



FESTIVAL OF CAROLS

DECEMBER 13, 2015

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

THE MEANING *of* CHRISTMAS

We hope you enjoy this worship service celebrating the marvelous birth of Jesus Christ, who is the Savior of mankind and the true meaning of Christmas. More importantly, we hope you know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Being a Christian is more than identifying yourself with a particular religion or affirming a certain value system. Being a Christian means you have embraced what the Bible says about God, mankind, and salvation. Consider the following truths found in the Bible.

God is Sovereign Creator

Contemporary thinking says man is the product of evolution. But the Bible says we were created by a personal God to love, serve, and enjoy endless fellowship with Him. The New Testament reveals it was Jesus Himself who created everything (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16). Therefore, He also owns and rules everything (Psalm 103:19). That means He has authority over our lives and we owe Him absolute allegiance, obedience, and worship.

God is Holy

God is absolutely and perfectly holy (Isaiah 6:3); therefore He cannot commit or approve of evil (James 1:13). God requires holiness of us as well. First Peter 1:16 says, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

Mankind is Sinful

According to Scripture, everyone is guilty of sin: “There is no man who does not sin” (1 Kings 8:46). That doesn’t mean we’re incapable of performing acts of human kindness. But we’re utterly incapable of understanding, loving, or pleasing God on our own (Romans 3:10–12).

Jesus is Lord and Savior

Romans 10:9 says, “If you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you shall be saved.” Even though God’s justice demands death for sin, His love has provided a Savior who paid the penalty and died for sinners (1 Peter 3:18). Christ’s death satisfied the demands of God’s justice, and Christ’s perfect life satisfied the demands of God’s holiness (2 Corinthians 5:21), thereby enabling Him to forgive and save those who place their faith in Him (Romans 3:26).

The Character of Saving Faith

True faith is always accompanied by repentance from sin. Repentance is agreeing with God that you are sinful, confessing your sins to Him, and making a conscious choice to turn from sin (Luke 13:3, 5; 1 Thessalonians 1:9) and pursue Christ (Matthew 11:28–30; John 17:3) and obedience to Him (1 John 2:3). It isn’t enough to believe certain facts about Christ. Even Satan and his demons believe in the true God (James 2:19), but they don’t love and obey Him. True saving faith always responds in obedience (Ephesians 2:10).



The Nativity, 1510
German woodcut by Albrecht Dürer

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♠ Indicates congregation standing.

WELCOME..... Barton Kimbro

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "Festival Fanfare for Christmas"John Wasson

CALL TO WORSHIP

CAROL ANTHEM: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" arr. Barlow Bradford

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 heav'n above!
Glory to God, glory in the highest:

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n!
Word of the father, now in flesh appearing!

♠ CAROL: "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" arr. David Willcocks



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King;
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son 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 the Vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.



Joy - ful, all ye 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 man no more may die,



with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.

Refrain



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

♠ INVOCATION AND GREETINGS

CAROL: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" arr. John Rutter



All 1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 All 2. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se, free Thine own from
 Choir 3. O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer our spi - rits
 All 4. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, who to Thy
 All 5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come and o - pen



cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly
 Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell Thy
 by Thine ad - vent here; dis - perse the gloom - y
 tribes on Si - nai's height, in an - cient times didst
 wide our heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that



ex - ile here, un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 peo - ple save, and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
 clouds of night, and death's dark sha - dows put to flight.
 give the law, in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 leads on high, and close the path to mis - e - ry.



Re-joyce! Re-joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

CAROL ANTHEM: "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" arr. Mack Wilberg

Infant holy, Infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall;
 Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
 Swiftly winging angels singing, nowells ringing, tidings bringing:
 Christ the Babe is Lord of all. Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
 Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new
 Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
 Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow;
 Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

♠ CAROL SING-ALONG arr. Jeff Tyzik

"Silent Night"



1. Si - lent night! ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright; round you
 2. Si - lent night! ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight! Glo - ries



vir - gin mo - ther and child. Ho - ly in - fant so, ten - der and mild,
 stream from heav - en a - far, heav'n - ly hosts sing, "Al - le - lu - ia!"



sleep in heav - en - ly peace, sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!

“Angels We Have Heard On High”



1. An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
 2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?



and the mountains in re - ply ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the ti - dings be, which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?

Refrain



Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,



Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

"What Child Is This?"



1. What Child is this who, laid to rest, on Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?



Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?

Chorus



This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

CAROL ANTHEM: "Coventry Carol" Bob Chilcott

*Lully, lulla, Thou little tiny child, by by, lully, lullay,
 Thou little tiny child, by by lully, lullay.*

O sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day;
 This poor youngling, for whom we do sing, by by, lully, lullay?

Herod, the King, in his raging, charged he hath this day.
 His men of might, in his own sight, all young children to slay.

That woe is me, poor child for Thee! And ever morn and day,
 For Thy parting neither say nor sing by by, lully, lullay.

