

Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

January 8, 2023

10:00 am

Preparation for Worship

The Gathering

Got Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain:

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

1) While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. (Refrain)

2) The shepherds feared and trembled
when lo! above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. (Refrain)

3) Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. (Refrain)

Noel

1) Love incarnate love divine
Star and angels gave the sign
Bow to babe on bended knee
The Savior of humanity
Unto us a Child is born
He shall reign forevermore

Chorus:

Noel Noel
Come and see what God has done
Noel Noel
The story of amazing love
The light of the world given for us
Noel

2) Son of God and Son of man
There before the world began
Born to suffer born to save

Born to raise us from the grave
Christ the everlasting Lord
He shall reign forevermore (Chorus)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Prelude in C Minor

J.S. Bach

Prayer of Invocation

Joy Atkins, Liturgist

Call to Worship

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings; ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty,

People: May the Lord give strength to God's people! May the Lord bless the people with peace.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1) All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

2) Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

ye ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

3) Let every kindred, every tribe

on this terrestrial ball

to him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

To him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

4) O that with yonder sacred throng

we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song,

and crown him Lord of all!

We'll join the everlasting song,

and crown him Lord of all!

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

You have given Christ as a covenant to the nations, O God, yet your people continue to live at war. Your prophets proclaim justice and peace, yet we dwell amid hostility and oppression. You judge your people with fairness; we implore you to have mercy upon us. Give sight to eyes that are blind to your truth. Enlighten our darkness, that we may behold you even in the midst of our enemies. Free us from seeking your own grandeur, so that in humility we may live at peace with your people.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen, amen.



The Children's Time

Brian Mitchell

The Act of Offering

Offertory

River in Judea
LPC Chancel Choir

arr. John Leavitt

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

***Prayer of Dedication**

*** Hymn of Preparation**

Shall We Gather at the River

1) Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

2) On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,

we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day. (Refrain)

3) Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we every burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown. (Refrain)

4) Soon we'll reach the shining river;
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace. (Refrain)

The Word of God Proclaimed

Scripture

Isaiah 42:1-9
Matthew 3:13-17
Acts 10:34-43

Sermon

Something Old, Something New

Rev Joy Laughridge

Response of God's People

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Commitment**

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

1) Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2) To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.

3) People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.

4) Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoners leap to loose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

5) Let every creature rise and bring
honors peculiar to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen!

Blessing and Benediction

*Benediction

*Postlude

Finale (BWV 537)

Gilbert Martin

*Indicates Congregation Standing

Duty Elders for January:

Nancy Carlton

Sara Maguire

Frank Wood

Bunny George

Liturgist:

Joy Atkins

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Director of Youth & Christian Education:

Brian Mitchell

Director of Music & Organist:

Carl Marucci

Parish Associate:

Rev. Vickie Bossuot

The floral arrangement in the chancel is given to the glory of God.



Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Thinking with Christ's mind • Loving with Christ's heart • Serving with Christ's hands



Tuesday, 1/10

- 1 pm - Handbells 101 in the sanctuary
- 1:30 pm - Handbell Practice in the sanctuary
- 1:30 pm - Presbyterian Women in the Coleman Room

Wednesday, 1/11

- 5:30 pm - Band Practice in the sanctuary
- 6:30 pm - Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Saturday, 1/14

- 9:00 am - Bag Ladies in Benz Hall

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Monday, 1/16

- LPC Office closed in observance of MLK Day

Tuesday, 1/17

- 1 pm - Handbells 101 in the sanctuary
- 1:30 pm - Handbell Practice in the sanctuary
- 7 pm - Session meeting in Benz Hall

Wednesday, 1/18

- 5:30 pm - Band Practice in the sanctuary
- 6:30 pm - Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Tuesday, 1/24

- 1 pm - Handbells 101 in the sanctuary
- 1:30 pm - Handbell Practice in the sanctuary

Wednesday, 1/25

- 5:30 pm - Band Practice in the sanctuary
- 6:30 pm - Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Tuesday, 1/31

- 1 pm - Handbells 101 in the sanctuary
- 1:30 pm - Handbell Practice in the sanctuary

Wednesday, 2/1

- 5:30 pm - Band Practice in the sanctuary
- 6:30 pm - Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Saturday, 2/4

- Sweetheart Dinner

