

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 2021

PRELUDE

In Dulci Jubilo Op. 28, no. 41

Dupré (1886-1971)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Almighty God, work our lives until we are the likeness of your son, then send us out as lights for a dark world. Prepare our hearts, for Jesus is our hope.

People: Come Lord Jesus!

Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

In dulci júbilo

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

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of eternity, this strange season has distracted us from the message of salvation in Christ. It has been far easier to lose sight of your will than to celebrate your presence. As we take stock of the year now gone, forgive us our despair, and cleanse us from all our sin. As we look to the new year, restore our vision, and enhance our strength, that we may truly see the gift of salvation born among us, and shine the light of your good news into a dark and needy world. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 8

ANTHEM

Gesù bambino
Celia Daggy, viola

Yon (1886-1943)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 21:1-6

SERMON

The new.

Rev. Patrick Pettit

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People.

HYMN

The First Nowell

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The first Nowell the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

[Refrain] Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. [Refrain]

This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
And there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay. [Refrain]

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

In Dulci Jubilo BWV 729

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Prayers for Health and Other Concerns:

The Legacy: Eloise Morris

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab

Summit Square: Lillian Hryshkanych

Home: Dick Huff, Nancy Garber, Mary Ultee, Edie Lawrence, Steve Doherty, Kathy Brown

Friends and Family: Andy & Jean Robeson, Wanda Braden, Lucy Colbert, Charlie Fairchilds (Cunninghams), Steve Stevens, Paul Jones, George & Alice Morris (Jen Jones), Danny Smith (Nancy Hypes), Jennifer & Charlotte Sergeant (Kathy Brown), Emily Bardeen (Sandi Henderson), Kathy Doyle (Cindy & Rodger Doyle), Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton), Tony Poplin, Jerry Hughes, Paul Watts (Colleen Cash), Helen Schurz (Holly Bennett), Shae Blackwell and Family (Preschool), Carol Buckalew (Jen Jones), Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson),

Military: Jeremiah Henderson, Carson Craig

Missionaries: Elmarie & Scott Parker, PC (USA) Regional Liaisons to Iraq, Syria & Lebanon