



FROM
GENERATION
TO GENERATION...
God dwells with us



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Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Christmas Day

December 25, 2022

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*God of all generations,
though signs and seasons change,
your promise is faithful
and your word will never pass away.
Give us courage and strength
as we watch and wait
for Jesus Christ, our redeemer,
who is coming in glory to reign. Amen*

WELCOME

PRELUDE Of the Father's Love Begotten Noel Rawsthorne

CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONG OF PRAISE O Come, All Ye Faithful Hymnal, No. 133

*CONFESSION AND PARDON Vince Leseney

Together we pray:
Forgive us for extinguishing hope.

Together we pray:
Forgive us for extinguishing peace.

Together we pray:
Forgive us for extinguishing joy.

Together we pray:
Forgive us for extinguishing love.
(Time of silent reflection)

*THE PEACE
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE Gloria (refrain only) Hymnal, No. 113
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING		Page No. 833
	Luke 2:15-21	
	The Word of the Lord.	
	Thanks be to God.	
SCRIPTURE READING		Page No. 862
	Poetic Reading of John 1:1-5	
MESSAGE	God Dwells With Us	Tracy L. Evans
*SONG OF FAITH	God Became Flesh with Us to Dwell	Bulletin, p. 6
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		
	Like Mary,	
	we believe in cherishing good news.	
	Like the angels,	
	we believe in singing God's praise.	
	Like the shepherds,	
	we believe that God's presence in our life is something worth talking about.	
	Like generations before,	
	we believe that God is with us.	
	Like the generations to come,	
	we believe that God is with us.	
	God is here. God is love.	
	We believe. Thanks be to God!	
SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS		
	The Lord's Prayer	Hymnal, p. 35
THE OFFERING		
	OFFERTORY	
*DOXOLOGY	Doxology (Verse 4)	Hymnal, No. 143
	All creation join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son, evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One: come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!	
PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
*SENDING SONG	Joy to the World	Hymnal, No. 134
*BLESSING AND CHARGE		
*POSTLUDE	Grand Fantasia on Joy to the World	Marc Cheban

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant; O come
 2 True God from true God, Light from light e - ter - nal, born
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels; sing in ex - ul - ta - tion; sing,
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing; Je -

ye; O come ye to Beth - le - hem! Come, and be - hold him,
 of a vir - gin, a mor - tal he comes; ver - y God, be -
 all ye cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove! Glo - ry to God, all
 sus, to thee be all glo - ry given; Word of the Fa - ther,

Refrain

born the King of an - gels!
 got - ten, not cre - at - ed! O come, let us a - dore him; O come, let
 glo - ry in the high - est!
 now in flesh ap - pear - ing!

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



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God Became Flesh With Us to Dwell

THE FIRST NOEL Irr. with refrain

Text: Anna Strickland (2022)

Music: Traditional English carol

From A - Ga - li - lee to Beth - le - hem Did
The A - bid - ing in the as the fields - le - hem night The
shep - herds went as the an - gels had said To a

Ma - ry and Jo - seph their jour - ney be - gin Many miles from
shep - herds in saw a with ra - diant light When an - gels as
man - ger town with haste they sped And there as

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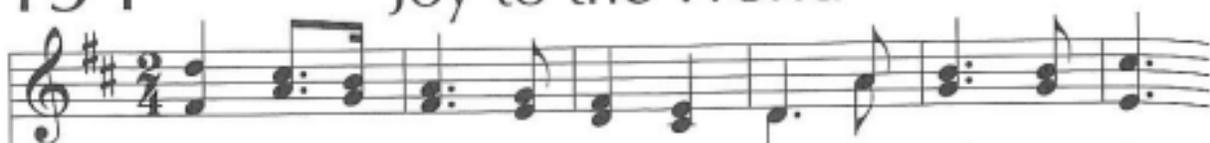
home came earth with - out fill heav - en a the con - room sky verged Em - Break - ing man - u - el in - shared with the

came forth from earth par - ents from all Ma - ry's heav - en that had on oc - womb high curred No - el, no - el, no -

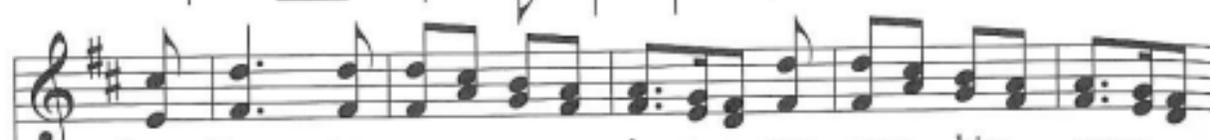
el, no - el God be - came flesh with us to dwell

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Joy to the World



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their songs
 3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na -



her king; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
 em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness



and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
 and heaven and na - ture sing,



sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.



heaven and na - ture sing,