

# ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

## OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

*Lighting of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Advent Candles*  
Membership of the K.B. Ribelin Family

† *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 people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined.**

There will come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse; and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

**Arise, shine; for your light has come! And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.**

Isaiah 9:2 & 60:1



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**

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel—227*

## OUR LORD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

**Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

**I will praise the LORD while I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

**Do not trust in princes, in mortal man, in whom there is no salvation.**

**His spirit departs, he returns to the earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.**

**How blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,**

**Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; Who keeps faith forever;**

**Who executes justice for the oppressed; Who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free.**

Psalm 146:1-7



AN INVITATION TO CONFESS  
OUR SINS:

† The congregation is invited to stand

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER  
We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, we come to You, a righteous Judge, and as One who is filled with mercy. Be merciful to us, and forgive us our sins for they are many. Forgive us for desiring our own ways instead of desiring Your favor. Forgive our ready embrace of our sins—sins of thought, speech, and deed—for these separate us from You. You know our desires and our sins. We are lazy in confession and repentance, yet You remain faithful. Our sins break fellowship with You and others. We have not loved You as we should. We have not sought You as Your servants. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We need Your pardon. Forgive us these sins, as well as those we now confess to You...

[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: *What Child Is This*—250



THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

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OUR LORD TEACHES US FROM HIS WORD

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Scripture Lesson from  
the Old Testament  
Isaiah 11:1-10

Scripture Lesson from  
the Epistles  
Galatians 4:1-6

*“This is the Word of the Lord”*  
“Thanks be to God!”

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 1:39-56

*“This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ”*  
“Praise be to Christ!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Gloria Patri*—436

Sermon Text  
**Matthew 2:1-23**

Sermon  
*From Bethlehem to Egypt to Nazareth*  
Pastor Geoff Shaw

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming* —242

**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

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**OUR LORD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE**

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We Confess Our Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

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† *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.**

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

We commune with the Lord & with one another

**The Lord's Supper should not be observed in individual homes**

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† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* —236-237

**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

**Sack Lunch Q & A**—After worship in the Fellowship Hall. This is another great opportunity to meet the whole Shaw family. Pastor Shaw will be available to answer questions. This is a “Bring Your Own Everything” (food, drinks, plates, napkins, etc.) lunch. Water and coffee will be available. Visitors are welcome. A hospitality table will be set up in the Fellowship Hall where visitors are encouraged to help themselves.



**LESSONS & CAROLS**—Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



### Pregnancy Help Center of Fort Worth— Giving Response

During Advent and through Epiphany we will be gathering items to support the Pregnancy Help Center of Fort Worth. Particular items of need this year are diapers (sizes 2, 3 & 4), baby wipes, baby shampoo, lotion, and soap. Of course items like car seats, strollers, baby blankets, baby clothes, pack n’ plays, are always welcome. Donations can be placed in the back corner of the foyer by the main entrance.

**Please note:** We’ve become aware that there is a great need for little boys’ clothes this year.



**Today is the Third Sunday of Advent.** Advent is the time of the Church year in which we confess that God’s purposes have come to fulfillment in some of the most unlikely ways. In this, the Gospel of the kingdom is proclaimed; the very kingdom which is likened to a small mustard seed. The wondrous works of God are displayed. They confound the wisdom of this age and place demands upon the rulers of every age. During Advent, we acknowledge not merely the expectant precipice of God’s plan being fulfilled, but also the sheer reality that His Word cannot be thwarted. The Lord has fulfilled His Word with *The Word* (John 1:1, 14). The Lord has chosen to confound the rulers of all ages through the birth of His Son, the ruler of the kings of the earth (Revelation 1:5). The decree of Caesar Augustus went forth, but so did a greater Word. The earthly ruler called for a census of the inhabited earth, not knowing that the Creator and the Ruler of the inhabited earth had come to inhabit the earth.

### 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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ADVENT

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL (8 8. 8 8. 8 8)  
13th century plainsong  
arr. Thomas Helmore, 1856

Latin antiphon, 12th century  
tr. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt.

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive  
2. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on  
3. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se, free Thine own from Sa - tan's  
4. O come, Thou Day - spring, come and cheer Our spir - its by Thine  
5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here Un -  
Si - nai's height In an - cient times didst give the law In  
tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell Thy peo - ple save, And  
ad - vent here; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, And  
heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And

til the Son of God ap - pear.  
cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -  
death's dark shad - ows put to flight.  
close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

# Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

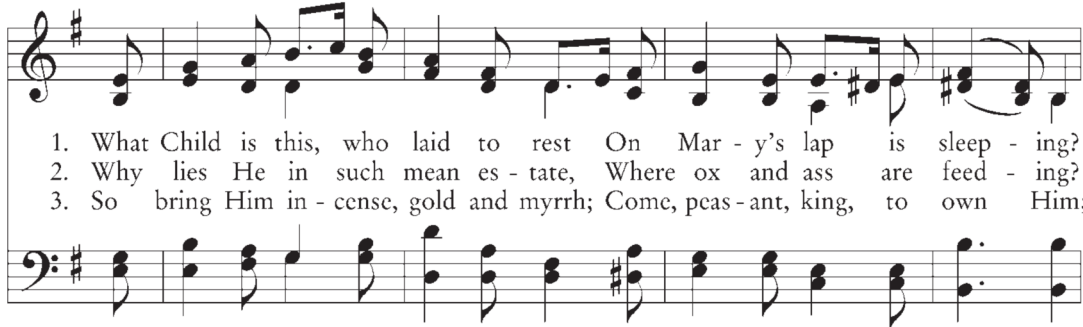
From a melody by J. A. Freylinghausen, 1704  
adapted, Harold W. Gilbert

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God: and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence: and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion: and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it."

