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Being a community of devoted believers, we are:
Gathered by the Holy Spirit



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL to WORSHIP

One: Lord Jesus Christ, we await your coming, we wait filled with hope,

ALL: Knowing your light will shine in the darkness.

One: We wait anticipating your peace,

ALL: Believing that one day it will fill our world.

One: We wait with joy,

ALL: Bubbling us in expectation of your birth.

One: We wait embracing your love,

ALL: May we reach out to share it with our neighbors.

One: Lord, we wait

ALL: Come soon and fill us with your life.

*OPENING HYMN #277 † Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (vs. 1)



Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"



Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

CALL to CONFESSION

PRAYER of CONFESSION

One: When we allow darkness to overcome the light,

ALL: forgive us, Lord.

One: When we reduce Christmas to plastic and tinsel,

ALL: have mercy on us, Father.

One: When hardness of heart keeps us from seeing and hearing and touching the needs of others,

ALL: soften our hearts, O God.

One: When the wars around us are of no concern,

ALL: forgive us, Lord, and move us to compassion for those who suffer.

PRAYER of CONFESSION *(continued)*

One: When our caring is not extended to action,

ALL: move us to seek justice for our brothers and sisters.

One: We come to confess our sinfulness

ALL: let there be no obstacle to our love for you and for one another. Amen.

PROCLAMATION of GRACE

***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.

***SHARING the PEACE OF CHRIST**

***PRAISE RESPONSE † Welcome, Jesus**

To the tune of "The River"

Welcome, Jesus, you are welcome.

Let your loving light appear.

In our seeing, in our being,

Jesus, you are welcome here.

Growing in faith



LIGHTING of the ADVENT CANDLE † PEACE

Tara & Landon Gorman

***PRAISE SONG † Hope Was Born This Night ~ Heather Campbell**

Tonight I can see a star shine and its splendor fills up the sky
It's the same that appeared and the wise men revered
When hope was born this night

Out upon the snowy fields there's a silent peace that heals
And it echoes the grace of our Savior's embrace
Because hope was born this night

***Glory to God in the highest, Peace on Earth, goodwill toward men
Let all of the world sing the of joy because hope was born this night***

I can hear the Christmas bells ring as softly a church choir sings
It's the song used to praise the ancient of days
When hope was born this night

There are angles in this place and my heart resounded the praise
Like a shepherd so scared, I'll rejoice and declare
That hope was born this night - **CHORUS**

Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Oh Gloria (sing twice)

CHORUS (sing twice)

I know hope was born this night because Christ was born this night

PRAYER of ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE † Luke 1:1-5

YOUTH ZOOM IN WITH CHRISTMAS STORIES

*HYMN #261 † **Away In a Manger**

sung by Pat Ambrose & Cathy Columbus

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay;
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus - no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.



PRAYERS of the PEOPLE with 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.

Going to share the good news of God's love

OFFERING of OUR LIVES & GIFTS

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above the heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

PRAYER of DEDICATION

***CLOSING PRAISE SONG † Mary's Boy Child**

sung by Pat Ambrose & Cathy Columbus

Long time ago in Bethlehem so the Holy Bible say
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ was born on Christmas Day.

***Hark now hear the angels sing a king was born today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.***

While shepherds watched their flock by night, they saw a bright new shining star
they hear a choir of angels sing the music seemed to come from afar.

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Joseph and his wife, Mary, came to Bethlehem that night,
They found no place to bear she child, not a single room was in sight.

***Hark now hear the angels sing a king was born today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.***

By and by they find a little nook in a stable all forlorn,
And in a manger cold and dark, Mary's little boy was born.

***Hark now hear the angels sing a king was born today
And man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day.***

Trumpets sound and angels sing, listen to what they say!
That man will live forevermore because of Christmas Day!

CHARGE & BLESSING

Carnegie Presbyterian Church is a caring and serving community of devoted believers in Jesus Christ called to inspire and nurture the spiritual health and physical well-being of our neighboring communities.

INSTRUCTIONS to CONNECT for WORSHIP



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