



Worship of God in Christ December 25, 2022



“Nativity with St. Francis and St. Lawrence” (1609) by Caravaggio

Christmas Day

Marking of the Hour Barbara Moore
*We mark the hour, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ,
and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.*

Opening Words Will Cooke

Prelude – “He is Born-Gloria” (arr. Wagner, Elliot) Barbara Moore

Lighting the Candles
*We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the
Light of the world which guides us through life.*

Opening the Bible
We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.

Call to Worship Melanie Tennant

Leader: Welcome, friends! Merry Christmas!

People: The baby is born in Bethlehem.

Leader: Angels are singing! The shepherds are rejoicing!

People: Because the baby is born in Bethlehem.

Leader: Mary and Joseph are happy and blessed, and the baby is born in Bethlehem.

People: God has sent Jesus to live among us all!

*Hymn – “Angels We Have Heard on High”

*Invocation Rev. Val Fisk

Greeting Rev. Fisk
*Please take a moment to sign and pass the red booklets found in each row
so that we have a record of your presence with us today.*

Children’s Sermon Dr. Matthew Tennant

*Hymn - “The First Nowell”

Gospel Lesson - John 1:1-14 Elizabeth Mulcahy
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Morning Prayer and Blessing Rev. Fisk
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*Doxology

Old Testament Lesson - Isaiah 52:7-10

Glenna Ohlms

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem – “What Child is This?”

Sanctuary Choir

Violin: Ezra Flaherty, Organ: Barbara Moore

Sermon – “What Beautiful Feet!”

Dr. Tennant

Meditation

Barbara Moore

Invitation

Dr. Tennant

*If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking
with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.*

*Hymn – “Joy to the World”

*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

*Postlude – “Joy to the World”(arr. Vandall)

Barbara Moore

** Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.*

Angels We Have Heard on High

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some ti - dings be which in - spire your heaven-ly song?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain

Glo - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o! Glo -

- - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

The First Nowell

1 The first Now-ell the an-gel did say was to cer-tain poor
2 They look - ed up and saw a star shin-ing in the
3 And by the light of that same star three wise men
4 This star drew nigh to the north-west; o'er Beth - le -

shep-herds in fields as they lay, in fields where they lay keep-ing
east be - yond them far; and to the earth it gave
came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was their
hem it took its rest, and there it did both stop

their sheep, on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
great light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
and stay, right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.

Refrain

Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

- 5 Then entered in those wise men three, 6 Then let us all with one accord
full reverently upon their knee, sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
and offered there in his presence that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense. and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

Refrain

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple

here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;

praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

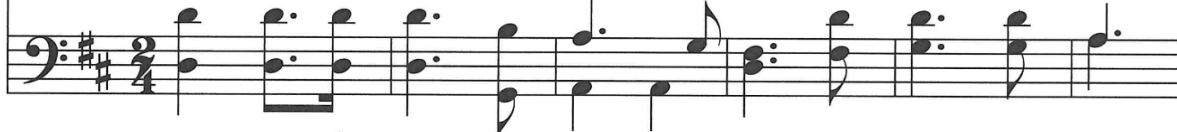
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Joy to the World



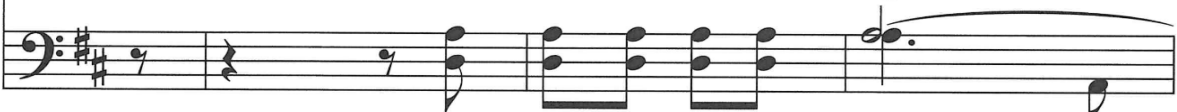
1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their songs
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest
4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na -



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,

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are blessed by your presence with us, and we trust that this hour will help to deepen your spiritual life. We look forward to meeting you personally at the close of the service.

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FLOWERS: On the communion table this morning is the Nativity drawing our attention to the anticipated birth of Jesus.

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