
PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DALLAS, TEXAS
December 24, 2014
5:00 pm

“The Gift of Gifts”

O SOURCE OF ALL GOOD,

*What shall I render to Thee for the gift of gifts,
Thine own dear Son, begotten, not created,
my Redeemer, proxy, surety, substitute,
His self-emptying incomprehensible,
His infinity of love beyond the heart’s grasp.*

Herein is wonder of wonders:

*He came below to raise me above,
was born like me that I might become like Him.*

Herein is love;

*when I cannot rise to Him He draws near on wings of grace,
to raise me to Himself.*

Herein is power;

*when Deity and humanity were infinitely apart
He united them in indissoluble unity, the uncreated and the created.*

Herein is wisdom;

*when I was undone, with no will to return to Him,
and no intellect to devise recovery,
He came, God-incarnate, to save me to the uttermost,
as man to die my death,
to shed satisfying blood on my behalf,
to work out a perfect righteousness for me,*

O God, take me in spirit to the watchful shepherds, and
enlarge my mind;

*let me hear good tidings of great joy,
and hearing, believe, rejoice, praise, adore,
my conscience bathed in an ocean of repose,
my eyes uplifted to a reconciled Father;*

place me with ox, camel, goat,

*to look with them upon my Redeemer’s face,
and in Him account myself delivered from sin;*

*let me with Simeon clasp the new-born Child to my heart,
embrace Him with undying faith,
exulting that He is mine and I am His.*

In Him Thou hast given me so much that heaven can give no more.

—The Valley of Vision

Order for the Worship of God

December 24, 2014

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Christmas Eve Family Service

Preparation for Worship "Go Tell It on the Mountain" *arr. John W. Work*
Stan Sanders, Colin Howland, Brian Piper, J. Marty Cope

Introit "Sing We Now of Jesus" *NOEL NOUVELET*
High School Ensemble and Covenant Choir *French Carol*
Julia Krog and Anna Thomas, handbells

*Sing we now of Jesus, born on Christmas Day. Sing we now of Jesus,
born on a bed of hay. Lift up your voice, with all the world rejoice;
sing we now of Jesus, born the world to save.*

***Call to Worship** The Rev. Mark Davis

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" *IRBY*

Stanza 1:

*Elizabeth Hatch, Kirsten Howland, Rebecca Howland, Claire Jennings, Julia Krog,
Virginia Krog, Florence Solomon, Anna Thomas, Lily Webster, Robyn Webster*

Choir 1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's_ ci - ty Stood a
All 2. He came down to earth_ from_ hea - ven Who is
All 3. And through all His won - drous child - hood He would
All 4. And our eyes at last_ shall_ see Him, Through His
All 5. Not in that poor low - ly_ sta - ble, With the
low - ly cat - tle_ shed, Where a mo - ther laid_ her_
God and Lord_ of_ all, And His shelt - er was_ a_
hon - or and_ o - bey, Love, and watch the low - ly_
own re - deem - ing_ love, For that child so dear_ and_
ox - en stand - ing_ by, We shall see Him; but_ in_
ba - by In a man - ger for_ His_ bed: Ma - ry
sta - ble, And His cra - dle was_ a_ stall; With the
mai - den In whose gen - tle arms_ He_ lay: Christ - ian
gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove; And He
hea - ven, set at God's right hand_ on_ high; When like
was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle_ child.
poor, and mean, and low - ly, Lived on earth our Sa - vior. ho - ly.
chil - dren all must be_ Mild, o - be - dient, good as_ He.
leads His chil - dren on_ To the place where He_ is_ gone.
stars His chil - dren crowned All in white shall wait a - round.

***Prayer of Adoration**

Mr. Davis

***Carol**

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

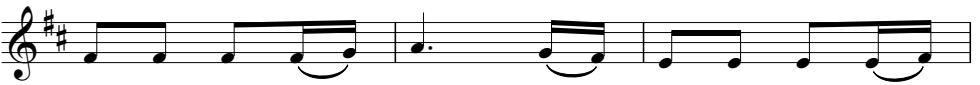
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1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re -
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sa - vior reigns: let men their
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the



ceive her King;___ let ev - ery_ heart_ pre - pare Him room, and
 songs em - ploy;___ while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains_ re -
 fest the ground;___ He comes to_ make_ His bless - ings flow_ far
 na - tions prove___ the glo - ries_ of___ His righ - teous - ness_ and



heav'n and na - ture_ sing, and_ heav'n and na - ture_
 peat the sound - ing_ joy, re - peat the sound - ing_
 as the curse is_ found, far_ as the curse is_
 won - ders of His_ love, and_ won - ders of His_



sing, and_ heav'n, and heav'n___ 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.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9.6-7

Mary Neuhoff
fifth grade

Anthem

“Away in a Manger”
Chapel Choir

CRADLE SONG
arr. Jeff Reeves

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head; the stars in the bright 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 till 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.

Anthem*“Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning”**Archer*

High School Ensemble and Covenant Choir

Rebecca Howland and Claire Ponder, *Interpretive Movement*

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid; star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our Infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on His cradle the dewdrops are shining; low lies His head with the beasts of the stall; angels adore Him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.

Say, so shall we yield Him in costly devotion, odours of Edom, and off’rings divine; gems of the mountains and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would His favour secure: richer by far is the heart’s adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

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***The Scripture Reading**

Haggai 2.6-7

For thus says the Lord of hosts: Yet once more, in a little while, I will shake the nations and the earth and the sea and the dry land. And I will shake all nations, so that the desire of all nations shall come in, and I will fill this house with glory, says the Lord of hosts.

Matthew 2.11

And going into the house wise men from the east saw the Child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshipped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Revelation 21.22, 24

And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb.... By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut – and there will be no night there.

Christmas Devotional*“The Desire of the Nations”**Mr. Scruggs*

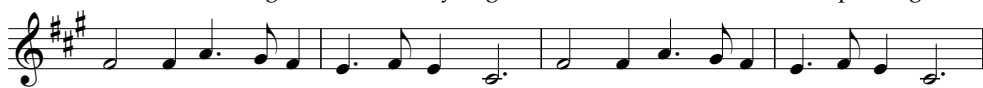
High School Ensemble and Covenant Choir

Spirit among us, shine like the star, with wings You enfold us, You speak of His love. Gentle on the ear, You whisper softly, rising in our hearts with the Son's love; Spirit moving through silent night, Spirit we wait for Your loving light.

Please join in singing when so directed.



1. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright
2. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight!
3. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light



round yon vir - gin moth-er and child. Ho - ly in-fant, so ten-der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav-en a - far, heav'n-ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia;
ra - diant beams from Thy ho - ly face, with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,



sleep in heav - en - ly peace,___ sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior is born!___ Christ, the Sav - ior is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth,___ Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

unison 1. O Come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
parts 2. God of God, Light of Light,
unison 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
unison 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 ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove; Glo - ry to
 Je - su, to Thee be all 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 -
 God in the high - est:
 Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing

Refrain

dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, O

come, let us a - dore Him, Christ the Lord!

*The Blessing

Mr. Scuggs

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!**

Postlude

“Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella”
Mr. Howland, *organ*

arr. Chapman

**The Congregation stands.*

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

Lynda Fray, *Director of Children's and Youth Choirs*

Colin Howland, *Director of Music and Organist*

J. Marty Cope, *Choir Director/Associate Organist*

Lexi Jones, *piano*

David Fray, *cello*

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a student of Margaret Kunkel.*

— Sermon Notes —

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