

**JOHN McMILLAN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
10:00 AM WORSHIP & FACEBOOK LIVE  
TO KNOW, TO GLORIFY AND TO SERVE GOD  
JANUARY 9, 2022**

**THE PRELUDE - "WE THREE KINGS" BY MATTHEW MCCONNELL**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS- Rev. Jeff Tindall**

**THE INTROIT**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP - Emily Shubilla**

I am with you, says the Lord.

*We do not fear.*

I have called you by name.

*We do not fear.*

You are mine.

*We are not afraid.*

**\*THE HYMN FOR EPIPHANY- "We Three Kings" #151 vs 1, 2 & 5**

We three kings of Orient are;  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder star.

Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of night,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light!

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never  
over us all to reign. (Refrain)

Glorious now behold him arise,  
King and God and Sacrifice:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
sounds through the earth and skies. (Refrain)

## **THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

In the waters of baptism, O God,  
you have cleansed us and claimed us.  
Forgive us for refusing your grace.  
Forgive us for rejecting your name.  
We have followed our own paths,  
and they have led us far from you.  
Help us to live into our baptisms,  
to trust that all we need is in you,  
for you have marked us as your own,  
loving us without limit.  
Wash us with your love again,  
that with clean hearts we may go in the way of Jesus.

## **THE SILENT CONFESSION**

### **THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

The love of God flows ceaselessly.  
The mercy of God never ends.  
This is good news!  
*In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!*

## **\*THE GLORIA PATRI #581**

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, Amen.

## **THE INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION OF OFFICERS**

Elders: Chris Altmeyer, Cheryl Davies, Joe Smith

Deacons: Devon Serena, Toni Sulkowski, Dan Zearley, Susan Zearley

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

## **THE ANTHEM - "What Star is This?" - arr. by Craig Curry**

What star is this, with beams so bright, more lovely than the noonday light? It shines to herald forth the King, glad tidings of our God to bring. See now fulfilled what God decreed: "From Jacob shall a star proceed." And lo! The eastern sages stand to read in heaven God's command. The guiding star above is bright; within it shines a purer light that leads them on with force benign to seek the Giver of the sign. True love can brook no dull delay though toil and danger lie their way; and yet, their home, their friends and all they leave at their Creator's call. O while the star of heavenly grace invites us, Lord, to seek thy face, may we no more that grace repel, or quench the light that shines so well! To God the Father, God the Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One, may every tongue and nation raise an endless song of thankful praise!

## **THE SCRIPTURE AND MESSAGE**

Luke 3: 1-3; 15-17; 21-23a

Ordained and Installed

**THE HYMN OF REFLECTION-** *“Sing of God Made Manifest”* #156

Sing of God made manifest  
in a child robust and blest,  
to whose home in Bethlehem  
where a star had guided them,  
magi came and gifts unbound,  
signs mysterious and profound:  
myrrh and frankincense and gold  
grave and God and king foretold.

Sing of God made manifest  
when at Jordan John confessed,  
“I should be baptized by you,  
but your bidding I will do.”  
Then from heaven a double sign —  
dove-like Spirit, voice divine —  
hailed the true Anointed One:  
“This is my beloved Son.”

Sing of God made manifest  
when Christ came as wedding guest  
and at Cana gave a sign,  
turning water into wine;  
further still was love revealed  
as he taught, forgave, and healed,  
bringing light and life to all  
who would listen to God’s call.

Sing of God made manifest  
on the cloud-capped mountain’s crest,  
where the law and prophets waned  
so that Christ alone remained:  
glimpse of glory, pledge of grace,  
given as Jesus set his face  
towards the waiting cross and grave,  
sign of hope that God would save.

## **\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

God's sovereign love is a mystery  
beyond the reach of the human mind.  
Human thought ascribes to God  
superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness.  
But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ  
by showing power in the form of a servant,  
wisdom in the folly of the cross,  
and goodness in receiving  
sinful men and women.

## **THE INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

### **THE OFFERTORY**

#### **\*THE DOXOLOGY #609**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## **THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

#### **\*THE HYMN OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION**

*"I the Lord of Sea and Sky" #69*

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain:*

Here I am, Lord.

Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,

I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,

give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them.

Whom shall I send?

*(Refrain)*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,

I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide

till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send?

*(Refrain)*

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE** – *“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord”* - tune-Walther