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A Holy Communion Service
December 4, 2022
11:00 A.M.



The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-Teacher

*Lay Leader: Christiana Ashong Worship Leader: Susan Small
Pianist: Kristi Helfen Drums: Ben Wilkinson Percussion: Sam Jones*

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME
+SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP **Hymn No. 103**
O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADVENT READING **Al & Austin Kittrell**

CHORAL RESPONSE **Hymn No. 100 (vs. 1, 2, 5)**
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Holy God, we confess that we are sinful creatures, utterly unable to live up to Your standards on our own. We also confess that we are prideful enough that we would like to think we can redeem ourselves if we just try a little harder...but we prove time and time again that we cannot. Help us to thoroughly accept Your forgiveness and to live each day in gratitude to You, relying on Your grace, extending grace to others and being continually re-made in Your image.*

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON **Lay Leader**

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

OFFERING OF PRAISE
*People of God
In Christ Alone*

+PASTORAL PRAYER

+APOSTLE'S CREED

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please remember the Samaritan Fund Ministry to non-members in distress in your giving this week. Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY **Kristi Helfen**
Waiting for Messiah
by Robert W. Thygerson

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Prince of Peace*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC **Chancel Choir**
Carol of the Kings
By Randy Vader
Arr. Camp Kirkland and Jay Rouse

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (*Children ages 4 & 5 and grades 1st-5th are dismissed to class*)

+SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

Isaiah 11:1-10

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

SERMON **Rev. Dr. Charles Wiley**
"The Earth Will Be Full"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (*See Insert*)

CLOSING HYMN **Hymn No. 124**
Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

BENEDICTION **People: Amen**

POSTLUDE: *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*
Prichard / Keveren

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.

GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.

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+No entry at this time. * *Prayers by Susan Small*

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead; I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church**, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

* In the original Creed "He descended into Hell" is inserted here.

** In the original Creed "the Holy catholic Church" is inserted here.

Our Vision

To build committed disciples who love Jesus Christ and live their lives to fulfill God's purposes.

OUR AFFIRMATIONS

Our Common Identity

Leader: Who Are We Crossroads?

All: We're the People of God

Our Common Purpose

Leader: Why Do We Exist as A Church?

All: To love God and worship Him.

To love and care for one another and to share the joys and the struggles of growing as a community seeking to bring glory to His name.

Our Common Mission and Witness

Leader: Why are we here?

All: We are here to joyfully worship and serve the Lord: to share the message of Jesus and the Gospel with all who will hear, through lives that demonstrate His love, mercy and justice in all of our relationships, in our communities, in our nation and in our world.

Leader: Crossroads, how can we be such a community?

All: By deciding to follow Jesus and to make a daily decision to live for God today. By earnestly studying His word and seeking to value what God values and to practice the principles found in His word.

Leader: Crossroads, for the Glory of God, let us live like this.

All: Amen

Our Mission

Our mission is to be a nurturing multicultural fellowship of growing Christians, committed to glorifying God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit – through worship, proclaiming Jesus Christ, witness and service in our communities, the nation and the world.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,
with joy we praise you and give thanks to your name. . .

Therefore, we lift our hearts in joyful praise,
joining our voices with choirs of angels,
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the Lord's name. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the Lord's name. Ho - san - na
in the high - est

We praise you, most holy God, for sending your only Son to live among us,
sharing our joy and sorrow. . . .

As you raised our Lord from death
and call us with him from death to life, we give ourselves
to you to live for him
in joy and grateful praise.

Christ has died Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a -
gain. Christ has died Christ is ris - en,
Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these your gifts of bread and wine. . . .
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, forever and ever.

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men,
A - men, A - men, A - men,
A - men, A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn No. 103

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, (3x)
Christ the Lord.

God of God, Light of light begotten,
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God, begotten, not created:
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above!
Glory to God, glory in the highest:
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy
morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
O come, let us adore Him, (3x)
Christ the Lord.

John Francis Wade

CHORAL RESPONSE

Hymn No. 100 (vs. 1, 2, 5)

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

Refrain:
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

Refrain

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind,
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease.
Fill all the world with heaven's peace.

Refrain

Thomas Helmore

PEOPLE OF GOD

With our lips
Let us sing one confession,
With our hearts
Hold to one truth alone;
For He has erased our transgression,
Claimed us and called us
His own, His very own.

Chorus:

We're the people of God,
Called by His name,
Called from the dark
And delivered from shame;
One holy race, saints ev'ryone,
Because of the blood
Of Christ Jesus, the Son.

Hear us, O spirits of darkness,
So you will know where we stand;
We are His servants, purchased with scars,
Bought by the blood of the Lamb,
The blood of the Lamb.

Chorus

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IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fulness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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OFFERTORY RESPONSE

PRINCE OF PEACE

Prince of Peace, come and reign,
Set Your feet on the mountain top again.
Take Your throne, rightful Lord.
Prince of Peace, come and reign forevermore.

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CLOSING HYMN *Hymn No. 124*

THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE

Thou didst leave Thy throne
And Thy kingly crown
When Thou camest to earth for me,
But in Bethlehem's home
Was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity:
O come to my heart Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee!

Heaven's arches rang
When the angels sang
Proclaiming Thy royal degree;
But in lowly birth
Thou didst come to earth,
And in great humility;
O come to my heart Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee!

The foxes found rest
And the birds their nest
In the shade of the forest tree;
But Thy couch was the sod,
O Thou Son of God,
In the desert of Galilee:
O come to my heart Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee!

Thou camest, O Lord,
With the living Word,
That should set Thy people free;
But, with mocking scorn,
And with crown of thorn,
They bore Thee to Calvary:
O come to my heart Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee!

When the heavens shall ring,
And the angels sing
At Thy coming to victory,
Let Thy voice call me home,
Saying, 'Yet there is room-
There is room at My side for thee!'
My heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus,
When Thou comest and callest for me.

Emily E.S. Elliott