

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
January 3, 2021
Second Sunday of Christmas
10:30 am via Facebook Live & YouTube Live

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,

full of grace and truth!

We have beheld his glory.

Alleluia! Jesus Christ is born!

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you have filled us with the light of your Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of faith shine in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN 141

On This Day Earth Shall Ring

PERSONENT HODIE

*On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing to the Lord,
Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.*

(Refrain) *Ideo, ideo, ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth
Bethlehem saw his birth; ox and ass beside him from the cold would hide him. (Refrain)*

*God's bright star, o'er his head, wise men three to him led;
kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts before him, praise him and adore him. (Refrain)*

*On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring, praising Christ,
heaven's King, born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us. (Refrain)*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Like a great light in a land of deep darkness, the mercy of the Lord shines upon us. Trusting in God's grace, let us share where we have lost our way. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in Christ you were born a humble child, love-made-flesh, God-with-us. Forgive us when we fail to follow in your way of humility, love, and peace. Free us to see your Light reflecting in the faces of friends and family, neighbors and strangers, enemies and friends. Forgive us, and empower us to shine forth with your love. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PROMISE AND FORGIVENESS

SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 583)

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

GLORIA (TAIZÉ)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, giver of all light, lift up our hearts and minds to Christ, the morning star that never fades. By the light of your Holy Spirit reveal to us your saving Word and lead us to offer our lives to you in service and in love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 147: 12-20

Here ends the Psalm. **Amen.**

John 1: 1-18

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

SERMON

AFFIRMATION 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Gesu Bambino

Pietro A Yon

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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...**

...Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

HYMN 134

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

*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.*

*Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

*No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.*

*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.*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY