
Park Cities Presbyterian Church

December 24, 2002
5:00 p.m.

Order for the Worship of God
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Christmas Eve Family Service

Gathering Music

Marisa Dillahunty, *Harp*

Christmas Greeting

The Rev. Tim Tinsley

Call to Worship

Minister: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace
and truth!

People: **We have beheld His glory! Alleluia!**

***Carol**

"Once in Royal David's City"
Kaitlin O'Hearn, *Solo*
Stanza 1

IRBY
text: Cecil Alexander, 1848

All: *Stanzas 2-5*

***Prayer of Adoration**

Kirk Williamson

***Carol**

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Adeste Fideles

Latin hymn

attr. to John F. Wade, 1751

***Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 9.6-7

Andrew Debter

Anthem

"He Is Born" and "Sing Noel"
Chapel Choir

Vicki H. Wright

Jason Tenpenny, *Piano*

Parker Benda, Miriam Braswell, Ashley Debter, Sarah Denton,

Daniel Foose, Laura Fulmer, Peyton Holcomb, Katie Johnson,

John Mueller, Mary Catherine Mueller, Christina Tanksley, *Handchimes*

Lindsey Fulmer, *Finger Cymbals*, Matthew Fray, *Conga*

He is born, the divine Christ Child, play the musette, play the tuneful oboe. He is born, the divine Christ Child, sing we all of the Savior mild. Through long ages of the past, prophets have foretold His coming; through long ages of the past, now the time has come at last! Jesus, Lord of all the world, coming as a child among us, Jesus, Lord of all the world grant to us Thy heav'nly peace.

Please join in singing when so directed.

***Carol**

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

Traditional French carol

***New Testament Reading**

Luke 1.26-33

Lauren Johnson

Anthem

"Angels' Carol"

John Rutter

Covenant Choir and High School Treble Voices

Erin Windrick, *Interpretive Movement*

Marisa Dillahunty, *Harp*

Have you heard the sound of the angel voices ringing out so sweetly, ringing out so clear? Have you seen the star shining out so brightly as a sign from God that Christ the Lord is here? Have you heard the news that they bring from heaven to the humble shepherds who have waited long? Gloria in excelsis Deo! Hear the angels sing their joyful song. He is come in peace in the winter's stillness like a gentle snowfall in the gentle night; He is come in joy like the sun at morning filling all the world with radiance and with light. He is come in love as the Child of Mary; in a simple stable we have seen His birth: Gloria in excelsis Deo! Hear the angels singing "Peace on earth." He will bring new light to a world in darkness like a bright star shining in the skies above; He will bring new hope to the waiting nations when He comes to reign in purity and love. Let the earth rejoice at the Saviour's coming; let the heavens answer with the joyful morn: Gloria in excelsis Deo! Hear the angels singing "Christ is born."

***New Testament Reading**

John 1.1-5, 14

Mark Lewis

Anthem

"From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

arr. Howard Helvey

Covenant Choir and High School Ensemble

text: Martin Luther

Alex McDonald, *Piano*

Suzann Bires, *Flute*; Rob Mowrey, *Viola*; David Fray, *Cello*

From heav'n above to earth I come to bear good news to ev'ry home; glad tidings of great joy I bring, whereof I now will say and sing. To you this night is born a child of Mary, chosen mother mild; this little child of lowly birth, shall be the joy of all the earth. Ah, dearest Jesus, Holy Child, make Thee a bed, sweet, soft and mild within my heart that it may be a quiet chamber kept for Thee. Glory to God in highest heav'n, who to the world His Son hath giv'n. While angels sing with holy mirth a glad new year to all the earth.

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Tinsley

***Carol**

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

MENDELSSOHN
text: Charles Wesley, 1739

Christmas Devotional

Mr. Tinsley

***Carol**

"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

ANTIOCH
text: Isaac Watts, 1719

**The Greeting of Christmas to the family
of Park Cities Presbyterian Church**

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Ryan

***Blessing**

Minister: Glory be to Thee, O Father Almighty, who hast given us Thine only-begotten Son, that we might live through Him. Glory be to Thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, who became man that we might become sons of God. Glory be to Thee, O Holy Spirit, who directs and rules our hearts.

All: *(with a great voice)* **Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! Amen!**

**The Congregation stands.*

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There are baskets at the doorways for tonight's offering which will be given to the Ministerial Relief Fund of the Presbyterian Church in America to assist retired and disabled pastors and missionaries and their dependent children.

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

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