

January 2, 2022

*Second Sunday
After Christmas*



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Worship:

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Communion:

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Adult Bible Study &

Sunday School:

9:30 am

(Grace Hall)

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Pastor:

Richard Willsea

Deaconess:

Karen Suter

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

PRELUDE

Dance Prelude on "Bring a Torch Jeanette, Isabella"

Christopher Uehlein

WELCOME

Stand

HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

LSB 686



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,
strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I
How I'll sing Thy won-drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to
feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

John 3:16; Titus 2:11; 1 Timothy 2:3-4; 1 John 2:2

- P** For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- C** **For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people.**
- P** This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- C** **He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith.
- C** **For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**
- P** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **O Giver of all good gifts, we come to You today acknowledging our foolishness and shortsightedness. As we live in this world, we succumb to the thinking of this world, which does not always align with Your thoughts. Amid the strains and stresses of life, we forget about Your unfailing love for us and for all in our world. For the sake of Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, forgive our sins and renew us by Your love.**

P Our God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, loves us dearly and blesses us with every spiritual blessing. We have redemption through Jesus' blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Thank You, Jesus! Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

Psalm 147:1, 5, 11–12; antiphon: John 1:14

HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

LSB 384 st. 1

1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the worlds be -
gan to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
He the source, the end - ing He, Of the things that are, that
have been, And that fu - ture years shall see
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.

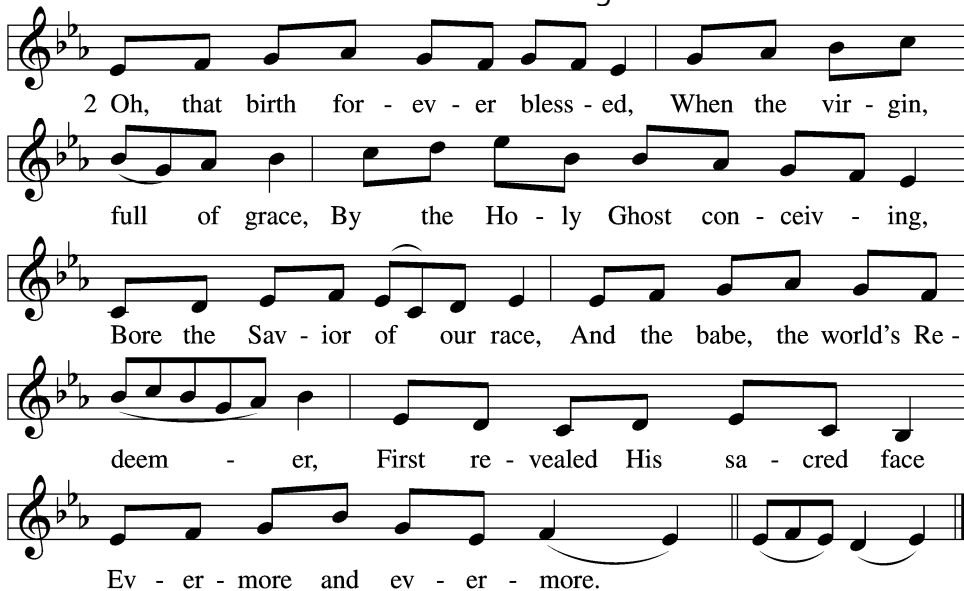
P The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,

C **and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

LSB 384 st. 2



2 Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, When the vir - gin,
full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
Bore the Sav - ior of our race, And the babe, the world's Re -
deem - er, First re - vealed His sa - cred face
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.

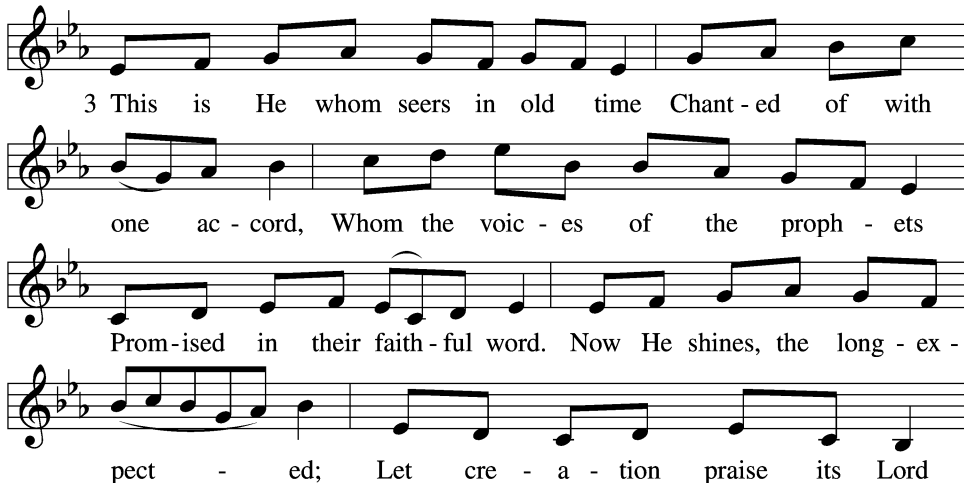
P Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

G Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

LSB 384 st. 3



3 This is He whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with
one ac - cord, Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
Prom - ised in their faith - ful word. Now He shines, the long - ex -
pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord

Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.

- P** But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear Him,
- C** in those who hope in His steadfast love.

HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

LSB 384 st. 4

4 O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore Him; An - gel hosts, His
 prais - es sing. Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore Him
 And ex - tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be
 si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.

- P** Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!
- C** Praise your God, O Zion!

HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

LSB 384 st. 5

Δ 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho - ly
 Ghost, to Thee Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing

And un - end - ing prais - es be, Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -
 min - ion, And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry
 Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. A - men.

- P** The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
- C** **and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. Lord God, You are the fountain and source of all wisdom. You made Solomon a wise king. Your Son demonstrated this wisdom in the temple. Grant us Your wisdom so that we may share it in our communities and throughout the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 3:4–15

The Word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 119:97–104; antiphon: v. 99

- A** I have more understanding than all my teachers,

C for Your testimonies are my meditation.

A Oh how I love Your law!

C It is my meditation all the day.

A Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me.

C I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies are my meditation.

A I understand more than the aged, for I keep Your precepts.

C I hold back my feet from every evil way,

A in order to keep Your word.

C I do not turn aside from Your just decrees,

A for You have taught me.

C How sweet are Your words to my taste,

A sweeter than honey to my mouth!

C Through Your precepts I get understanding;

A therefore I hate every false way.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A I have more understanding than all my teachers,

C for Your testimonies are my meditation.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3–14

The Word is read...

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE

P Alleluia.

C The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom.

P And the favor of God was upon Him.

C Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:40–52

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

The Gospel is read...

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN

"God Loves Me Dearly"

LSB 392



1 God loves me dear - ly, Grants me sal -
2 I was in slav - ry, Sin, death, and
3 He sent forth Je - sus, My dear Re -
4 Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Him - self did
5 Now I will praise You, O Love E -



va - tion, God loves me dear - ly, Loves e - ven me.
dark - ness; God's love was work - ing To make me free.
deem - er, He sent forth Je - sus And set me free.
of - fer; Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Paid all I owed.
ter - nal; Now I will praise You All my life long.



Refrain
There - fore I'll say a - gain: God loves me



dear - ly, God loves me dear - ly, Loves e - ven me.

SERMON

Stand

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us go to God in prayer for ourselves, for God's people around the world, and for all people in their various circumstances.
Lord, we pray for this New Year that is here, that You continue to bless us, Your

people chosen before the foundation of the world, so that we may be a blessing to others. Fill us with the wisdom of Your Word. Lead and guide our visioning, goal setting, and planning so that we have a positive impact in our world both now and for eternity. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Lord, we pray for all who lead—in government, in the public and private sectors, and in Your Church—that they lead with Your wisdom so that the decisions they make are in line with Your will for all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, we pray for all who are hurting, grieving, and struggling in their heart, soul, strength, and mind, [*especially . . .*] that they experience Your dear, sweet love for them as You lead, guide, and provide for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Lord, we pray for those who are beginning this year with goals to read the Bible and learn more about You, that You connect them with Your people so that, as with Philip and the Ethiopian, there is someone to help them understand the mystery of Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Individual petitions may be added.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your dear love; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY

"What Child is This"

