

Welcome



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presbyterian church

Christmas Day Worship

Tuesday 25th December 2012 at 10.00am

Call to Worship

Praise - Carol 319 – Good Christians All, Rejoice

Verse 1 Good Christians all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Listen now to what we say,
Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before Him bow
And He is in the manger now!
Christ is born today;
Christ is born today!

Verse 2 Good Christian all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Hear the news of endless bliss,
Jesus Christ was born for this:
He has opened heaven's door
And we are blessed for evermore!
Christ was born for this;
Christ was born for this!

Verse 3 Good Christian all, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice!
Now you need not fear the grave;
Jesus Christ was born to save:
Come at His most gracious call
To find salvation, one and all!

Christ was born to save;
Christ was born to save!

Lighting the Christmas Candle

The Christmas Candle, white in colour, is lit to remind us of the purity and holiness of Christ who is born today.

A Prayer for Christmas Day

Children's Message

Gary McDowell

Anthem

Lesson - Matthew chapter 1 verses 18 - 25

The Birth of Jesus the Messiah

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Christmas Morning Message

Derek McKelvey

Praise - Carol 309 – Away in a Manger

Verse 1 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

Verse 2 The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes
I love You, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh

Verse 3 Be near me, Lord Jesus I ask You to stay
Close by me for ever and love me, I pray
Bless all the dear children in Your tender care
And fit us for heaven, to live with You there

Offering for the Benevolent Fund

Prayer of Dedication

Praise - Carol 191(CH3) - O Come all Ye Faithful

Verse 1 O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him
Born the King of Angels;

Chorus O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Verse 2 God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten, not created;

Verse 3 Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God
In the highest':

Verse 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given:
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing;

The Benediction

Organ postlude – Toccata Noel, Tambling

Church notices

25th Dec Christmas Morning Family Service (10.00am)
There is NO evening service tonight

Dec/Jan 2012

30th Dec Morning Worship (11.00am)
There is NO evening service tonight

6th Jan Morning Worship Holy Communion (11.00am)
Sunday Night Live (7.00pm)

Wednesday 26th - Wednesday 2nd January 2013

The Church and Church Halls will be closed during this period, however you can ring the church office on 02890 666683 in the case of a pastoral emergency and leave a message as the phone will be checked on a daily basis.

WORLD DEVELOPMENT APPEAL

World Development Appeal envelopes may be returned at any service through to Sunday 30th December.

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