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Announcements:

GREENING OF THE CHURCH will take place on Monday, December 23, at 10 a.m. Please join us in preparing the sanctuary for our Christmas Eve service. For questions, call Marigene Little at 931-4306.

YEAR END GIVING. With the end of the year upon us, you might be thinking about charitable giving and tax implications, and we hope that Christ and Grace is entering into your considerations. A new page on our website has information you might find helpful. Go to ChristandGrace.org and click on Year End Giving under the "Give" tab.

2020 PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available for pick up in Lackey Hall. If you would like to know more about online giving for your 2020 pledge, instructions are available in Lackey Hall, and on our website at christandgrace.org by going to "Give" at the top of the page, or call the office for assistance at 733-7202.

THE 2020 FLOWER CHART IS UP! Sign up on the chart, fill out the form, and leave completed form with the church office. Please do not sign up without filling out a form! Completed forms may be left with the church office. Thank you for your support!



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Tuesday, December 24

8:30 p.m. Special Music from our choir

9:00 p.m. Festival Holy Eucharist

Our service will include the singing of Silent Night by candlelight.

Invite your friends and family to join us.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Wednesday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Carols

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS, December 29

(No 8:00 a.m. service)

10:30 a.m. Christmas Lessons and Carols

(No Sunday school)



The Church office will be closed from
December 25 through January 1.

If you have a pastoral emergency,
please call Robin Teasley (338-0698).



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Our Mission: Offering Hope, Healing and Hospitality

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 22, 2019

10:30 AM ADVENT IV ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Prelude *Kyrie della Madonna from Messa della Madonna*

Girolamo Frescobaldi

Entrance Hymn 437 *Tell out, my soul*

Birmingham

Collect of the Day

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Parish Announcements and Offertory Sentence

Organ Anthem at the offering:

Ricercare from Messa della Madonna

Girolamo Frescobaldi

At The Presentation Doxology Old Hundredth

(Hymn 380 vs. 3) standing

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



Christmas Pageant

Scene I: The Prophecy

Narrator

Hymn 65 *Prepare the way, O Zion* Congregation
Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near!
Let every hill and valley a level way appear.
Greet One who comes in glory, foretold in sacred story.
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

He brings God's rule, O Zion; he comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth, and love.
Lift high your praise resounding, for grace and joy abounding.
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

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Scene II: The Annunciation

Narrator

Hymn *Lo, How a rose e'er blooming* Congregation
Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming as seers of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright, amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind,
with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.
To show God's love a right, she bore to us a Savior,
when half spent was the night.

Narrator

Hymn *Once in Royal David's City* Congregation
Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven, who is God and lord of all, and his
shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, the scorned, the lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

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Scene III: The Arrival in Bethlehem

Narrator

Hymn 101 *Away in a manger* Congregation
*Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head,
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.*



Scene IV: The Angels and the Shepherds

Narrator

Hymn 93 *Angels, from the realms of glory* Congregation
*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: come and worship,
come and worship, worship Christ,
the newborn King.*

Narrator

Hymn 115 *What child is this* Congregation
*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.*



Scene V: The Magi

Narrator

HYMN 128 *We Three Kings* Congregation

*We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.*

*Refrain: O__ star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light!*

Narrator

Hymn 100 *Joy to the World* All Stand Congregation

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.*

Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude *Andante religioso from Organ Sonata No. 4* Felix Mendelssohn



**A special thank you to all our youth and children for making this
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!!
Please join us in Lackey Hall for Christmas cookies!**



Ushers: Sonyia Elder, Kathy Talmage
Audio: Jim Donnelly