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A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Our Lord's Day – December 18, 2022
Half Past Ten o'clock in the Morning

WESTMINSTER STRIKE

As the hour is pealed, we join with our virtual worshipping community.

VOLUNTARY

Nowell

Michael Cox

†PROCESSIONAL CAROL

ADESTE FIDELIS



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. God of ___ God, ___ Light ___ of ___ Light,
3. Sing choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing,



come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; Come and be -
Lo! he ab - hors ___ not the Vir - gin's womb; Ve - ry ___
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n ___ a - bove: Glo - ry to
Je - sus, to thee ___ be ___ glo - ry giv'n; Word of the



hold him Born the King of An - gels:
God, Be - got - ten, not cre - a - ted: *O come, let us a - dore him, O*
God ___ in ___ the ___ high - est:
Fa - ther, Now in flesh ap - pear - ing:



come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!





INTERCESSORY PRAYER

*The people will respond where there is **bold print**.*

Rev. Amy Santamaria
Chaplain, Tampa General Hospital

Beloved in Christ, it is our duty and delight
to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the angels,
and to go in heart and mind to Bethlehem,
and see this thing which has come to pass,
and the babe lying in a manger.

Therefore let us hear again from the holy scriptures
the tale of the loving purposes of God
and the glorious redemption brought us by this holy child;
and let us make this house of prayer
glad with our carols of praise.
But first, because this of all things would rejoice Jesus' heart,
let us pray to him for the needs of the whole world,
and all his people;
for peace upon the earth he came to save;
for love and unity within the one Church he did build;
for goodwill among all peoples.
And particularly at this time, let us remember the poor,
the cold, the hungry, the oppressed;
the sick and them that mourn; the lonely and the unloved;
the aged and the little children;
and all who do not know the Lord Jesus, or do not love him,
or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.
Lastly, let us remember all those who rejoice with us,
but upon another shore and in a greater light,
that multitude which no one can number,
whose hope was in the Word made flesh,
and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we forevermore are one.
These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven,
in the words that Christ himself has taught us:

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever.
Amen.





LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF LOVE Keith & Nancy, Laura and Tess Meyer

The candles of hope, peace, and joy have been lighted as we made our Advent journey.

We hear the song of the Angels and our hearts leap for joy.

We dream of trees that glisten and glitter with shiny ornaments and lights.

We dream of sunrises that bring the dawn of a new day bursting with light.

We dream of family gatherings with dinners that feel like home.

We dream of worship that draws us to the mystical sacred message of hope.

We dream of a world ruled by love and peace.

Today, we draw near to Christmas, lighting the candle of love.

May this light burn bright as remember that He comes and He is love.

God with us.

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Today we receive the Christmas Joy Offering.

*Contributions are equally distributed among three missions:
the Diaconate of Peace Memorial, which provides financial assistance
to needy parishioners and neighbors;*

*educational opportunities for racial and ethnic minority students;
financial assistance to pastors and other faithful workers within the PCUSA.*

OFFERTORY

In the Bleak Midwinter

Jen Wagner

Dior Dollmont, Soprano Soloist

Text: Glory to God, Carol 144

†DOXOLOGY

CRANHAM

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;
yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION





FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 9:2, 6-7

Laura Meyer

The prophet foretells the coming of the Savior.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

George Frederick Handel

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her,
that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness;
prepare ye the way of the Lord;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Ev'ry valley shall be exalted,
and ev'ry moutain and hill made low;
the crooked straight and the rough places plain.

– Isaiah 40:1-4

Kevin Nickorick, Tenor Soloist





SECOND LESSON: ISAIAH 11:1-4A, 6-9

Elizabeth Santamaria

A little child will lead them.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Timothy Shaw

Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, Love divine;
Love was born at Christmas;
star and angel gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,
Love incarnate, Love divine;
worship we our Jesus,
But wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token;
love be yours and love me mine;
love to God and neighbor,
love for plea and gift and sign.

– Christina Rossetti





THIRD LESSON: LUKE 1:26-33, 38A, 39-42, 46A

Jacob Santamaria

An angel appears to Mary.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will have no end." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." And Mary sang:

The Word of the Lord according to Saint Luke.
Praise be to God.

MAGNIFICAT

Arlen Clarke

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth, all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him:
through generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from the seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel.
As he promised to our fore fathers, Abraham and his seed forever.





NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy Word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.

GLORIA

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.

FOURTH LESSON: LUKE 2:1-7

Samuel Santamaria

Mary gives birth in Bethlehem.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

This is the Word of the Lord according to Saint Luke.
Praise be to God.

ANTHEM

Michael Haydn

Run, ye shepherds, to the light!
For joyful news I carry.
Joy fills all the starry night,
come quickly, do not tarry!

In lowly manger bare come see the Infant there,
a child, the King of Glory!
With all your might, rush toward the light,
the star of ancient story.

– Elwood Jay Johnson





FIFTH LESSON: LUKE 2:18-16

Tess Meyer

Angels announce the Messiah.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

This is the Word of the Lord according to Saint Luke.

Praise be to God.





†CAROL

THE FIRST NOWELL



All 1. The first No - well the an - gel did say Was to
Higher Voices 2. They look - ed_ up and saw_ a star, Shin-ing
Lower Voices 3. Then en - ter'd in those wise_ men three, Full_
All 4. Then let_ us all with one_ ac - cord Sing



cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay; In
in_ the east,_ be - yond them far; And
re - v'rent - ly_ up - on_ their knee, And
prai - ses to_ our heav'n - ly Lord, That



fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep, In a cold win - ter's
to_ the earth it gave_ great light, And_ so it con -
off - er'd there in_ his_ pre - sence Their_ gold_ and
hath_ made heav'n and earth_ of naught, And with_ his



night_ that was_ so deep:
tin - ued both day_ and night: *No - well, No - well, No - well, No -*
myrrh_ and frank - in - cense.
blood_ man - kind_ hath bought:



well, Born is the King of Is - ra - el!





