

Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	Lo! How a Rose / David's City / Angels We Have Heard - Arr. Whitworth	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	Luke 2:13-15	Rev. Tim Valentino Shirley Long
Hymn	108: Angels from the Realms of Glory	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Rev. Tim Valentino
Scripture Readings		
The Old Testament Reading	Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3	Jim Danielson
The Response	Psalms 147:12-20	Jim Danielson/ Shirley Long
The Gospel Reading	John 1:1-18 (Please stand)	Jim Danielson
Worship in Giving	Luke 1:53	Rev. Tim Valentino
Prayer Hymn	111: Away in a Manger	Congregation
Prayer Led by Pastor		Rev. Tim Valentino
Hymns	107: Go Tell It on the Mountain 100: Gentle Mary Laid Her Child	
Sermon	There Is a Time for Everything (Ecclesiastes 3:11 Philippians 3:10)	Rev. John Smith
Response Hymn	206: The Church's One Foundation	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Tim Valentino
Postlude	Christmas Joy - Franklin Ritter	Pat Shroff

Hospital Visitor This Week: Faye Hipkiss, 717-813-4638

Lector	Jim Danielson	Children's Church Leader	Deb Smith
Responder	Shirley Long	Nursery	Christie & Dave Dennis
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist, Vocalist	Marcy Garman, Sonya Valentino	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Guitarist	Scott Auchenbach	Counters (December)	Shirley Long, Grace Miller
Vocalist	Susie Auchenbach	Director of Buildings & Grounds	Will Robertson
Hymn Leader, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan	Guest Speaker	Rev. John Smith

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Call to Worship: Luke 2:13-15

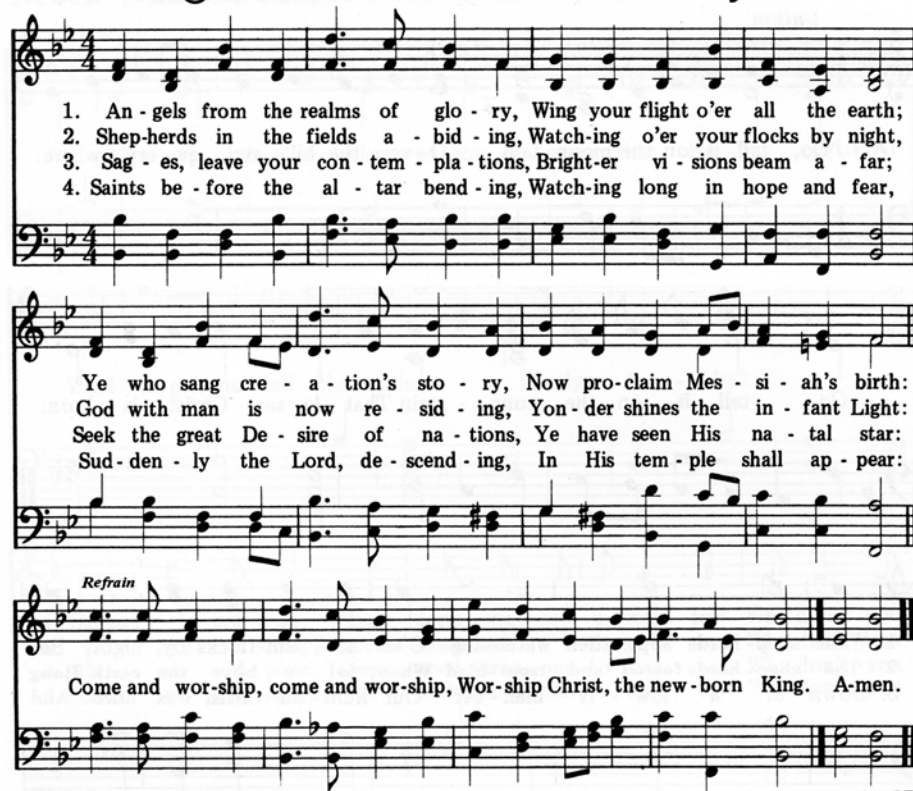
¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ **“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those
on whom his favor rests.”**

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another,

**“Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing
that has happened,
which the Lord has told us about.”**

108 Angels from the Realms of Glory



WORDS: James Montgomery, 1816
MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1867

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The Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3**

¹⁰ I delight greatly in the LORD;
my soul rejoices in my God.
For he has clothed me with garments
of salvation and arrayed me in a
robe of his righteousness,
as a bridegroom adorns his head like
a priest, and as a bride adorns
herself with her jewels.
¹¹ For as the soil makes the sprout
come up and a garden causes
seeds to grow,
so the Sovereign LORD will make
righteousness and praise spring up
before all nations.
^{62:1} For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
for Jerusalem's sake I will not
remain quiet,
till her vindication shines out like
the dawn, her salvation like
a blazing torch.
² The nations will see your vindication,
and all kings your glory;
you will be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD
will bestow.
³ You will be a crown of splendor
in the LORD's hand, a royal
diadem in the hand of your God.

