

The Worship of God

9:30-10:45 AM The Lord's Day, December 21, 2025 AD

"Seek the LORD while He may be found; call on Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him, and to our God, for He will freely pardon."
Isaiah 55:6-7

The 4th Sunday of Advent

Organ Prelude

Judith Lunde, Organ | Christine Pennings, Piano | Steve Krewson, Trumpet

The Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:1-5

\$Hymn #132: **Angels We Have Heard on High**

\$Prayer of Praise Pastor David Bissett

Piano Reprise (Latecomers may be seated)

Lighting the 4th Advent Candle Craig & Pamela Thomas

Scripture Reading: **Luke 2:1-21** Craig Thomas

\$Advent Praises: George Colon, guitarist

God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman

God rest ye merry gentleman let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ our savior was born upon this day,
To save us all from satan's power
when we were gone astray...
O' tidings of comfort and joy — comfort and joy,
O' tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our Heavenly Father a blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name...

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O' tidings of comfort and joy — comfort and joy,
O' tidings of comfort and joy.

Now to the Lord sing praises all you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
each other now embrace,
This holy tide of Christmas doth bring redeeming grace...
O' tidings of comfort and joy — comfort and joy,
O' tidings of comfort and joy.

Midnight Clear (Love Song)

It came upon a midnight clear, that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth,
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
from heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

Glory to God in the highest,
Glory to God evermore;
Good news, great joy — for all;
Melody breaks through the silence,
Christ the Savior is born,
Jesus, the love song of God.

Still through the cloven skies they come
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heavenly music floats
through all the weary world;
and man at war with man hears not,
the love song which they bring;
Oh hush the noise and cease the strife
and hear the angels sing.

Refrain...

The Pastoral Prayer Pastor David Bissett

Offertory

During the offertory, please register your attendance on a **Friendship Form**
found on the clipboard, at the end of each row of seats. Thanks.

\$Hymn #157: **Away in a Manger**

The Scriptures: **Luke 2:8-15,**

[8] And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. [9] And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. [10] And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. [11] For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. [12] And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." [13] And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

[14] "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

[15] When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." (ESV)

The Sermon: **"The Angels..."**
BEHOLDING THE SAVIOR, #4
Rev. Dr. David J Bissett, Sr. Pastor

\$Hymn #125: **Joy to the World**

➤ The Benediction ➤

Announcements

Postlude



Stay for Sunday School at 11 AM; there are classes for *all* ages.
Today the Adult Class with Pastor Bissett continues the new
series on: **Chasing Contentment** in the Fireside Room.