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## 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



## DECEMBER 29, 2019



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### Gathering

OPENING PRAISE *Joy to the World*

WELCOMING OUR GUESTS

PRAISE SONGS *We Fall Down*  
*I Just Want to Praise You*  
*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

### Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Breathe*

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 52:7-10  
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SERMON ABIDE WITH US Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING *Emmanuel*

COMMUNION *God I Look to You*

FINAL BLESSING *How I Love You Lord*

\*CLOSING *He Came Down*

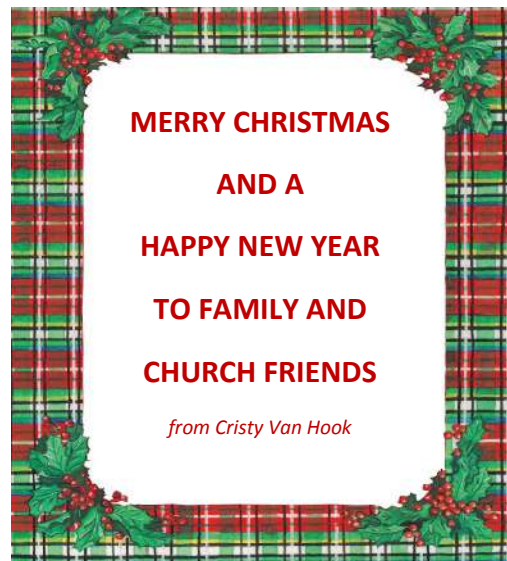
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**CENTERING WORDS**

Joy to the world:  
to every creature and being,  
to every life and life force.  
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**PRELUDE** *Good Christian Men, Rejoice* Traditional/J.M. Neal

**INTROIT**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Praise God from the heavens.  
**Praise God in the heights.**  
Praise God from the earth.  
**Praise God from the depths below.**  
Praise God, young and old, ruler and servant.  
**Praise God with celebration and joy!**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* No. 240

**WELCOMING OUR GUESTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Christ Child, Holy One of Bethlehem,  
we come into your presence this day,  
to thank you for blessing us,  
and for being our true Christmas gift.  
Let your light shine upon us and strengthen us,  
that we might know the gift of your spirit,  
and be emboldened to share it  
with all those we meet. Amen.**

**MEDLEY OF CAROLS** Gary Thompson, leading  
*The First Noel* No. 245  
*What Child Is This* No. 219  
*Silent Night, Holy Night* No. 239

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** *Away in a Manger* No. 217  
(as children come and go)  
*Nursery care is available.*  
*Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers.*

A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Love Came Down at Christmas* No. 242  
 Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer  
 Choral Response *Love Came Down at Christmas* No. 242

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 52:7-10  
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HYMN (remain seated) *O Little Town of Bethlehem* No. 230

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OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering  
 Offertory *Once in Royal David's City* Henry Gauntlett  
 Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

\*CLOSING HYMN *Joy to the World* No. 246

\*BENEDICTION

As you go forth, take the song of the angels with you.  
**We go forth, singing Christ's story  
 for all the earth to hear.**

Let the Spirit of Christmas guide you,  
 in the days and weeks and year ahead.

**We leave this place, taking the Spirit with us .**

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *I Saw Three Ships* Traditional/arr. Cindy Berry



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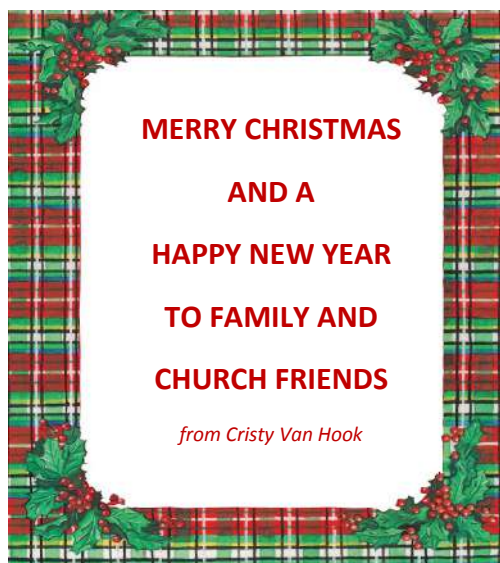
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