The Response: Psalm **147:12-20**

¹² Extol the LORD, Jerusalem;
praise your God, Zion.
¹³ **He strengthens the bars
of your gates and blesses
your people within you.**
¹⁴ He grants peace to your
borders and satisfies you
with the finest of wheat.
¹⁵ **He sends his command
to the earth; his word
runs swiftly.**
¹⁶ He spreads the snow like
wool and scatters the
frost like ashes.
¹⁷ **He hurls down his
hail like pebbles.
Who can withstand
his icy blast?**
¹⁸ He sends his word and melts
them; he stirs up his breezes,
and the waters flow.
¹⁹ **He has revealed his word
to Jacob, his laws and
decrees to Israel.**
²⁰ He has done this for no
other nation;
they do not know his laws.

Praise the LORD.

PLEASE STAND:

The Gospel Lesson: **John 1:1-18**

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was
with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the
beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him
nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and
that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the
darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John.
⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that
through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light;
he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming
into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world
was made through him, the world did not recognize him.
¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not
receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who
believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of
God—¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human
decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among
us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son,
who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying,
“This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes
after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”) ¹⁶
Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of
grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses;
grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has
ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God
and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him
known.

Worship in Giving: Luke 1:53

⁵³ He has filled the hungry with good things
but has sent the rich away empty.

111 Away in a Manger

Unison

1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed, The lit - tle Lord
 2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the Ba - by a - wakes, But lit - tle Lord
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask Thee to stay Close by me for -

Je - sus laid down His sweet head; The stars in the bright sky looked
 Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes. I love Thee, Lord Je - sus, look
 ev - er, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear chil - dren in

down where He lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
 down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
 Thy ten - der care, And fit us for heav - en, to live with Thee there.

107 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Unison

(Ref.) Go, tell it on the moun - tain, O - ver the hills and ev - ery - where;

Fine

Go, tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born.

1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing O'er si - lent flocks by night, Be -
 2. The shep - herds feared and trem - bled When, lo! a - bove the earth Rang
 3. Down in a low - ly man - ger Our hum - ble Christ was born, And

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hold, through - out the heav - ens There shone a ho - ly light.
 out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
 God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

100 Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

1. Gen - tle Ma - ry laid her Child Low - ly in a man - ger;
 2. An - gels sang a - bout His birth; Wise Men sought and found Him;
 3. Gen - tle Ma - ry laid her Child Low - ly in a man - ger;

There He lay, the un - de - filed, To the world a stran - ger:
 Heav - en's star shone bright - ly forth, Glo - ry all a - round Him:
 He is still the un - de - filed, But no more a stran - ger:

Such a Babe in such a place, Can He be the Sav - ior?
 Shep - herds saw the won - drous sight, Heard the an - gels sing - ing;
 Son of God, of hum - ble birth, Beau - ti - ful the sto - ry;

Ask the saved of all the race Who have found His fa - vor.
 All the plains were lit that night, All the hills were ring - ing.
 Praise His name in all the earth, Hail the King of glo - ry!

206 The Church's One Foundation



1. The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth,
 3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der Men see her sore op - pressed,
 4. Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, And tu - mult of her war,
 5. Yet she on earth hath un - ion With God, the Three in One,

She is His new cre - a - tion, By wa - ter and the word:
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion, One Lord, one faith, one birth;
 By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed:
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more;
 And mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion With those whose rest is won:

From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
 Yet saints their watch are keep - ing, Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es, With ev - ery grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
 Like them, the meek and low - ly, On high may dwell with Thee. A-men.

WORDS: Samuel J. Stone, 1868
 MUSIC: Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

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* Sign-up Sheet
 in the Narthex

LOOKING AHEAD

Important!

TODAY after worship • Brief CONGREGATIONAL MEETING • Sanctuary

Sunday, January 4 @ 10:30 a.m. SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION • Sanctuary

Sunday, January 4 @ 1:00 p.m. EPIPHANY PARTY at the Valentinos
 221 West Jackson Avenue, Myerstown

Wednesday, January 7 @ 7:00 p.m. SPECIAL CONCERT OF PRAYER • Sanctuary

Thursday, January 8 @ 7:00 p.m. WOMEN OF FAITH • Student Lounge
MEN OF ADVENTURE • home of Kirby Keller

Monday, January 12 @ 6:30 p.m. MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING • Zinn Commons

Sunday, January 18 @ noon CHURCH DINNER • Zinn Commons *

Please sign up to attend and/or bring food.

SHARING CUPBOARD NEEDS

- Spaghetti Sauce • Canned Fruit • Soup • Cereal
- Snack Foods • Peanut Butter • Corn • Chips & Pretzels
- Cookies & Crackers • Spaghetti • Liquid & Bar Soap
- Toothpaste • Women's Care Items

PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you have any prayer requests for distribution,
 please send them to Pastor Tim at
pastortim@christcomm.church
 or (484) 269-4313.

PASTOR'S DAY OFF EACH WEEK Wednesday is Pastor Tim's day off, spending precious time with his grandsons. We would like to honor his schedule and not contact him that day, unless it is a dire emergency. Please email Maureen Logan at office@christcomm.church, or call her at 717-304-0116 if necessary on Wednesdays. Otherwise, hold your communication until Thursday. Pastor Tim will faithfully contact you then.

Start collecting for VBS Crafts & Decorations!

- Paper towel rolls • Toilet paper rolls • Wrapping paper rolls