

ORDER OF WORSHIP

2nd Sunday after Christmas: January 3, 2021

PRELUDE

Sing We Now of Christmas (J. Krug)

Trinity Handbell Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and see!

**The light of God has come into our world
to proclaim God's justice and love;
It has overcome the darkness and brought new life.**

Come and follow!

**Christ our companion has redeemed our world
He draws us into a loving family
From every tribe and family and culture.**

Go and tell!

**The Spirit has equipped us for service
To love our neighbours as we do ourselves
To bring God's salvation to the ends of the earth.**

Come and see, come and follow, go and tell!

In God's Love the nations of the earth will put their hope.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Noel Nouvelet (B. Adams)

Kyle LaFleur, flute

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jesus Christ, born in a stable,
Be with the poor and homeless this Christmastide.

**As we pray, live and give;
shine your everlasting light.**

(silent prayer)

Jesus Christ, born of Mary,
Be with young mothers across the world this Christmastide.

**As we pray, live and give;
shine your everlasting light.**

(silent prayer)

Jesus Christ, visited by Shepherds,
Be with all who are busy working this Christmastide,
and those who long to work.

**As we pray, live and give;
shine your everlasting light.**

(silent prayer)

Jesus Christ,
who became a refugee,
Be with those who fear for their lives,
and those who have left homes and families this Christmastide.

**As we pray, live and give;
shine your everlasting light.**

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

Away in a Manger (J. Murray)

Ella Butcher

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:9-18

SERMON

“Who will you be this year?”

CLOSING RESPONSE

Benedictus, Blessed is the Lord (D. Forrest)

Sonja Funk, soprano

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light (J.S. Bach)

Becky Isaacson, organ

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