

Worship Bulletin  
**December 27, 2020**  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Christmas

**We Gather to Worship God**

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship:

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: Praise God from the heavens!**

One: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

**All: Let us praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted above earth and heaven. Alleluia!**

\*Hymn

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

PH-41

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have kept silent in midst of prejudice and hatred. We have been idle in the face of violence and injustice. We have not been a light to the nations, and our lives have not revealed your glory. Forgive us, Merciful God. Repair the ugliness of our sin and restore in us your beautiful grace...**

*(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)*

**...through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

\*Congregational Response

*Glory Be to the Father*

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**We Listen For God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson

Luke 2:22-40

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Word in Carols and Conversation

Darwin & Linda

## We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Linda & Darwin

One: Loving God,

All: hear our 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**

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

\*Congregational Response

*Doxology*

Prayer of Dedication

\*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell, the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**We Leave to Serve God**

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Congregational Response

*While We Are Waiting Come*