

# HERITAGE

Presbyterian Church



*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given . . .*

Isaiah 9:6

## **SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT**

### **December 10, 2017**

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**WELCOME!**  
**TO**  
**HERITAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,  
and to whomsoever will —  
we open wide our arms  
and welcome you  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

9:15 am Prayer

9:30 am Sunday School

10:35 am Worship

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

10:40 am

**PREPARATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 95:6–7

**LEADER:**

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

**RESPONSE:**

*For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.*

**WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST**

# WE SING PRAISES TO GOD

## Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains

### Chorus

Gloria in excelsis Deo  
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Shepherds why this jubilee  
Why your joyous strains prolong  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song

### Chorus

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Christ whose birth the angels sing  
Come adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord the newborn King

### Chorus

See Him in a manger laid  
Whom the choirs of angels praise  
Mary Joseph lend your aid  
While our hearts in love we raise

### Chorus 2x

## SCRIPTURE READING & CANDLE LIGHTING

Luke 2:8–21

*And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup> And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,*

*<sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among those with  
whom he is pleased!”*

*<sup>15</sup> 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.” <sup>16</sup> And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. <sup>18</sup> And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.*

# WE SING A SONG OF ASCENT

## Angels from the Realms of Glory

Angels from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye who sang creation's story  
now proclaim Messiah's birth:

### Chorus

Come and worship, come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn king.

Shepherds, in the field abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing;  
yonder shines the infant light:

### Chorus

Sages, leave your contemplations,  
brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great Desire of nations;  
ye have seen his natal star:

### Chorus 3x

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**SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 40:6–11

- A voice says, "Cry!"  
And I said, "What shall I cry?"  
All flesh is grass,  
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.*
- <sup>7</sup> *The grass withers, the flower fades  
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;  
surely the people are grass.*
- <sup>8</sup> *The grass withers, the flower fades,  
but the word of our God will stand forever.*
- <sup>9</sup> *Go on up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good news;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;  
lift it up, fear not;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
"Behold your God!"*
- <sup>10</sup> *Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
behold, his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.*
- <sup>11</sup> *He will tend his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms;  
he will carry them in his bosom,  
and gently lead those that are with young.*

## **WE CONFESS OUR SIN AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

Heavenly Father, we who are like grass come to You  
humbly, confessing our sins.  
You tend this flock like a shepherd.  
You gather the lambs in Your arms, carry us,  
and gently lead Your people.

We confess that we are not easily led.  
We often walk away from You, our Good Shepherd.  
Your commandments are a guide to us to keep us  
from danger, and when we walk away and break Your  
commandments, we harm ourselves and others.  
Your heart is for our, so when we disobey You,  
we reject Your love.

Please search our hearts and reveal to us the ways in  
which we have wandered from You.  
Cause us to see sin in our lives the way that You see it,  
so that we may repent and turn back to You.

*(We will take a few moments for silent confession)*

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your Son,  
our Good Shepherd who laid down His life to save  
us from the penalty of our sin.  
May we turn to our Shepherd and rest in His gracious arms.  
We lift our prayer in Jesus Name, Amen.

## **WE ARE ASSURED OF OUR PARDON IN CHRIST**

From 1 John 1:8–9

*If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*



# WE SING A SONG OF ASSURANCE

## Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Hark the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King  
Peace on earth and mercy mild  
God and sinners reconciled  
Joyful all ye nations rise  
Join the triumph of the skies  
With angelic hosts proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem  
Hark the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King

Christ by highest heav'n adored  
Christ the everlasting Lord  
Late in time behold Him come  
Offspring of the Virgin's womb  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see  
Hail th'incarnate Deity  
Pleased as man with men to dwell  
Jesus our Emmanuel  
Hark the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness  
Light and life to all He brings  
Ris'n with healing in His wings  
Mild He lays His glory by  
Born that man no more may die  
Born to raise the sons of earth  
Born to give them second birth  
Hark the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King

(Children may be excused for Children's Church)

**PREACHING OF THE WORD**

**Jesse York,  
Pastor**

## **The Good Shepherd**

**John 10:11–18**

*I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup> He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup> I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup> For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. <sup>18</sup> No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”*

**SERMON NOTES**

# WE SING A SONG OF RESPONSE

## The First Noel

The first Noel 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

### Chorus

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
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

### Chorus

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our Heav'nly Lord  
Who hath made heav'n and earth of naught  
And with His blood mankind hath bought

### Chorus

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## BENEDICTION

# **GUIDE TO FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

**Scriptures:** John 10:11–18

**Song:** The First Noel

**Missions Prayer:** Brad & Patty Wos/  
Sports Outreach Group

## **PRAISE & PRAYER:**

- \* Pray that we will daily prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus as King!
- \* Pray for those who are recuperating from surgery, from chronic ailments and for our mothers-in-waiting!
- \* Pray for the Persecuted Church around the world.
- \* Pray that Community Groups cultivate close relationships that will encourage our walk with Christ.
- \* Pray that the Lord will continue to bring new people to our church family to join us in worshiping the Lord and learning of His love and mercy to us.
- \* Pray for our Session who leads Heritage PCA in the direction that God has planned for us. Teaching Elder: Rev. Jesse York; Ruling Elders: Rich Albert, Ken Leslie, Mark Saeger, Larry Valentine.
- \* Pray for Rev. Jesse York as he preaches God's Word to us as our Senior Pastor and encourage our walk as the redeemed of God.