Paul Manz

Stand

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

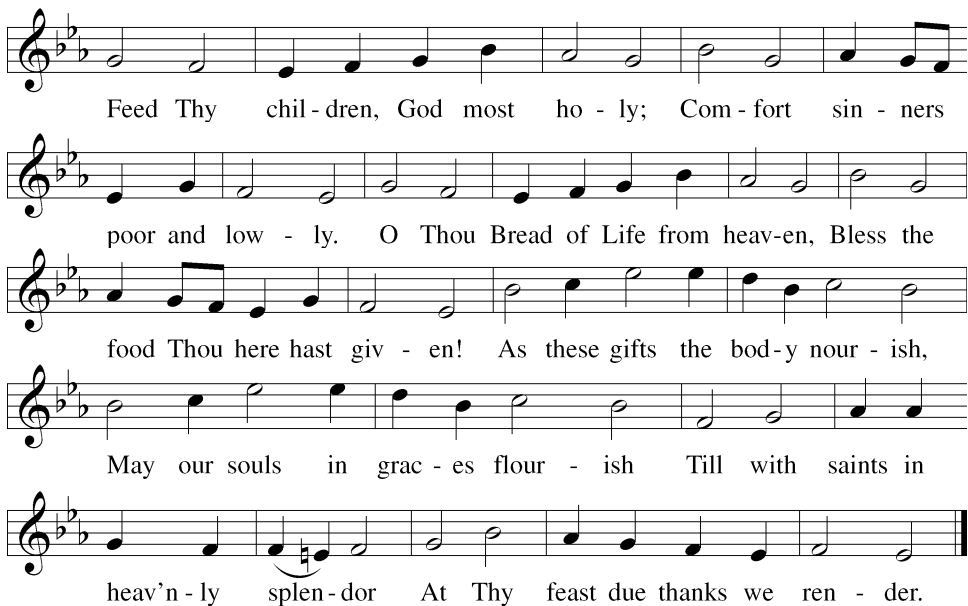
PROPER PREFACE

- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was born of Mary, visited by the Magi, and who amazed those in the temple with His understanding and answers. Through Jesus, You have revealed Your love for all humanity through His suffering, death, and resurrection. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

HYMN

“Feed Thy children, God Most Holy”

LSB 178



Feed Thy chil-dren, God most ho-ly; Com-fort sin-ners
poor and low-ly. O Thou Bread of Life from heav-en, Bless the
food Thou here hast giv-en! As these gifts the bod-y nour-ish,
May our souls in grac-es flour-ish Till with saints in
heav'n-ly splen-dor At Thy feast due thanks we ren-der.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, King of the universe, for in Your divine wisdom and in the fullness of time You sent Your beloved Son to be born of Mary. In the mystery of Your will and Your great love for humanity, He not only became human but also sacrificed His body and His blood on the cross as He died for the sins of the world before rising to life again. We receive this immense gift of grace with repentant joy.

As we gather here in Your name, Lord Jesus, we beg You to give us redemption through Your blood, the forgiveness for our trespasses according to the riches of Your grace. Grant us faithfully to eat Your body and drink Your blood and fill us with Your wisdom and Your grace.

Gather us together, Holy Spirit, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver, enlighten, and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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 trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen.

HYMN

"There Is a Redeemer"

LSB 971



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er In that ho - ly place.

Refrain



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv - ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir - it Till the work on earth is done.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Within the Father's House"

LSB 410



1 With-in the Fa-ther's house The Son has found His home,
 2 The doc-tors of the Law Gaze on the won-drous child
 3 Yet not to them is giv'n The might-y truth to know,
 4 The se-cret of the Lord Es-capes each hu-man eye,



And to His tem-ple sud-den-ly The Lord of life has come.
 And mar-vel at His gra-cious words Of wis-dom un-de-filed.
 To lift the earth-ly veil that hides In-car-nate God be-low.
 And faith-ful pon-d'ring hearts a-wait The full e-piph-a-ny.

5 Lord, visit Thou our souls
 And teach us by Thy grace
 Each dim revealing of Thyself
 With loving awe to trace

D6 Till we behold Thy face
 And know as we are known
 Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 Coequal Three in One.

VOLUNTARY

"Once in Royal David's City"

Irby

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB 935



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!



Un-num-bered bless-ings, give my spir-it voice;



Ten-der to me the prom-ise of His Word;



In God my Sav-ior shall my heart re-joice.

BENEDICTION

LSB 183

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

G Amen

HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

LSB 850



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this
grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these
grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's
grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
days, For the liv - ing of these days.
goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

A Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Charles Callahan

PARTICIPATING IN THIS SERVICE

Pastor: Richard Willsea

Deaconess: Karen Suter

Organist: Ann Hood

Our substitute organist today is Ann Hood. She has recently retired from Holy Cross Anglican Church, Sullivan's Island, S.C. after 22 years of service. She is a native of Charleston and has played at various churches in the area. She was a member of the music faculty at First Baptist Church School Charleston and served as organist at Summerall Chapel the Citadel. She is currently a full-time grandmother to 5 year-old Jason and 16 week old Libby.

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