

# 9:30 am Worship Service December 26, 2021

We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

**Reformed Presbyterian Church** exists to be a stream of God's refreshing grace for people from all walks of life.

**Today's Speaker:** Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas, Sr. Pastor Worship Leader: Rev. Kevin Sheahan, Associate Pastor

Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING SCRIPTURE** 

Matthew 1:21-23

**PRAYER** 

**HYMN 218** 

Angels, From the Realms of Glory

**CAROL SING** 

WELCOME TO VISITORS

## WE EXALT THE LORD JESUS

Worship songs Go Tell It On the Mountain Angels We Have Heard on High/ Glory to God Away in a Manger (Forever Amen)

**OFFERING** What Child is This/arr. R. Arrington

Janelle Labs, piano

**CAROL SING** 

**SCRIPTURE READING** Philippians 2:1-11

SERMON Painting a Picture of Christmas

CLOSING HYMN 219 All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE** 

### **Song Lyrics**

## 218 Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds, in the field abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night, God with man is now residing; Yonder shines the infant Light: Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Sages, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar; Seek the great Desire of nations; Ye have seen His natal star. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Saints, before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear; Suddenly the Lord, descending, In His temple shall appear. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

All creation, join in praising God, the Father, Spirit, Son, Evermore your voices raising To th'eternal Three in One.

Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Angels from the Realms of Glory, Words by James Montgomery, Music by Henry Smart ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597

#### Go Tell It On the Mountain

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born!

Down in a lowly manger Our humble Christ was born, And brought us all salvation That blessed Christmas morn!

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born!

Go Tell It On The Mountain, An Old Negro Spiritual, Stanzas: John W. Work, Jr, CCLI# 79597

# Angels We Have Heard on High/Glory to God

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains

Chorus Gloria In excelsis Deo GloriaIn excelsis Deo

Shepherds why this jubilee Why your joyous strains prolong What the gladsome tidings be Which inspire your heavenly song

Gloria In excelsis Deo Gloria In excelsis Deo

Glory to God glory to God Glory to God in the highest

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord the newborn King

Gloria In excelsis Deo Gloria In excelsis Deo

Glory to God glory to God Glory to God in the highest

# Away in a Manger (Forever Amen)

Away in a manger No crib for a bed The little Lord Jesus Lay down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky Look 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 'Til morning is nigh

I worship You Jesus For all of my days The highest of praises Be unto Your Name

My God and my Savior My king and my friend For Yours is the glory forever, amen Yours is the glory forever, amen

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#### 219 All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord

All praise to Thee, Eternal Lord, Clothed in a garb of flesh and blood; Choosing a manger for Thy throne, While worlds on worlds are Thine alone.

Once did the skies before Thee bow; A virgin's arms contain Thee now, angels, who did in Thee rejoice, Now listen for Thine infant voice.

A little Child, Thou art our Guest, That weary ones in Thee may rest; Forlorn and lowly is Thy birth; That we may rise to heav'n from earth.

Thou comest in the darksome night To make us children of the light; To make us, in the realms divine, Like Thine own angels round Thee shine.

All this for us Thy love hath done; By this to Thee our love is won; For this we tune our cheerful lays, And shout our thanks in ceaseless praise.

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# **SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 1:21-23 (NIV)

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the

name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: 23 "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"—which means, "God with us."

## Philippians 2:1-11 (NIV)

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.<sup>4</sup> Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

<sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

<sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing,

taking the very nature of a servant,

being made in human likeness.

<sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became

obedient to death—even death on a cross!

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.