



# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

December 27, 2020  
First Sunday after Christmas  
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## PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord**

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### We Gather as God's People

#### RINGING OF THE BELL

#### WELCOME

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

#### PRELUDE

Sonata in G for recorder, Op 2, No 4. 1. Andante  
Chris Mann, recorder

Giuseppe Sammartini

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**from Psalm 149**

Terry Day, liturgist

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song!

**Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!**

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people, he adorns the humble with victory!

**Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!**

#### HYMN

**Good Christian Friends, Rejoice**

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;  
ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now,  
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Eternal God, who can make all things new, we humbly bring before you the record of our lives in the year now ending. Where life has been good to us, let us express our gratitude. Where we have failed or sinned against you or others, forgive us and free us from brooding over what is past. Cleanse us by your mercy, guide us by your truth, fill us with your love, lead us forward in your hope. Teach us to live with the certainty that with you all things are possible. Send to us the spirit of your own child, that we may greet with joy the renewed opportunity to live as your children. Hear our silent confessions.**

*(Silent Confession)*

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, receive the good news: the light of Christ shines in our darkness, to bring light and life to all. By the gift of Christ, our sins are forgiven.

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      Sonata in G for recorder, Op 2, No 4. 3. Affettuoso                      Giuseppe Sammartini  
Chris Mann, recorder

**SCRIPTURE READING**                      **Luke 2: 22-52**

**SERMON**                      **“That Boy Child of Mary”**                      Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      Mary, Did You Know?  
Peggy Vaughan, soprano

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR LORD’S PRAYER**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**HYMN**                      **Joy to the World**

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

**WE GO FORTH AS GOD’S PEOPLE**

**BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**                      **May the Love of the Lord**                      SOON TI

**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.  
May God’s love dwell in you, throughout every day.  
May God’s countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May God’s Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

**POSTLUDE**                      Sonata in G for recorder, Op 2, No 4. 4. Allegro assai                      Giuseppe Sammartini  
Chris Mann, recorder

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**Worship Leadership** Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher    Terry Day, Liturgist    John Holter, piano  
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director and Soloist    Chris Mann, soprano recorder    Ron Skinner, Audio & Video  
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