

ORGAN PRELUDE

The Three Kings
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
MOMENTS OF FRIENDSHIP

INTROIT

Sing we Now of Christmas

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill Shriver, Liturgist

Liturgist: The Lord has been gracious to us.

People: God has forgiven the sins of His people, and blotted out all our iniquities.

Liturgist: Mercy and truth have met together, righteousness and peace have embraced in Jesus,
Our Lord.

People: God has made a way where there was no way.

Liturgist: The Lord has revealed what true love is.

People: God has come that we might know him.

Liturgist: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN No. 22

Angels from Realms of Glory

*CONFESSION OF SIN *(In Unison)*

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.

(Let each worshipper pray silently)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI *(The Hymnal, No. 579)*

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.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 61:10-62:3 *(Pew Bible, NT Section, page 529; Lg. Print page 1157)*

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kyle Peters

(Children in grades Kindergarten to 3rd Grade will be dismissed to Children's Church)

ANTHEM:

We Bow Down

SECOND LESSON: Luke 2:22-40 *(Pew Bible, NT Section, page 725; Lg. Print page 1591)*

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN No. 28

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

SERMON LESSON: Galatians 4:4-7 *(Pew Bible, NT Section, pg. 825; Lg. Print pg. 1813)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Adoption

Rev. Jonathan Fetting

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – *(In Unison)*

Apostles' Creed *(traditional)*
(The Hymnal Page 14)

OFFERTORY

Noel Provençal

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*PRESENTATION, The Doxology *(The Hymnal, No. 592)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*HYMN No. 485

To God be the Glory

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Give Our Lives

*** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* POSTLUDE

O Come All Ye Faithful