

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
DECEMBER 10 – 10:30 A.M.
“THE MESSIAH IS COMING”**

***PRESERVICE MUSIC* “Hark The Herald Angels Sing”**

**Hark! The herald angels sing! "Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies!
With th' angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"**

**Christ, by highest heav'n adored: Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time, behold him come, Offspring of the favored one.
Veil'd in flesh, the Godhead see; Hail, th' incarnate Deity:
Pleased, as man, with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"**

**Hail! The heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail! The Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, Risen with healing in his wings
Mild he lays his glory by, Born that man no more may die!
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"**

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“O Little Town Of Bethlehem”

**O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy darkness shineth, The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years, Are met in thee tonight.**

**For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep, Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together, Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God, the King, And peace to men on earth.**

**How silently, how silently, The wondrous Gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts, The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in.**

**O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings tell:
Oh, come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Immanuel!**

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Scripture Reference: Micah 5:2, Matthew 2:1-6, Isaiah 7:14 CCLI Song: 27879 CCLI License: 51072*

WORSHIP THEME: "The Messiah is Coming" Mark 1:1-8

Mark reminded his readers that Isaiah had spoken of the coming of John the Baptist and Jesus Christ years before. Finally, the prophecy was fulfilled and the ministry of John the Baptist preparing the way for the Messiah unfolded. John baptized with water but explained that Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit. In this season of Advent, may the hope and excitement of Jesus Christ's salvation and second coming fill your hearts as you lock your eyes on Him.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG..... "O Come All Ye Faithful"

**O Come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant!
Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold Him
Born the king of angels: O Come, let us adore Him,
O Come, let us adore Him, O Come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

**Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God
All Glory In the highest: O Come, let us adore Him,
O Come, let us adore Him, O Come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

**Every nation will bow down before You, Every tongue will confess You are God!
We worship and adore You, We worship and adore**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory given! Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing! O Come, let us adore Him,
O Come, let us adore Him, O Come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.
O Come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,
People: Amen.

Pastor: Welcome one and all!
People: We are glad we are here.

Pastor: We anticipate the Messiah's return and celebrate His presence in our lives.
People: **Jesus Christ is coming soon!**

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Coming Messiah, how blessed we are to call You Lord. Like John the Baptist prepared the way for You to enter, You've prepared for us the way to salvation.

People: **We believe, Lord. We will follow Your path.**

Pastor: As we celebrate Advent, renew our love for You, Lord. In the name of Jesus we pray,

People: **Amen.**

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Father, we cling too often to this world and place our hope in temporary fixes. We climb the ladders of success, we measure our value by others' opinions or monetary amounts, while all along forgetting or denying the fact that this earth is temporary and is not our eternal home. You promise a new heaven and a new earth where righteousness will dwell.

People: **We need Your forgiveness.**

Pastor: You provided the way for us to be saved through the cross. We accept Your forgiveness.

People: **We need Your grace.**

Pastor: Help us not to forget that our home is eternally in You.

People: **Amen.**

+ We Hear God's Word +

Isaiah 40:1-11(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin) (on page 1119 in NIV pew Bible)

2 Peter 3:8-14(ESV) (page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 1896 in NIV pew Bible)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "O Come To Set Us Free".....by Praise & Worship Choir

Mark 1:1-8(ESV)(page 6 in bulletin) (on page 1551 in NIV pew Bible)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Pastor: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, let us declare the beliefs of our faith!

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, died and was 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 thence 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

SERMON SONG *“Midnight Clear (Love Song)”*

It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old
From angels bending near the earth, To touch their harps of gold

Peace on the earth good will to men, From heaven's all gracious King
The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing
Still through the cloven skies they come, With peaceful wings unfurled
And still their heavenly music floats, Through all the weary world

And man at war with man hears not, The love song which they bring
O hush the noise and cease the strife, And hear the angels sing

Glory to God in the highest, Glory to God evermore
Good news great joy for all, Melody breaks through the silence
Christ the Savior is born, Jesus the love song of God

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*“Midnight Clear (Love Song) written by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash & Jonas Myrin © 2015 Capitol CMG Paragon
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MESSAGE.....

OFFERING SONG..... *“God Loves Me Dearly”*

God loves me dearly grants me salvation, God loves me dearly loves even me.

REFRAIN:

Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, loves even me.
He sent forth Jesus, My dear Redeemer
He sent forth Jesus, and set me free. **REFRAIN**

**Now will I praise You, O Love Eternal
Now will I praise You all my life long. REFRAIN**

*"God Loves Me Dearly" written by August Rische Public Domain
Scripture Reference: 1 John 4:9-10, John 3:16, Rom. 5:8, Eph. 2:4-5 CCLI License: 51072*

DEDICATION OF NATIVITY SCENE

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+ We Pray +

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

+ We Celebrate the Lord's Supper +

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONG "Silent Night! Holy Night!"

**Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia.
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**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.**

*"Silent Night" written by Franz Xaver Gruber, John Freeman Young, Joseph Mohr Public Domain
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DISMISSAL BLESSING

Pastor: Turn your eyes to the one who is coming! Set your heart on Christ!

People: **We wait for the Lord.**

+ We Depart in Peace +

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May you be blessed going in and going out, carrying the hope in your hearts
that the Messiah is coming!

People: **Amen!**

CLOSING SONG..... "Have You Heard"

**Have you heard the King is born, have you heard the King is here,
Heaven's arms are open wide, come all who seek him,
Have you heard the Christ is born, have you heard the Christ is here,
Blessed is the One who comes, His name is Jesus, Yeah.**

**Unto us is born this day the Savior of the world,
Shining through the darkest night; He's the Father's gift to us.
Glory in the highest place, singing
Glory in the highest place.**

**Have you heard the King is born, have you heard the King is here,
Heaven's arms are open wide, come all who seek him,
Have you heard the Christ is born, have you heard the Christ is here,
Blessed is the One who comes, His name is Jesus, Yeah.**

**He gives hope to broken hearts and peace to those in pain,
Turning sorrow into joy, with the angels we will sing:
Glory in the highest place, singing
Glory in the highest place.**

**Have you heard the King is born, have you heard the King is here,
Heaven's arms are open wide, come all who seek him,
Have you heard the Christ is born, have you heard the Christ is here,
Blessed is the One who comes, His name is Jesus, Yeah.
His name is Jesus!**

*"Have You Heard" written by Don Chapman, Aaron Flores, Micah Nichols and Jon Skaggs @2013 Hearts to God Music
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We Exit to Serve!

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with one of the Pastors after the service.



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