



**9:30 am Worship Service
December 19, 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. Kevin Sheahan, Associate Pastor
Worship Leader: Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas, Sr. Pastor
Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

PRELUDES

*In Dulci Jubilo/ J. S. Bach
Toccata on Adeste Fideles/ arr. D. Hegarty*

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 146:1-7 (ESV)

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

People: **I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

Leader: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

People: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 203

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

WE CELEBRATE THE COMING OF CHRIST

THE ADVENT CANDLE: PEACE

Tom & Linda Nicholas

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

Ephesians 2:13-18 (ESV)

Leader: But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

People: For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility... that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

Leader: And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

People: For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

Angels from the Realms of Glory/Emmanuel

Worship the King

Leader: And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into

the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him.

Matthew 2:9b-11b (ESV)

God So Loved

WELCOME TO ALL

CHILDREN'S CHOIR *Away in a Manger/* Anon., Philadelphia
Go Tell It On The Mountain/Spiritual/ J. Work, Jr.

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

O Come, All You Unfaithful/ B. Kaufflin, L. Clow
Aviendha Fogie, vocals

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)

SERMON

The Grace and the Glory

Advent series: Between Two Advents

Rev. Kevin Sheahan

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **197** *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*

*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL
HOUR (4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE *From Heaven Above to Earth I Come/* Martin Luther

SONG LYRICS

203 Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born 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 new-born King!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;
hail th' incarnate Deity,
pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
ris'n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that man no more may die,
born to raise the sons of earth,
born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Angels from the Realms of Glory/Emmanuel

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 us is now residing; Yonder shines the infant light:

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

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, You are the God who saves us,
worthy of all our praises*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Come have Your way among us,
we welcome You here, Lord Jesus*

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.

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, You are the God who saves us,
worthy of all our praises*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Come have Your way among us,
we welcome You here, Lord Jesus*

*Come and worship. Worship Christ the newborn King. God is with us even now
His love is here.*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, You are the God who saves us,
worthy of all our praises*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
Come have Your way among us,
we welcome You here, Lord Jesus*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
Emmanuel, Emmanuel!*

Worship the King

O come to the place Where the holy Child is laid
O come let us see the new born King
For He is our God And greatly to be praised
Come let us worship the King

Come let us worship the King.
Jesus the Savior is born
For the Lord will reign over all the earth
Come let us worship the King.
Jesus the Savior is born
For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised
Through all the earth
Let us worship the King

The Savior has come. Let all the nations sing
The mountains ring out with angelic praise
The heavens rejoice For the earth receives her King
Come let us worship the King

Come let us worship the King.
Jesus the Savior is born
For the Lord will reign over all the earth
Come let us worship the King.
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Through all the earth
Let us worship the King

Come let us worship the King
Jesus the Savior is born
Come let us worship the King
In all the earth
Come let us worship the King

God So Loved

Come all you weary, Come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water, Come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners, Come find His mercy
Come to the table He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness, Find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Bring all your failures, Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there With open arms

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

Praise God praise God From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him praise Him For the wonders of His love

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

197 *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*

Comfort, comfort ye My people,
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
comfort those who sit in darkness,
mourning 'neath their sorrow's load.
Speak ye to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them;
Tell her that her sins I cover,
and her warfare now is over.

Yea, her sins our God will pardon,
blotting out each dark misdeed;
all that well deserved His anger
He no more will see or heed.
She hath suffered many a day,
now her griefs have passed away;
God will change her pining sadness
into ever-springing gladness.

For the herald's voice is crying
in the desert far and near,
bidding all men to repentance,
since the kingdom now is here.
O that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way;
let the valleys rise to meet Him,
and the hills bow down to greet Him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked,
make the rougher places plain,
let your hearts be true and humble,
as befits His holy reign;
For the glory of the LORD
now o'er earth is shed abroad,
and all flesh shall see the token
that His word is never broken.

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People, Words by Johannes Olearius, Tr. By Catherine Winkworth, Music by Louis Bourgeois, arr. by Henry A. Bruinsma ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597

SCRIPTURE READING

Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.