



Let's Worship!

December 26, 2021 — 10:30 AM

First Sunday After Christmas

A Hybrid Worship Experience, In-Person and Online

Today's worship team: Music Director Jayne McDonough, Worship Leader Beverly Mate; Worship Production Norris Clark; Transformation Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho

WELCOME!

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We continue to monitor case counts and spread of Covid-19 in our county. Mask-wearing is required even for fully vaccinated worshippers. Let's be safe together! Thank you for maintaining alternate row seating and safe distancing between family groups. We provide hand sanitizer and masks.

WORSHIP PREVIEW

This is the first Sunday after Christmas, and the last worship service of 2021. In these *still* uncertain pandemic times, we join with all of creation to sing praises to God. Why, you might ask? Good question. Maybe we don't feel like singing! Do we feel a bit lost? Sure. That's understandable. But God is not lost! We sing praises to God because God is here and will never leave us alone. God with us, Emmanuel. God's grace is greater than any pandemic, any problem, and God's abundant forgiveness is greater than all our sin. Sure, we can feel a bit lost from time to time. It's O.K., though...we're in good company.

This week's Gospel tells about frantic parents looking for their child! What could be more terrifying than losing a child? But in this story, it was Jesus who was feared lost! Jesus, lost! What would Joseph and Mary do? Find out in Pastor Kevin's message, "Finding What Is Not Lost," from Luke 2:41-52. Like Joseph and Mary, we will find Jesus in (un)expected places.

MUSIC PREVIEW

We begin worship with *O Come, All Ye Faithful*. The origins of this 18th century hymn has spread worldwide and is used by many denominations in every language imaginable in both Latin and other versions. We conclude our worship singing *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*. Carols using two languages, like this one dating from at least the 14th century, belong to a special group called "macaronic," the original languages



here being German and Latin. Though the present version is only in English, it is sung to the traditional German folk melody. Let's rejoice!

5-MINUTE CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN VIDEO:

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME: REV. KEVIN YOHO

MUSIC (VIDEO LYRICS): O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

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
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

2. God of God
Light of light
Lo He abhors not the virgin's womb
Very God
Begotten not created
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

3. Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God
In the highest
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

CALL TO WORSHIP (UNISON)

Welcome to our Christmas faith adventure as we celebrate Jesus' presence and sing songs of joy and tell stories of hope. God is with us in joy. Let us worship Christ, the newborn King!

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON)

Loving God, as we hear your word proclaimed, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: ISAIAH 61:10-62:3 (NIV)

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.

You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

MESSAGE FOR KIDS: WHEN IS CHRISTMAS OVER?

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

SOLO: MY CHRISTMAS PRAYER - BARBARA CAIN

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 2:41-52 (MSG)

Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."

"Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

MESSAGE— FINDING WHAT IS NOT LOST- LUKE 2:41-52

REV. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

Loving God, forgive us our sins, hurting or neglecting others, missing opportunities to serve. Help us turn around and live like Jesus, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven to show real love, grace, mercy, joy, peace... the fruit of the Spirit!

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

THE GLORIA

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.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

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PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Chancel flowers are a gift from Tom and Mary Imperato in celebration of the birth of our Savior.

Start the New Year With Spiritual Energy! Join us for our very special New Year's worship and communion next week, January 2, 2022!

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

December 28 - Pamela Barsby. December 30 - Jim & Rebecca McCaughey. January 3- Bob Stiles.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

God cares about us as we share our concerns one another. We pray for those who need shelter, food, employment, healing, and wholeness in mind, body, and spirit. God, grant us joy as we embrace life's challenges in Christ. We pray for those suffering from Covid-19 and other illnesses, and those who serve in healthcare, emergency response, law enforcement, education, business, government, and the military.

Let us pray: Tara and Pam Smith left Christmas Day for a mission trip to Alabama. Please pray for ministry blessings and traveling safety. For the McNelly family in the passing of James McNelly (91) last week. Jim was a longtime affiliate member of our congregation. Susan Buonadonna, recent knee replacement); Norma G. bad cold; Rebecca M. to feel stronger; The people of Mayfield, Kentucky & all affected by the tornadoes; Elaine Stalford moving to North Cape Genesis Rehab. Charles Keister that he would feel better and regain his strength. Elmer Cain (dizziness); Barney, vertigo. Tricia traveling in South Africa, Betty's granddaughter has cancer. Bob Hall, Tammy's aunt passed away. Jean Morgan husband pancreatic cancer., Max & Ana Moran and family mourning loss of several family members. Barbara Baker (back surgery); John Stalford (back pain); Eileen Stalford (strength); Nancy's 6 yr old nephew, Ezras with covid; remember our veterans. For the friends and family of Lydia Richey on her passing; Continued healing for Lenore, and for all of us to be well and stay safe; Nathalie Rodriguez (healing).

PRAYER

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers, **Now we are neighbors.**

Once we were strangers, **Now we are friends.**

MUSIC HYMN - GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE

1. 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 is born today
Christ is born today

2. 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
Christ was born for this

3. 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
Christ was born to save

BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

So glad you've joined us. Please share your joy and worship experience with your family and friends, wherever they may be located. Thank you for sharing our ministry with your Facebook and Instagram friends, too. Invite them to view worship on our YouTube channel anytime, and to join us live next week when we ring in the new year and celebrate around the Lord's Table. Blessings to you and your family for a happy new year!

Notes for Today's Worship:

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1. (01) Worship Music Countdown: CCLI #4662491
2. (02) O Come All Ye Faithful : text & music- John Francis Wade; CCLI #4758525
3. (03) God Welcomes All: CCLI #7102394
4. (04) Gloria: Public Domain
5. (05) Doxology: CCLI #4255578
6. Good Christian Friends Rejoice: text-medieval Latin & para. John Mason Neale, music-German folk melody; CCLI #7140775