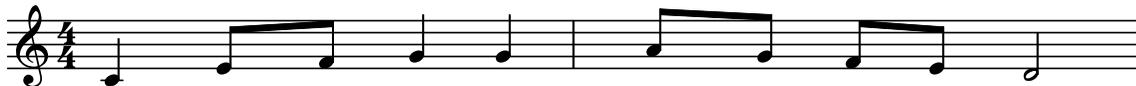
SERMON HYMN

"Peace Came to Earth"

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Peace came to earth at last that cho - sen night
And who could be the same for hav - ing held
You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen,
How else could I have known you, O my God!



When an - gels clove the sky with song and light And God em - bod - ied
The in - fant in their arms and lat - er felt The wound-ed hands and
In flesh and blood you bore our griefs and pain, In bread and wine you
How else could I have loved you, O my God! How else could I em-



love and sheathed his might Who could but gasp: Im - man-u - el!
side, all doubts dis-pelled Who could but sigh: Im - man-u - el!
vis - it us a - gain Who could but see: Im - man-u - el!
- brace you, O my God! Who could but pray: Im - man-u - el!



Who could but sing: Im - man-u - el!
Who could but shout: Im - man-u - el!
Who could but thrill: Im - man-u - el!
Who could but praise: Im - man-u - el!

SERMON TEXT - Old Testament – Isaiah 45:20-25

²⁰ “Gather together and come; assemble, you fugitives from the nations. Ignorant are those who carry about idols of wood, who pray to gods that cannot save. ²¹ Declare what is to be, present it—let them take counsel together. Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past? Was it not I, the Lord? And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me. ²² “Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.

²³ By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear. ²⁴ They will say of me, ‘In the Lord alone are deliverance and strength.’” All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame. ²⁵ But all the descendants of Israel will find deliverance in the Lord and will make their boast in him.

SERMON

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Let Us All with Gladsome Voice"

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Let us all with glad-some voice Praise the God of heav - en,
To this vale of tears he comes, Here to serve in sad - ness,
We are rich, for he was poor; Is not this a won - der?
O Lord Christ, our Sav - ior dear, Bless us and be near us.



Who, to bid our hearts re - jice, His own Son has giv - en.
That with him in heav'n's fair homes We may reign in glad-ness.
There-fore praise God ev - er - more Here on earth and yon - der.
Grant us now a glad new year. A - men, Je - sus, hear us!

Silent Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you: The staff at COR would like to thank you for all the cards, gifts, and words of encouragement. They are greatly appreciated.

Tom, Jackie, Jonas, Silas, Lucas & Cecily
Tim & Becky Feld; Ruth & Connor Nitz
Alex, Kim & Liana Miller

Sunday	December 27	One worship service at 9a, no Bible Class or Sunday School
Thursday	December 31	7p New Year's Eve Service with Lord's Supper
Sunday	January 3	8a Worship with Communion 9:15a Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30a Worship with Communion
Monday	January 4	School resumes from Christmas Break
Thursday	January 7	7p Worship resumes
Sunday	January 10	8 & 10:30a Worship, 9:15a Bible Class & Sunday School

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Worship services Sundays at 8 &
10:30a (Summer Worship at 9a)
Thursdays at 7p, during Lent and
Advent Wednesdays at 7p

Bible Study and Sunday
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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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