

# THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS December 28, 2025

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

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PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

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CALL TO WORSHIP

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## JOY TO THE WORLD (JOYFUL JOYFUL)

George Frideric Handel | Isaac Watts | Phil Wickham

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

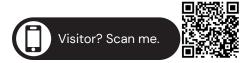
#### chorus

We will sing, sing, sing, Joy to the world We will sing, sing, sing

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns, Let men their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy *chorus* 

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 **chorus** 

Joyful joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above



## CONFESSION OF SIN

## EXTENDING PEACE

**Leader**: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

### HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Felix Mendelssohn | Charles Wesley

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 hosts 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 Virgin's womb Veiled 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 Sun of Righteousness Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n 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

### A CHRISTMAS HYMN

Chris Llewellyn | Savannah Locke

Come now see the Lord of Heaven in a lowly manger laid King deserving of a throne room, born a poor powerless babe Oh the mystery, oh the wonder, somehow God is one of us Such is greatness in His kingdom: He descended to our dust

Christ the Word, holy expression of the humbleness of God Herald of a prideless Kingdom, one of sacrificial love Mighty One who made the heavens knelt to wash His brothers' feet And the earth that He created, He bestowed unto the meek

King of glory became nothing, humbled to the point of death Stretched His arms out like a beggar and forgave with His last breath What God started with a manger, ended with an empty grave Suffering Servant, now exalted, Jesus, name above all names

Light eternal in the darkness, He shall not be overcome Shining over all our shadows, every curse has been undone Heaven breaks forth like the springtime through the winter of our souls Now His life is life abundant, is forever ours to know

Come now church, let us adore Him, tune your heart to sing His grace Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's redeeming love Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's redeeming love

# SCRIPTURE READING

**MATTHEW 1:17** 

<sup>17</sup> So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

**Leader**: This is the Word of the Lord.

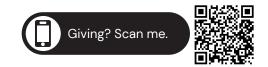
People: Thanks be to God.

# "AND ON THE SEVENTH DAY"

Matthew 1:17

I. At the end

II. And a new beginning



# **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION**

Our World Belongs To God, 23

People: Remembering the promise

to reconcile the world to himself,

God joined our humanity in Jesus Christ-

the eternal Word made flesh. He is the long-awaited Messiah

one with us

and one with God,

fully human and fully divine, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

(For Jesus as the incarnate Son of God, see Luke 1:31-35, John 1:1-14, and Hebrews 1:2-3.)

## SONG OF RESPONSE

## GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

John W. Work

#### chorus

Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night Behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light *chorus* 

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the earth Rang out the angels chorus that hailed the Savior's birth *chorus* 

Down in a lowly manger, the humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation that blessèd Christmas morn **chorus** 

BENEDICTION John Sittema

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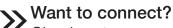
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## **MUSICIANS**

Worship Leader - Jeremy Goodwyne | Front Vocalist - Carly Davis | Drums - Dave Rich | Bass Guitar - Paul Winter | Piano - Curran Dinkel | Keys - Tim Shorey

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