

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church (USA)

~ Fourth Sunday of Advent ~

December 19, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

Masks required for all regardless of vaccination status.

Vaccinated worship leaders may remove masks while actively leading the congregation. If you brought your own food and drink, you can remove your mask when actively consuming. In an effort to create a safe environment, you may be reminded about our policies while with us.

Unmasked choir members have received a negative covid rapid test result this morning.

** Please stand in body or in spirit.*

We acknowledge that our church is on the traditional homelands of the Puyallup Tribe. The Puyallup people have lived on and stewarded these lands since the beginning of time, and continue to do so today. We recognize that this land acknowledgment is one small step toward true allyship and we commit to uplifting the voices, experiences, and histories of the Indigenous people of this land and beyond.

Greeting and Announcements

Rev. John Asher

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

*Roxanne Johnson & Jane Ann Severin
Choir with congregational singing (see insert)*

In this season of Advent, we pray for God's peace.

Christ is our light, and the source of our peace.

We witness the hostility between nations and neighbors.

Christ is our light, and the source of our peace.

We see a world full of fractured relationships and unforgiving hearts.

Christ is our light, and the source of our peace.

We seek relief from our own inner turmoil and restlessness.

Christ is our light, and the source of our peace.

Lighting of the Candles

Introduction "Bidding Prayer (Gloria-deo-Cantata)" *Rev. John Asher*

.... And now, let us pray together the prayer Christ taught us

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.

Reading Isaiah 7:14; Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Song "Now Let All the World Be Silent"

Reading Isaiah 11; Luke 1:26-33

Song "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
(Hymn #2 with congregation)

Reading Luke 1:34-35, 38; Luke 2 (paraphrased)

Song "Breath of Heaven"

Reading Luke 2:7-16

Song "Arise!" (Let There Be Christmas Cantata)

Reading Luke 2:15-19

Song "Still Still Still" (Gloria Deo cantata)

Homily *Rev. John Asher*

Offering

Song -- "Turn Your Heart To Christmas" (Canticles in Candlelight cantata)

Reading John 1:1-5, 14

Song "Silent Night" (God With Us or Canticles cantata)
(Hymn #60 with congregation)

Reading Psalm 98:1-6

Song "Joy to the World" (God With Us Cantata)
(with 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.**

(choir)

**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.**

* Benediction

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Thank you to the following participants of this morning's service:

Choir Director

Erin Calata

Pianist

Sheri Martin

Readers

Rev. John Asher

Anne Bennett

Roxanne Johnson



Soprano

Helen Carpenter

Nancy Doty

Janice Duvall

Heather James

Lindsay Martin

Lisa Martin

Alto

Sandy Cannon

Teresa Noll

Jane VonHeeder

Jan Williams

Betty Young

Tenor

Dom Calata

Bruce Carpenter

Jim Doty

John Stevens

Bill VonHeeder

Bass

Don Bennett

Paul Cascio

Ken Emly

Mark Severin

Dave Williams

Instrumentalists

Kelly Marsh - violin

Alonso Tirado - violin

Daniel Kolb - viola

Katie Noll - viola

Petra Tabor - cello

Kristi Comyns - flute

Carson Noll - bassoon

2 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Charles Wesley, 1744

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Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831

1. Come, Thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy
2. Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child and

peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
yet a King, Born to reign in us for - ev - er,

Let us find our rest in Thee. Is - rael's strength and con - so -
Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring. By Thine own e - ter - nal

la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear de - sire of
Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone; By Thine all - suf -

ev - ery na - tion, Joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

Joy to the World!

ANTIOCH CM with repeat

Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.

Attr. George Frederick Handel, 1742

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1836

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth re -
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns: Let us our
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in -
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

ceive her King; Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Him room,
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 fest the ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous - ness,

And heaven and na - ture sing, And heaven and na - ture
 Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
 Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
 And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His
 And heaven and na - ture sing,

And

sing, And heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

Silent Night, Holy Night

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STILLE NACHT Irregular

Joseph Mohr, 1818

Trans. John Freeman Young, 1863

Franz Xaver Gruber, 1818

B \flat F B \flat E \flat

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright, Round yon
 2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight, Glo - ries
 3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light Ra - dian
 4. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Won-drous star, lend thy light; With the

B \flat E \flat B \flat

vir - gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild,
 stream from heav - en a - far, Heaven - ly hosts sing: "Al - le - lu - ia;
 beams from Thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,
 an - gels let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia to our King;

F B \flat F B \flat

Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born."
 Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.
 Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born.

1. Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
 Alles schläft, einsam wacht
 Nur das traute, hochheilige Paar.
 Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,
 Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh',
 Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'!

2. Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
 Hirten erst kundgemacht
 Durch der Engel Alleluja,
 Tönt est laut von fern und nah:
 Christ der Retter ist da,
 Christ der Retter ist da!

3. Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
 Gottes Sohn, o wie lacht
 Lieb' aus deinem göttlichen Mund,
 Da uns schlägt die rettende Stund':
 Christ, in deiner Geburt,
 Christ, in deiner Geburt!