♠ CAROL: "The First Nowell" arr. Mack Wilberg



Men 1. The first No - well the an - gel did say, was to cer - tain poor
 Women 2. They look - ed up and saw a star shin - ing in the
 All 3. Then let us all with one ac - cord sing prais - es



shep - herds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay
 East be - yond them far, and to the earth it
 to our heav - en - ly Lord that hath made heav'n and



keep - ing their sheep on a cold, win - ter's night that was so deep.
 gave great light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 earth of naught, and with His blood man - kind hath bought.



Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CAROL ANTHEM: "Joys Seven" arr. Stephen Cleobury

The first good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of one;
 To see the blessed Jesus Christ when He was first her son:
 When He was first her son, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of two;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to make the lame to go:
 To make the lame to go, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of three;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to make the blind to see:
 To make the blind to see, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of four;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to read the Bible o'er:
 To read the Bible o'er, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of five;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to bring the dead alive:
 To bring the dead alive, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of six;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, upon the crucifix:
 Upon the crucifix, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of sev'n;
 To see her own son, Jesus Christ, to wear the crown of heav'n:
 To wear the crown of heav'n, good man: and blessed may He be,
 Both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

♠ CAROL: "We Three Kings" arr. John Rutter



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise; King and



gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
 bring to crown Him a - gain, King for - e - ver,
 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
 God and sac - ri - fice: Al - le - lu - ia,



moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
 all men rais - ing, wor - ship Him God most high.
 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia, sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain



O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.

CAROL ANTHEM: "Wexford Carol" arr. Barlow Bradford

Good people all, this Christmas time, consider well and bear in mind
 What our good God for us has done, in sending His beloved Son.
 With Mary holy we should pray to God with love this Christmas Day;
 In Bethlehem upon the morn there was a blest Messiah born.

Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep;
 To whom God's angels did appear which put the shepherds in great fear.
 "Prepare and go," the angels said, "To Bethlehem, be not afraid;
 For there you'll find, this happy morn, a princely Babe, sweet Jesus born."

With thankful heart and joyful mind, the shepherds went the babe to find,
 And as God's angel has foretold, they did our Savior Christ behold.
 Within a manger He was laid, and by His side the virgin maid
 Attending to the Lord of Life, Who came on earth to end all strife.

♠ CAROL: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" arr. John Rutter



1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
 2. O morn - ing stars to - ge - ther pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
 3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n;
 4. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray!



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by.
 And prai - ses sing to God the King and peace to men on earth.
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bles - sings of His heav'n.
 Cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.



Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the e - ver - last - ing light;
 For Christ is born of Ma - ry and ga - thered all a - bove,
 No ear may hear His com - ing, but in this world of sin,
 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels, the great glad tid - ings tell;



the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring love.
 where meek souls will re - ceive Him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el.

HOMILY Sandy Willson

CAROL ANTHEM: "O Holy Night" arr. David Clydesdale

Ginger Statom, soloist

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,
 It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
 Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
 Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
 A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,
 For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn;

*Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
 O night divine, O night when Christ was born!*

Truly He taught us to love one another,
 His law is love and His gospel is peace;
 Chains He shall break, for the slave is our brother,
 And in His name all oppression shall cease.
 Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
 Let all within us praise His holy name.

♠ BENEDECTION

♠ CAROL: "Joy to the World" arr. Mack Wilberg



All 1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 Women 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 Men 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 All 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions



King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him room,
 ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow
 prove the glo - ries of His righ - teous - ness



and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of His love, and won - ders of His



sing, and heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders won - ders of His love.

♠ ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella" Denis Bédard

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*Following tonight's service, all are invited to a reception
 in the lobby outside the west doors of the Sanctuary.*

*Our recording of the Festival of Carols service from 2014 will be broadcast
 on WKNO television on Christmas Eve at 8:00 p.m.
 and on Christmas Day at 2:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 It will also be shown on KNO2 on Christmas Day at 9:00 p.m.*

THE DEPARTMENT *of* MUSIC

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Tuba

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Percussion

David Carlisle
Michael Karcz

Timpani

Frank Shaffer

Harp

Marian Shaffer



Advent *at* Second

Nine Lessons and Carols:
December 20, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Advent Evensong: December 20, 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

PJ Story Time: December 21, 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Christmas Eve Worship: December 24

4:00 p.m., Family Service featuring Christmas video and children's message

5:30 and 8:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion with The Chancel Choir

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion with The Westminster Singers

*Nursery for children ages 4 and under is available for all events except
PJ Story Time and the 8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve services.*

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We invite you to worship with us on Sundays!

Morning Worship: 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.

*To find out how you can become part of our church community,
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MUSIC AT SECOND

CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

Mendelssohn's Elijah

presented by the Memphis Masterworks Chorale

Friday, February 12, 2016

7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Lenten Tenebrae Concert: Choral Reflections

presented by the Laudis Domini Ensemble

Wednesday, March 18, 2016

7:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Hymn Sing and Fish Fry

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

5:30 p.m. Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Patriotic Pops Concert

Thursday, June 30, 2016

7:30 p.m. at the Levitt Shell



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