



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 24, 2006
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: First Sunday before the Incarnation

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Please turn off all communication devices.
Please do not bring food or drinks into the sanctuary.
Thank you.*

Welcome

Mr. Stephen Nielson, *Elder 8:00*
Dr. Mark Fulmer, *Elder 9:30/11:00*

Preparation for Worship

"In Dulci Jubilo"

Pearsall

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: My soul magnifies the LORD, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. His mercy is for those who fear Him from generation to generation.

People: **Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people.**

Luke 1.46-47, 50, 68

Minister: For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder;

People: **And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Isaiah 9.6

***Hymn of Praise No. 218** *"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"*

REGENT SQUARE

***Prayer of Adoration**

Mr. Davis

We confess that God has fulfilled the promise which He made to the fathers by the mouth of His holy prophets, when He sent into the world, at the time appointed by Him, His own only-begotten and eternal Son, who took upon Him the form of a servant and became like unto man, really assuming the true human nature with all its infirmities, sin excepted; being conceived in the womb of the blessed virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit without the means of man; and did not only assume human nature as to the body, but also a true human soul, that He might be a real man. For since the soul was lost as well as the body, it was necessary that He should take both upon Him, to save both. Therefore we confess that in truth He is our IMMANUEL, that is to say, God with us.

*Carols of Praise

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

GO TELL IT

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, through out the heavens there shone a holy light. (*Refrain*)

Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. (*Refrain*)

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

W ZLOBIE LEZY

Infant holy, infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ, the Babe, is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the Babe is Lord of all. Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping: shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new.
Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

IN DULCI JUBILO

Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;
Earth and heav'n before Him bow, and He is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain His everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Public Confession of Sin

O Lord, I marvel that You purposed to become flesh so that You might be crucified, dead, and buried for me. The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and You are risen! Grant me to die with You that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that I might not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. Purge me from selfishness, pride, the fear of man, the desire to be cultivated or modern. Grant me to stand with my dying Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to hold to unpopular truths. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Mary gave birth to a Son, and she gave Him the name Jesus, because He would save His people from their sins. To all who receive Him, to those who believe in His Name, He gives the right to become children of God.

Matthew 1.21, John 1.12

*Hymn No. 229

9:30 and 11:00

“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”

TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Will Nielsen 8:00

Dr. Pete Deison 9:30

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

“Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor”

arr. Wood

Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

9:30/11:00

“Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain”

C. Jennings

Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

from Isaiah 40

Name, *Solo*

*Climb to the top of the highest mountain, joyous tidings proclaim to the world,
Lift up your voice, shout the good news: Behold, your Lord comes to you.*

*He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will carry the lambs in His arms,
He will ever keep them safe from harm. Behold, your Lord comes to you.*

*He who made the stars in the heaven, He who fashioned the earth and the sea
From time eternal, He was God, the Alpha and Omega, He. Behold, your Lord!*

*He will come in power and glory, He will rule with mercy and truth,
Hope of all the nations, Light of all the world!*

*He will love the little children, He will hold them in His arms.
Love Him and trust Him as a Child, behold, your Lord comes to you.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill towards men. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

The Service of Friendship

If you are seated on the left end of the pew, please take the Service of Friendship pad, fill out the information and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the pew, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.

*The Scripture Reading

Luke 2.8-20

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" ¹⁵ 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." ¹⁶ And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷ And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this Child. ¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰ And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Morning Sermon

"Through the eyes of a Shepherd"

Mr. Davis

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue on page 5

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and singing:

Please stand.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-
 san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing**

***The Words of Institution**

The Communion

*Please come forward down the center aisle.
 Partake of the elements upon receiving them from the elders.
 Return to your seat with your empty cup via the side aisle.*

During the Serving of Communion

Please use the following Scripture for private meditation.

Luke 1.46-55

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has looked on the humble estate of His servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is for those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; He has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to His offspring forever."

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue here

***Closing Hymn No. 203 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN**

***Benediction**

Minister: May Jesus Christ, the sun of righteousness, who comes with healing in His wings, fill you with joy and peace that passes all understanding. The blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**The congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Helen Deering and in memory of Bob Deering by Amy, Jeff and Brooks Loukas.

Personal Prayer and Counsel

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.” Romans 12.10, 12, 13

We want so much to come alongside you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please join us in the Parlor (north of Fellowship Hall) following the worship service where our Elders and prayer leaders are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.

Christmas Eve Services

Family Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 pm

Traditional Service at 10:00 pm
Music begins at 9:40 pm

**— Looking Ahead —
Preaching Schedule**

December 31, 2006
The Rev. Tim Tinsley
PCPC Associate Minister, Disciplemaking and Evangelism

January 7, 2007
The Rev. Tim Tinsley
Communion in all services

January 14, 2007
The Rev. Randy Pope
Perimeter Church, Deluth, Georgia

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PASTORS

Pete Deison, *Disciplemaking*
Tim Tinsley, *Disciplemaking and Evangelism*
Rob Allen, *Administration*
Ron Williams, *60+ Community and Pastoral Care*
Mark Davis, *Youth and Family*
Bill Lamberth, *Families with Children*
Patrick Lafferty, *20+ Community*

RULING ELDERS

Session

John Bateman	John Harper	Irv Queal
Frank Bullock	John Hawkins	Tracy Taylor
Jack Denman	Jay Hohfeler	Bill Thomas
David Franklin	Kent Johnson	Steve Vanderhill
Mark Fulmer	Bill Mabus	
David Gowdey	Boots Nowlin	

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Bert Ehrmann	Don King	Steve Williamson
Bill Farrell	Mike McMahan	Arthur Wood

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MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

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(Elders not currently on the Session but active in ministry at Park Cities Presbyterian Church)

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