



Advent 2020

LOVE

Heritage Church

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.

11:00 am Live Worship via the internet at <http://heritagewildwood.org>
5:30 p.m. Worship Service at the church pavilion

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Luke 1:46–55

LEADER: Mary said,

**WOMEN: “My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will call me
blessed;
for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.**

**MEN: He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.**

***ALL: He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”***

WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST

WE SING A SONG OF PRAISE

See Amid the Winter's Snow

See amid the winter's snow
Born for us on earth below
See the Lamb of God appears
Promised from eternal years

Chorus

Hail thou ever blessed morn
Hail redemption's happy dawn
Sing through all Jerusalem
Christ is born in Bethlehem

As we watched at dead of night
Lo we saw a wondrous light
Angels singing peace on earth
Told us of the Saviour's birth

Chorus

Sacred Infant all divine
What a tender love was Thine
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this

Chorus

Teach O teach us holy Child
By Thy face so meek and mild
Teach us to resemble Thee
In Thy sweet humility

Chorus

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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 AND CANDLE LIGHTING
Matthew 1:18–25

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel”

(which means, God with us). ²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

WE BRING GOD’S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD
From the Worship Sourcebook, p. 92

ALL:

***Awesome and compassionate God,
you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy,
but we have not loved you.
You constantly call us, but we do not listen.
You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors
in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.***

(We will take a few moments for silent reflection and confession)

ALL:

***God of grace, as you come to us in mercy,
we repent in spirit and in truth,
admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.***

WE ARE ASSURED OF OUR PARDON IN CHRIST
John 3:16–17

***For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have
eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world, but in order that the world might
be saved through him.***

WE SING A SONG OF ASSURANCE

What Child Is This

What Child is this who laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping
This this is Christ the King
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste, haste to bring Him laud
The Babe the Son of Mary

Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and lamb are feeding
Good Christian fear for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through
The Cross be borne for me, for you
Hail Hail the Word made flesh
The Babe the Son of Mary

So bring Him incense gold and myrrh
Come peasant, king to own Him
The King of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone Him
Raise raise the song on high
The Virgin sings her lullaby
Joy, joy, for Christ is born
The Babe the Son of Mary

This this is Christ the King
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud
The Babe the Son of Mary

Nails spear shall pierce Him through
The cross be borne for me for you
Hail, hail, the Word made flesh
The Babe the Son of Mary

“Love”

Philippians 2:1–11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

WE SING A SONG OF RESPONSE

O Come All Ye Faithful

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

Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
O sing all ye bright hosts
Of heav'n above
Glory to God all
Glory in the highest

Chorus

Yea Lord we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

Chorus

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BENEDICTION — 2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all*

GUIDE TO FAMILY WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Scriptures: Philippians 2:1–11

Song: What Child Is This

Missions Prayer: Ross Dixon, Midtown Pres./
Columbia, MO

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, Steve McVey, 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.

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