



# Sunday, December 11, 2022

## 10 A.M. COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

### Third Sunday of Advent

#### We Gather

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** The Rev. Peter Larson

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*** Micah Earley

*Luke 3:4-6*

Leader: A voice cries out, "In the wilderness, prepare the way for the LORD. Make straight paths for him."

**People:** Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill made low;

Leader: The crooked roads shall become straight, and the rough ways smooth.

**All:** And all people will see God's salvation.

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

Angels we have heard on high  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply  
echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say, what may the tidings be  
which inspire your heavenly song? [Refrain]

Come to Bethlehem, and see  
him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. [Refrain]

**ADVENT CANDLE READING** The Strouse Family

#### We Pray

**CHRISTMAS PRAYER** Andrew Johnson  
LORD Jesus, you are King of kings and LORD of lords, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. And yet, you entered our world as a little child. You did not come in awesome power, but in weakness and gentleness. You did not come in wealth or splendor, but in poverty and humility. You were not born in a palace, but in a dirty stable. You did not come to frighten us, but to comfort us. You did not come to judge us, but to save us. Thank you, LORD, for all the gifts you have given us: life, joy, peace and hope. In this season of your birth, help us to seek you. By your Spirit, fill us with the light of your presence. As our children lead us in worship this morning, remind us again how you came as a little child. We pray in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Courtney Williams

*Away in a Manger*

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;  
the stars in the sky looked down where he lay,  
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,  
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky  
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay  
close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

**SCRIPTURE READING** The Rev. Peter Larson

*Isaiah 11:1-9*

### The Nightshift Before Christmas

*Falafel House  
What'll You Have?  
O Little Town of Bethlehem  
You Can Trust a Promise of God  
God Has a Plan  
Good News of Great Joy  
Come and See  
Gloria*

*Joy to the World*

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;  
let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns:  
let men their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

**BENEDICTION** The Rev. Peter Larson

#### CAST:

**Flo:** Olivia Makse  
**Mo:** Rory Earley  
**Lydia:** Kara Moy  
**Mr. Hala:** Eli Forster  
**Tommy:** Noah Green  
**Tammy:** Shelby Jutte  
**Biff:** Matty Strouse  
**Buffy:** Elijah Stone  
**Skip:** Eastleigh Johnson  
**Scamp:** Riley Longfellow  
**Ben:** Kai Earley  
**Lisa:** Isla Moy  
**Josh:** Katarina Skujins  
**Mary:** Vivian Garter  
**Joseph:** Nate Sachs

#### CHORUS:

Addison Collins  
Allison Cornett  
Jayden Cornett  
Teagan Cranfill  
Thaddeus Cranfill  
Theodore Cranfill  
Whitney Enos  
Alaina Farver  
Charlotte-Joi Fear  
Hadley-Grace Fear  
Lexey-Shay Fear  
Chloe Green  
Aaron Johnson  
Caleb Johnson  
Vanora Longworth  
Maya Medina  
Oren Moy  
William Strouse  
Malachi Thompson  
Ariel Winters

**Director**  
Beth Larson

**Assistants to the Director**  
Lynn Steinkirchner  
Christina French

**Cast Assistants**  
Courtney-Ella Fear  
Alylah Addis

**Costumes**  
Heather Forster

**Sound/Lighting/Media Technicians**  
LPC Crew

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