



# SOUTH CLT PRES CHURCH

**Sunday, December 4, 2022**

Lessons & Carols

**Welcome**

Worship Director Bobby Girard

## **Worship in Song**

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH  
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SWEETLY SINGING O'ER THE PLAINS  
AND THE MOUNTAINS IN REPLY  
ECHOING THEIR JOYOUS STRAINS

GLORIA  
IN EXCELSIS DEO  
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SHEPHERDS WHY THIS JUBILEE  
WHY YOUR JOYOUS STRAINS PROLONG  
WHAT THE GLADSOME TIDINGS BE  
WHICH INSPIRE YOUR HEAV'NLY SONG

COME TO BETHLEHEM AND SEE  
CHRIST WHOSE BIRTH THE ANGELS SING  
COME ADORE ON BENDED KNEE  
CHRIST THE LORD THE NEWBORN KING

SEE HIM IN A MANGER LAID  
WHOM THE CHOIRS OF ANGELS PRAISE  
MARY JOSEPH LEND YOUR AID  
WHILE OUR HEARTS IN LOVE WE RAISE

**Call to Worship**

*John 1:1-5*

Pastor Josh Creason

LEADER: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**PEOPLE: He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.**

LEADER: In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

**ALL: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

### Worship in Song

O COME O COME EMMANUEL

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL,  
AND RANSOM CAPTIVE ISRAEL  
THAT MOURNS IN LONELY EXILE HERE,  
UNTIL THE SON OF GOD APPEAR

REJOICE! REJOICE!  
EMMANUEL SHALL COME TO THEE, O ISRAEL

O COME, THOU ROD OF JESSE, FREE  
THINE OWN FROM SATAN'S TYRANNY  
FROM DEPTHS OF HELL THY PEOPLE SAVE  
AND GIVE THEM VICTORY O'ER THE GRAVE

O COME, THOU DAYSPRING FROM ON HIGH  
AND CHEER US BY THY DRAWING NIGH  
DISPERSE THE GLOOMY CLOUDS OF NIGHT  
AND DEATH'S DARK SHADOWS PUT TO FLIGHT

O COME, THOU KEY OF DAVID, COME  
AND OPEN WIDE OUR HEAV'NLY HOME  
MAKE SAFE THE WAY THAT LEADS ON HIGH  
AND CLOSE THE PATH TO MISERY

SHALL COME TO THEE, O ISRAEL

### Scripture Reading

*John 1:9-13*

Pastoral Intern Rob Jones

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He

came to his own, and his own people[b] did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

### Worship in Song

COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS  
COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS  
BORN TO SET THY PEOPLE FREE  
FROM OUR FEARS AND SINS RELEASE US  
LET US FIND OUR REST IN THEE  
ISRAEL'S STRENGTH AND CONSOLATION  
HOPE OF ALL THE EARTH THOU ART  
DEAR DESIRE OF EVERY NATION  
JOY OF EVERY LONGING HEART

BORN THY PEOPLE TO DELIVER  
BORN A CHILD AND YET A KING  
BORN TO REIGN IN US FOREVER  
NOW THY GRACIOUS KINGDOM BRING  
BY THINE OWN ETERNAL SPIRIT  
RULE IN ALL OUR HEARTS ALONE  
BY THINE ALL SUFFICIENT MERIT  
RAISE US TO THY GLORIOUS THRONE

### Scripture Reading

*Isaiah 9:2-7*

Elder Kyle Musgrove

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shone.  
You have multiplied the nation;  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.  
For the yoke of his burden,  
and the staff for his shoulder,  
the rod of his oppressor,

you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be burned as fuel for the fire.  
For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore.  
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

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### **Worship in Song**

#### 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 CRADLE 'TIL 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**

*Luke 2:1-7*

Pastoral Intern Felipe Heringer

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And

all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

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**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

### **Worship in Song**

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL, JOYFUL AND TRIUMPHANT!

