



CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2019

“To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.”

Luke 2:11

Christmas Day

Liturgist: Rev. Brad Zwiers

Preacher: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir

Accompanist: Lisa Meyer

Flutist: Amy Netz

Scripture Proclamation Team: Miles Colago, Brian Netz,
Grace Spoelma, and Lynn Bardolph McBroom

Ten o'clock

December 25, 2019

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Preludes on “Joy to the World” [#92]

Raymond Haan; John Ferguson; Alfred Fedak; Pamela Decker

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Sing with Joy, Glad Voices Lift” Ralph Vaughan Williams
Sing with joy, glad voices lift; honor God, the highest gift,
who such wondrous deeds performs, who sent his own beloved Son to save us.

On this day did he appear, Christ Jesus, dear Immanuel,
brings to us salvation, saves from death and hell.
Jesus, Jesus; lo, he comes, and loves, and saves, and frees us!

See how angels in the sky God in heaven glorify.
Sing as they the glad refrain of peace on earth, good will to all, and blessing.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Kate Rayburn

Christmas Reading and Prayer

Josh Meyer

* Christmas Hymns: “Joy to the World”

#92:1,3,4

“Glory to God” (*sing in Dutch or English*)

#84

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

#76:1,3,4

(*sing stanzas 3 and 4 in unison*)

* God's Greeting

* Affirmation of Faith: from the Nicene Creed back cover of hymnal

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
Begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light,
True God from true God, begotten, not made;
Of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven;
He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
And was made human.**

*Songs of Response: "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

#78:1,2,4

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

#93:1-3

(Children may come forward.)

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Message for Children

Anthem: "What Child Is This"

Jack Grotenhuis

What child is this, who laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping:
This, this is Christ the king, whom shepherds guard and angels sing.
Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail, the Word made flesh, the babe, the Son of Mary!

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the Son of Mary.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

* Hymn of Preparation: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

#98:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Proclamation: Luke 2:1-20

Sermon: **LOVE CAME DOWN**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
(*Sing stanza 3 in unison.*)

#80:1-3

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prayer: Nate Dierlam

Offering for Benevolence and RIP Medical Debt

Offertory: “In the Bleak Midwinter” Emily Maxson Porter; David Lasky

* Benediction

* Doxology: “Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

#78:5

* Postlude: “Fantasy on Joy to the World”

Michael Helman

Welcome to Calvin Church

In Worship:

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- Reprint and streaming licenses are One License A-730126 and CCLI#2532147.
- “And being found in human form, he humbled himself . . .” The colors and materials of the Christmas banner reflect God’s glory manifest in the humble setting of the incarnation of Jesus Christ.
- Large print resources are available at the Information Desk.
- Adult coloring pages are on the TRIP table in the Narthex.
- Our facility is equipped with the Loop hearing system.



For Children:

- Ages 0-2: Infant and toddler nurseries are available.
- Busy Bags for young children are on the picket fence in the Atrium.
- Bulletins for older children are in the rack in the Narthex.
- Coloring pages and colored pencils are available at the table in the Narthex.

Holiday office hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday and Tuesday

Bulletin deadline: Monday Noon

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