SIXTH LESSON: MATTHEW 2:1-11

Madison Black

Magi come from the East.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This is the Word of the Lord according to Saint Matthew.

Praise be to God.





†CAROL

PIAE CANTIONES



All 1. Un - to us is born a Son,
All 2. Christ, from heav'n des - cend - ing low,
Lower Voices 3. This did He - rod sore af - fray,
Higher Voices 4. Of his love and mer - cy mild
All 5. O and A, and A and O, *Cum*



King of quires su - per - nal: See on earth his
 Comes on earth a stran - ger; Ox and ass their
 grie - vous - ly be - wild - er, So he gave the
 This the Christ - mas sto - ry; And O that Mar - y's
cant - i - bus in cho - ro, Let our mer - ry



life be - gun, Of lords the Lord e - ter - nal, of
 own - er know, Be - cra - dled in the man - ger, be -
 word to slay, and slew the lit - tle chil - der, And
 gen - tle Child might lead us up to glo - ry, might
 or - gan go, *Be - ne - di - ca - mus Do - mi - no, be -*



lords the Lord e - ter - nal.
 cra - dled in the man - ger.
 slew the lit - tle chil - der.
 lead us up to glo - ry.
ne - di - ca - mus Do - mi - no.





SEVENTH LESSON: JOHN 1:1-14

Rev. Miguel Santamaria

And the Word became flesh. Clinical Pastoral Education Supervisor, Morton Plant Hospital

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

This is the Word of the Lord according to Saint John.

Praise be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Noël Allemand: Allegro – Adagio – Allegro

Michel Corrette

GREETING AND HAPPENINGS

Timothy Belk

†PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The people exchange visual signs of peace with those around them.

The peace of the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
and Everlasting Father be with you.

Thanks be to God.

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

Rev. Scott

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted, honor everyone;
love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you always.

Amen.





† RECEPTIONAL CAROL

MENDELSSOHN

1. Hark! the he - rald an - gels sing — Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the e - ver -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! — Hail the Sun of

new - born King; Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, —
last - ing Lord, Late in time be - hold him comes, —
Right - eous - ness! Light and life to all he brings, —

God and sin - ners re - con - ciled: Joy - ful all ye na - tions rise, —
Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb: Veiled in flesh the God - head see, —
Risen with heal - ing in his wings; Mild he lays his glo - ry by, —

Join the tri - umph of the skies, — with th'an - gel - ic
hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! — Pleased with man as
Born that man no more may die, — Born to raise the

host pro - claim, Christ is — born in Beth - le - hem.
man to dwell, Je - sus, — our Em - man - u - el.
sons of earth, Born to — give them se - cond birth.

Hark! the he - rald an - gels sing Glo - ry — to the new - born King.

† VOLUNTARY

Messiah, HWV 56: Hallelujah

George Frederick Handel

The people will please remain standing in a spirit of reverence.



for the Glory of God...

† The People will please stand in body and spirit as they are able.

Sharing in the leadership of worship with Rev. Bob Scott, Pastor are:

Liturgists Madison Black; Laura and Tess Meyer;

Revs. Amy & Miguel, Elizabeth, Jacob, and Samuel Santamaria;

Members of the Chancel Choir;

Jeffrey Smick, First Violin; Jina Lee, Second Violin;

Caitlin Springer, Viola; Laura Smith, Cello; Jeffrey Stephenson, Oboe;

Timothy Belk, Director of Music Ministries and Organist.

An informal gathering immediately follows in Roebling Hall.

The Chancel flowers, greens and Font adornment are presented

to the Glory of God in honor of the faith community

of Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church

by the James L. Belk Jr. Family,

and Alex and Grayson Berg.

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Please join us on the Winter Solstice, December 21

as we offer a simple complimentary meal of soup and salad,

and Vespers in Roebling Hall at six o'clock in the evening.

No reservation is required.

*Noon Recitals are offered this joyful Christmastide and Epiphany Season
on Wednesdays December 28 and January 4 for those seeking a haven of peace.*

Please join us the First Sunday of Christmas, January 1, 2023

as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion

on our Lord's Day at half past ten o'clock in the morning.

*The church office will be closed Monday, December 26 and Tuesday, December 27
in observance of Christmas; Monday, January 2 and Tuesday, January 3
in observance of the New Year.*

*In accordance with IRS Guidelines, charitable contributions for the 2022 Fiscal Year
received or postmarked on or before December 31 will be reflected
on Annual Contribution Statements.*

The poinsettias are presented to the Glory of God

in memory of

The Allen Family
William "Bill" Bivin
The Candler Family
The Coachman Family
My husband, Bob Coleman
Ron Dees
The Dees & Horsey Family
My wife, Linda and daughter, Amy Duff
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James Winston Grieve
Peg & Roger H. Havens
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My father, Scott Bennett Ingram
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Wilbur C. Manning
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Family Members: sisters Sue and Kathy
Family Members: parents and grandparents
Family Members
Family Members: aunts, cousins, friends, uncles
Family Members
My parents, Betty & Bert Munro
My brother, Randy Munro
Carlos Rodriguez
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Lo! He Comes...



Christmas Eve at Peace Memorial

Children's Tableau

Saturday, December 24

Four o'clock in the Afternoon

Dave & Julie and Jack Bostick, trio

A Festival Service of Light

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Seven o'clock in the Evening

Rev. Robert Scott, preaching

Gabrielle Pitchford Zenk, soprano soloist

*Music for the Holy Night begins thirty-minutes prior to the service hour.
Worshippers are invited to gather in a spirit of reverence.*



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