



*Goodwill is Christmas Message* by Vrindaji Bowman

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**Words of Welcome:** Alan Bancroft

**Hymn:** 133 O Come All Ye Faithful

**Verse 1: All**

**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  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!**

**Verse 3: Emma Horger, Juliet Riffle, Audrey Derifaj**

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation.  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God,  
All glory in the highest  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!

**Verse 4: All**

**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
born this happy morning.  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord!**

**READING** John 1:1-5 *from Common English Bible* (Audrey Derifaj)

**Call to Worship:**

**One:** There is a surprise coming.

**All: What surprise?**

**One:** Look in a town too small to be noticed.

**All: What town?**

**One:** Look in a stable instead of a house.

**All: What stable?**

**One:** Look in a feed box instead of a crib.

**All: What feed box?**

**One:** Look for a poor baby, not a great king.

**All: What baby?**

**One:** God's surprise is coming in an unexpected place. The town is called Bethlehem with a stable therein. It houses three people who couldn't find an inn. The feed box cradles a newborn. The boy who is king of us all. Emmanuel! Jesus!

**All: Amen! Come Lord Jesus!**

**One:** Praise God for the blessings given to us!

**All: Alleluia!**

**Lighting of the Candle of Hope** (Emma Horger)

**Hymn: 100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout**

**Verse 1: All**

**My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
So from east to west shall my name be blest.  
Could the world be about to turn?  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears for the dawn draws near,  
and the world is about to turn!**

**READING** Luke 1:26-35: How Can This Happen? (Jen Pierce)

**Lighting of the Candle of Peace** (Juliet Riffle)

**Hymn: 115 Away in a Manger**

**Verse 1: All**

**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.**

**Verse 2: All**

**The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,  
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,  
and stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.**

**READING** Luke 2:1-6: A Baby is Born (Jen Pierce)

**Hymn: 113 Angels We Have Heard on High**

**Verse 1: Audrey Derifaj**

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

**Verse 3: All**

**Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him Whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King  
Gloria In Excelsis Deo  
Gloria In Excelsis Deo**

**READING** Luke 2:8-20: Surprise Visitors (Jen Pierce)

**Lighting of the Candle of Joy** (Audrey Derifaj)

**Hymn: 151 We Three Kings**

**Verse 1: All**

**We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain  
Moor and mountain  
Following yonder star  
O star of wonder, star of night  
Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading, still proceeding  
Guide us to thy perfect light**

**READING** Matthew 2:1-12: Visitors from the East (Jen Pierce)

**Lighting of the Candle of Love** (Emma Horger)

**Hymn: 119 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

**Verse 1: All**

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 host proclaim:  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"  
Hark! the herald angels sing:  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

**Verse 3: All**

**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 we no more may die  
Born to raise us from the earth  
Born to give us second birth  
Hark! the herald angels sing:  
"Glory to the newborn King!"**

**READING** Isaiah 9:6-7 *from Common English Bible* (Juliet Riffle)

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** (Audrey Derifaj)

**Hymn: 122 Silent Night**

**Verse 1: All**

**Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace**

**Verse 2: Emma Horger**

Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ the Savior is born  
Christ the Savior is born

**Verse 3: All**

**Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth**

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer:** Alan Bancroft

**Hymn:** 134 Joy to the World

**Verse 1: All**

**Joy to the world, the Lord has 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**

**Charge and Benediction:** Jen Pierce

**Hymn:** 134 Joy to the World

**Verse 2: All**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy**

**Verse 4: All**

**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**

Unless otherwise noted,  
all Bible passages tonight will be read from the  
*Growing in God's Love Story Bible*.  
This evening's candle readings and benediction  
were adapted from materials by Traci Smith in  
*Faithful Families for Advent and Christmas*.

**Tonight's Service Participants**

**Minister:** Alan Bancroft

**Children's Ministry Coordinator:** Jen Pierce

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Readers and Singers:**

Audrey Derifaj, Emma Horger, Juliet Riffle,

**Djembe:** Ben Mount

**Greeters:** Jason and Sarah Derifaj

**Ushers:** Sandy and Duncan Hutchinson





*Poinsettias*  
*Christmas 2021*



*Cary Presbyterian Church*

## Given in Loving Memory of:

- Barbara and Jim Turner, *by Sally Adams*
- David Batchelor, *by Ann Batchelor*
- Tom's parents, Ray and Nancy Bolick, *by Tom and Jeanne Bolick*
- Jeanne's parents, Bob and Doris Latimer and brother Doug Latimer, *by Tom and Jeanne Bolick.*
- George Michael Burke, husband, *by Penny Burke*
- Michael Patrick Burke, son, *by Penny Burke*
- Alice Albert Nelson, *by Caroline and Jason Derifaj*
- Robin Diggs, *by Russell Diggs*
- David Voss and Virginia Dunbar *by Ian and Jane Dunbar*
- Dora and Curtis Gibbs, *by Henry and Onita Gibbs*
- Louise and Wesley Stack, *by Henry and Onita Gibbs*
- Connie Culpepper and Bill Stack, *by Henry and Onita Gibbs*
- Francis Giesbrecht, *by Peg Giesbrecht*
- Kathy Giesbrecht, *by Peg Giesbrecht*
- Helene and Larry Wieler, *by Peg Giesbrecht*
- Gary Govert, husband, *by Ellen Govert*
- Kathy Almond, *by Becky Hambrick*
- Those we loved and lost this year, *by Sue Harley*
- Jim Hobbs, husband, *by Naureen Hobbs*
- Mrs. Charlotte Leslie, *by Cindy and Bill Leslie*
- Dr. Grover Miller, *by Cindy and Bill Leslie*
- Dr. John and Mabel McGill, *by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker*
- Doris and Addison Slaymaker, Sr., *by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker*

- Carroll Slaymaker, *by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker*
- Geraldine Pearce, *by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker*
- David Blackwood, *by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker*
- Hardy Rothrock, *by Anne Rothrock*
- David Voss, *by Lynn Voss*
- Lynn's parents, John and Jane Hammond, *by Lynn Voss*
- Everett and Leona Wease, *by Ann and Ken Wease*
- Alice's parents, Vance and Alice Jenny, *by Alice Williams*
- Richard and Elaine Wood, *by Richard Wood*

## *Given in Honor of:*

- Our dedicated CPC staff, *by Jeanne and Tom Bolick*
- The Spirit of Christmas, *by Meredith Bullis*
- Paul and Sarah Lang, *by Nancy Smith*
- The Viser/Woody family, *by Peggy Viser*

*Following the 5:00 service purchased poinsettias may be taken  
from the poinsettia tree in the Narthex  
or from the chancel steps.*

*Following the 8:00 service purchased poinsettias may be taken  
from any chancel location or from the Narthex.*



# **ASP**

## **Appalachia**

SERVICE PROJECT

**Tonight's offering will support  
CPC's 2021 ASP Mission Trip,  
rebuilding homes and lives.**

**This summer will be CPC's 30th ASP mission trip.  
Checks should indicate "ASP" in the memo line.**

### **A Word about Tonight's Service**

So that you and others around you  
may be fully present to this service of worship,  
please silence cell phones  
and refrain from photography.