

Order of Service

DECEMBER 19, 2021 ~10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE:

“*AWAY IN A MANGER*”

CALL TO WORSHIP

¹⁸ This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”).

²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.

²⁵ But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

— *Matthew 1:18–25 (NIV)*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERING

♦CHILDREN’S PRAISE

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere.
go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching
o’er silent flocks by night,
behold throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light.

Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

CLOSING SONG WITH IPC CHIMERS

“JOY TO THE WORLD”

CHARGE AND BLESSING

ALL GOD’S CHILDREN SAY ... ALLELUIA, AMEN

NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

ELDER MUSTAPHA BAKSH

POSTLUDE:

“*JOY TO THE WORLD*”

IRVINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December Event Dates

**CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**
Friday, December 24, 6:30pm

WALK THE LABYRINTH
New Year's Eve, 7:00pm



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Reasons for hope:

1. I _____ to God.

Luke 1:46-48 (NIV)

My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.

2. I have the joy of _____.

Luke 1:48-50 (NIV)

From now on all generations will call me blessed, the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name. His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.

3. God is still _____.

Luke 1:51-53 (NIV)

He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.

4. God can be _____.

Luke 1:54-55 (NIV)

He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors."

♦RESPONSE

“ADORE”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

... LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE ~ THE BADE FAMILY

Responsive Reading

Maribel: We light these candles as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

Congregation: In Christ there is life and light for all people. (John 1)

Marion: Now lift up your heads and rejoice: your Redeemer is drawing near. (Luke 21)

Prepare the way of the Holy One! All flesh will see the salvation of God. (Luke 3)

Christ has come to baptize us with the Holy Spirit and with fire. (Luke 3)

(Light the four candles) ~ MJ

Peter: The Mighty One has done great things for us; holy is the name of God. (Luke 1)

Congregation: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth! (Luke 2)

♦ADVENT SONG

HYMN # 175 (WORSHIP & REJOICE HYMNAL)

“WE LIGHT THE ADVENT CANDLES”

PRAYER

♦CHRISTMAS CHOIR

A Christmas Laudamus

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.

Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

We praise you, O Lord.
We bless you, holy Child.
We worship and adore.
Glory to God on high.

“Glory to God,” the angels sang.
Throughout the sky,
their voices rang.
They sang of peace,
goodwill on earth
They brought the news of Jesus’ birth.

And still, today, our praise we bring
a sweet “laudamus” to our king;
singing of peace,
good will on earth.
Glory to God, glory to God.
Glory to God for Jesus’ birth.

All on a Bethlehem Night

One quiet night when all was still,
a weary couple came to town.
And in a stall upon a hill,
great with child, the girl lay down.

And there was born the undefiled,
the Son of God, a tiny child.
And Mary sang her praise to God
all on a Bethlehem night.

Alleluia, what a night!
Alleluia, what a sight!
Alleluia, Christ is born!
All on a Bethlehem night.

Out in the field that special night,
shepherds watching o’er their sheep
saw in the sky a piercing light,
an angel woke them from their sleep.

“Be not afraid,” the angel said,
“for lying in a manger bed
is Christ the Lord, born unto you.”
All on a Bethlehem night.

That holy night when Christ was born,
God in the flesh came down to man.
This simple child, salvation’s horn
is now become redemption’s plan.

For on the night when God came down,
he laid aside his heav’nly crown
and took on flesh to bear my sin
All on a Bethlehem night.

♦CONGREGATION PRAISE

HYMN # 271 “JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE”

SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 1:39-55 ~ GILLIAN CARSON

MESSAGE: “THE SONG OF MARY” ~ PASTOR ED CHOA

The Song of Mary (Magnificat) is a message of

Luke 1:49 (NIV)

for the Mighty One has done great things for me— holy is his name.