## What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES (8 7. 8 7. 6 8. 6 7)  
English melody, 16th century

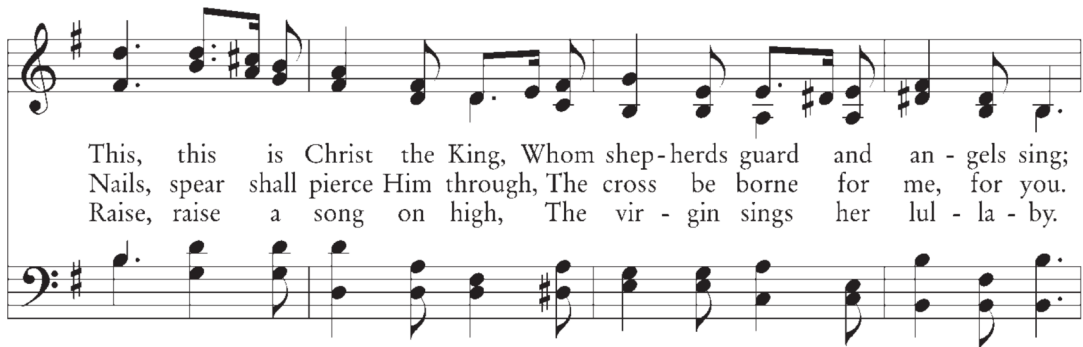
Traditional English carol, before 1642  
adapted by William Chatterton Dix, c. 1865



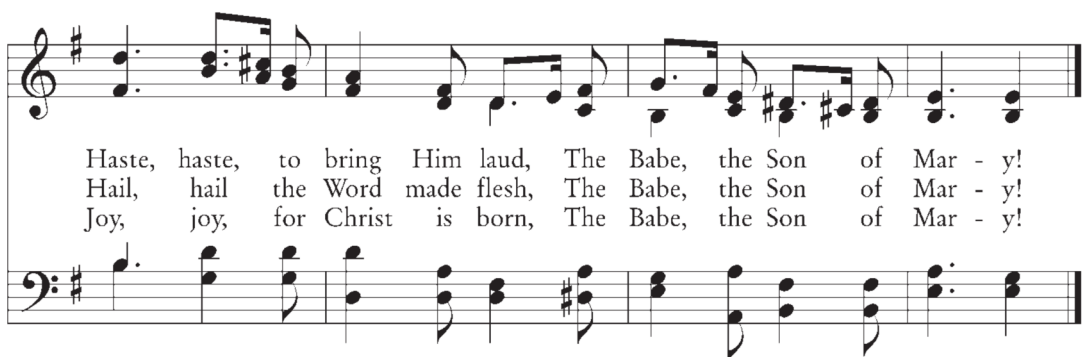
1. What Child is this, who laid to rest On Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing?  
2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate, Where ox and ass are feed - ing?  
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to own Him;



Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you.  
Raise, raise a song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by.



Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!  
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!

# Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI (Irreg.)  
Charles Meineke, 1844

2nd century

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of musical notation for 'Gloria Patri'. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in the key of D major (one sharp). The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the'. The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords and some moving lines.

Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics: 'Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er'. The bass staff continues the piano accompaniment.

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third and final system of musical notation. The treble staff concludes the vocal line with lyrics: 'shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.'. The bass staff concludes the piano accompaniment with a final chord.



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## Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN (7777.7777.77)  
 Felix Mendelssohn, 1840  
 arr. William Hayman Cummings, 1855

Charles Wesley, 1739; alt.

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. *Come, De - sire of na - tions, come, Fix in us Thy hum - ble home;*  
 4. Ad - am's like - ness, Lord, ef - face, Stamp Thine im - age in its place:  
 5. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun 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 a vir - gin's womb.  
*Rise, the wom - an's con - qu'ring Seed, Bruise in us the ser - pent's head.*  
 Sec - ond Ad - am from a - bove, Re - in - state us in Thy love.  
 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,  
*Now dis - play Thy sav - ing pow'r, Ru - ined na - ture now re - store;*  
 Let us Thee, though lost, re - gain, Thee, the Life, the in - ner man:  
 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.  
*Now in mys - tic un - ion join Thine to ours, and ours to Thine.*  
 O, to all Thy - self im - part, Formed in each be - liev - ing heart.  
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

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