# ALL SAINTS

# Presbyterian Church

First Sunday after Christmas January 1, 2023

## OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Lighting of the Christ Candle Baptism of Helen Liedewy Moeller

† 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 the Stars in the Skies Give Praise—254

#### OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

How blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

How blessed are those who observe His testimonies, who seek Him with all their heart.

They also do no unrighteousness; they walk in His ways.

You have ordained Your precepts, that we should keep them diligently.

Oh that my ways may be established to keep Your statutes!

Then I shall not be ashamed when I look upon all Your commandments.

I shall give thanks to You with uprightness of heart, when I learn Your righteous judgments.

I shall keep Your statutes; do not forsake me utterly!

Psalm 119:1-8



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: As with Gladness Men of Old—251



#### 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

Exodus 33:1-11

Scripture Lesson from the Epistles

Ephesians 4:17-24

"This is the Word of the Lord"

"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 2:21-26

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"

"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text

Luke 2:27-35

Sermon

Last Words: Simeon and the Savior

Pastor Jeff Niell

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: What Child Is This —250

#### 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

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

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: The Song of Simeon [Luke 2:29-32]—425

#### 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**

**Baptism** — Helen Liedewy Moeller will be baptized at the beginning of our service today.

**Baptism Reception** — You are invited to join us as we celebrate together with a reception in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

#### THIS WEEK

**Gloria Sancta** — January 4-7, 2023 at the Timberline Baptist Camp in Lindale, Texas. Please pray for all involved.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Fellowship Meal** — We will have our monthly fellowship meal next week after worship. Please look for an email with more details in the coming days. All are invited to attend!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

**All Saints in Prayer** — Wednesday, January 18, 2023; at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary (no Bible Study this week) While we thank God for the overturning of Roe v. Wade, there is still much to be done to safeguard the unborn in the U.S. We gather for a short service of prayer for our country, unborn children, and those affected by abortion.





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

fover by the main entrance.

Today is the last Sunday to bring contributions to church to be included in this Giving Response. Items will still be accepted at the church M-W this week between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. — ring doorbell at side glass doors. All items collected will be delivered Thursday, January 5th. 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

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

# 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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# Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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



## As with Gladness Men of Old

DIX (77.77.77) Conrad Kocher, 1838 arr William H. Monk. 186 William Chatterton Dix, 1860



# Gloria Patri



# What Child Is This



