# ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Christmas January 2, 2021

### OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Lighting of the Christ Candle & Baptism of Melody Claghorn

† *Pastor*: Let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

#### Congregation: We give thanks to the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

The Lord has come!

#### O come, let us adore Him!

His name shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins.

#### He is Emmanuel, God with us.

He is the Prince of Peace, Lord of lords, and King of kings!

#### Let us exalt His name together.



Lift up your hearts...

#### We lift them up to the Lord!

#### † COLLECT & 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 have forgiven 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.

#### † Congregational Singing

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence—241

# OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

Not everyone who says to Me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.

Many will say to Me on that day, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?"

And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness."

Matthew 7:21-23

AN INVITATION TO CONFESS OUR SINS

#### **‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, we come to You through Jesus, Who is the Word made flesh, and through Whom You have provided forgiveness and life. We confess our sins to You, knowing that all things are open and exposed before You. Nothing is hidden from Your gaze. You have called us to faithfulness in bearing Your name, and each of our sins is contrary to that calling. We have not loved others as we ought; we have not loved others as You have loved us. We have served ourselves, seeking our own ways. We have been unkind to others. We have held on to that which is evil, and failed to adhere to the good. You know us fully, and we seek Your gracious pardon. Grant us Your grace which is greater than our sins. Hear us, and cover us with Your mercy, even now, as we continue in prayer, confessing our sins...

[we pause in prayer, and then conclude together...]

O Lord, we give You thanks for Your kindness and abundant pardon; provided through Your Son who has died for us, taking the penalty which was our due, and You have received us in Him. Now grant, most merciful Lord, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, and this to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God—415

† ABSOLUTION: Our Assurance of Forgiveness is declared "In the Name of God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit" "Thanks be to God!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly—insert



#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We join together praying for the church, one another, and the world

#### OUR LORD TEACHES US FROM HIS WORD

Scripture Lesson from the Old Testament

Isaiah 9:1-7

Scripture Lesson from the New Testament

Philippians 2:1-11

"This is the Word of the Lord"

"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Matthew 2:1-12

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"
"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text

I John 2:15-19

Sermon

The Messiah's New World

Pastor Jeff Niell

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: It Came upon the Midnight Clear —239

#### IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE

We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *The Doxology*As the offering is brought forward, we lift our hearts, hands, and voices in thankful praise...

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

#### OUR LORD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE

We Confess Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

† Pastor: Christians, in whom do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty; maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hades.

On 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 there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
The communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

#### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We commune with the Lord & with one another

After the Eucharist - A Table Blessing

† Pastor: May the body and the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith unto life eternal. In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Angels We Have Heard on High—230

#### OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

† Benediction & Singing

Doxology from Of the Father's Love Begotten (p. 247)

Christ, to Thee with God the Father, and O Holy Ghost to Thee, Hymn and chant with high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be: Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, Evermore and evermore! Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

#### **TODAY**

**FORUM** – After worship you are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for some coffee, fellowship, and Q&A. During this time, Pastors Niell and Jeffery will lead an informal Q&A time giving an opportunity for further discussion about the service and sermon. We'll finish at 1:30 p.m. with some quick clean-up.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

**Fellowship Meal** – January 9 – Our first Fellowship Meal of the new year! Look for an email later this week with details. Please plan to join us!



#### Pregnancy Help Center of Fort Worth — ONE more Sunday left!

During Advent we will be gathering items to support the Pregnancy Help Center of Fort Worth. Particular items of need this year are diapers (sizes 1-6), baby wipes, baby shampoo, lotion, and diaper cream. Of course items like car seats, strollers, baby blankets, baby clothes, pack n' plays, and new mom gifts are always welcome. Please see the email from Mr. Nate Douglas that details further specific and pressing needs from PHC. Donations can be placed in the back corner of the foyer by the main entrance.



**CHRISTMAS** — According to the Church calendar, *Christmas* is celebrated from December 25th through January 5th, and these are "The Twelve Days of Christmas." During the Christmas season we acknowledge the birth of Jesus, the Savior of the nations, and proclaim Him as the Messiah, the Promised One, and the King of kings. In this, we acknowledge the incarnation, the wonderful reality that God has taken on human flesh and has done so as a demonstration of His glory and to accomplish salvation for mankind: the One who is both God and man—Jesus Christ—has come, and He will accomplish all the will of the Father. The Light of the world has come, is present and shining, and is dispelling the darkness throughout the world. The color for the Christmas season is white.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Gloria Sancta this week, January 5-8 in Athens, TX
- All Saints in Prayer Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Summer Sanctus, **NEW DATES** June 13-16, 2022

# The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at All Saints, and we warmly invite to the Lord's Table all who are baptized disciples of the Lord Jesus, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church, and this includes covenant children. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the overseers of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being an active member of a congregation which belongs to the Triune God and is marked by the Word and sacraments. If you have any questions about your participation, please speak to one of the elders before or after the service.

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# Sermon Notes The Messiah's New World | I John 2:15-19 January 2, 2022 Pastor Jeff Niell

# The Congregation Stands and Speaks to the Child

"Little child, for you, Jesus Christ has come, He has fought, He has suffered. For you He entered into the shadows of Gethsemane and the terror of Calvary; for you He uttered the cry, 'It is finished.' For you He rose from the dead and ascended into heaven, and there for you He intercedes. For you, little child, even though you do not yet know it, this is one way the Word of the Gospel is made true for you and each of us: 'We love Him because He first loved us.'"

# Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



# Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

From a melody by J. A. Freylinghausen, 1704 adapted, Harold W. Gilbert



# **Infant Holy, Infant Lowly**



Text: Polish; tr. Edith M. G. Reed, 1921 Tune: Polish; harm. *Psalter Hymnal*, 1987



# Gloria Patri



# Angels We Have Heard on High