O COME YE, O COME YE TO BETHLEHEM

COME AND BEHOLD HIM, BORN THE KING OF ANGELS

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

CHRIST THE LORD

GOD OF GOD, LIGHT OF LIGHT

LO! HE ABHORS NOT THE VIRGIN'S WOMB

VERY GOD, BEGOTTEN, NOT CREATED

SING CHOIRS OF ANGELS! SING IN EXULTATION!

SING ALL YE CITIZENS OF HEAVEN ABOVE

GLORY TO GOD! ALL GLORY IN THE HIGHEST

YEA, LORD, WE GREET THEE, BORN THIS HAPPY MORNING;

JESUS, TO THEE BE ALL GLORY GIV'N;

WORD OF THE FATHER, NOW IN FLESH APPEARING

### **Scripture Reading**

Pastor Josh Creason

*Luke 2:8-20*

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths 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, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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### **Worship in Song**

#### LOVE CAME DOWN

IF MY HEART IS OVERWHELMED  
AND I CANNOT HEAR YOUR VOICE  
I'LL HOLD ON TO WHAT IS TRUE THOUGH I CANNOT SEE  
IF THE STORMS OF LIFE THEY COME  
AND THE ROAD AHEAD GETS STEEP  
I WILL LIFT THESE HANDS IN FAITH I WILL BELIEVE

I'LL REMIND MYSELF OF ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE  
AND THE LIFE I HAVE BECAUSE OF YOUR SON

LOVE CAME DOWN AND RESCUED ME  
LOVE CAME DOWN AND SET ME FREE  
AND I AM YOURS I AM FOREVER YOURS  
MOUNTAIN HIGH OR VALLEY LOW  
I SING OUT REMIND MY SOUL  
THAT I AM YOURS I AM FOREVER YOURS

WHEN MY HEART IS FILLED WITH HOPE  
AND EV'RY PROMISE COMES MY WAY  
WHEN I FEEL YOUR HANDS OF GRACE REST UPON ME  
STAYING DESP'RATE FOR YOU GOD  
STAYING HUMBLED AT YOUR FEET  
I WILL LIFT THESE HANDS AND PRAISE I WILL BELIEVE

'CAUSE I AM YOURS AND I AM YOURS  
FOR ALL MY DAYS JESUS I AM YOURS  
AND I AM YOURS AND I AM YOURS

FOR ALL MY DAYS JESUS I AM YOURS

(OH) I AM YOURS I AM YOURS  
ALL MY DAYS JESUS I AM YOURS

## Prayers of the People

Elder Nate Groelsema

## Scripture Reading

Pastor Dean Faulkner

*John 1:14-18*

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.' ") For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

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## Homily

Pastor Dean Faulkner

Seeing Christma

*John 1:14-18*

## Song of Response

SILENT NIGHT

SILENT NIGHT HOLY NIGHT  
ALL IS CALM ALL IS BRIGHT  
ROUND YON VIRGIN MOTHER AND CHILD  
HOLY INFANT SO TENDER AND MILD  
SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE  
SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

SILENT NIGHT HOLY NIGHT  
SHEPHERDS QUAKE AT THE SIGHT  
GLORIES STREAM FROM HEAVEN AFAR  
HEAV'NLY HOSTS SING ALLELUIA  
CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN  
CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN

SILENT NIGHT HOLY NIGHT  
SON OF GOD LOVE'S PURE LIGHT  
RADIANT BEAMS FROM THY HOLY FACE

WITH THE DAWN OF REDEEMING GRACE  
JESUS LORD AT THY BIRTH  
JESUS LORD AT THY BIRTH

SILENT NIGHT HOLY NIGHT  
WONDROUS STAR LEND THY LIGHT  
WITH THE ANGELS LET US SING  
ALLELUIA TO OUR KING  
CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN  
CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN

**Benediction**

Pastor Dean Faulkner