



BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Sylvia Oines

Welcome

Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Light the Christ Candle

Worship Leader, Ellie Shoop

Silent Listening to God

Call to Worship

Hymn *O Come All Ye Faithful* #133 (verse 1, 3 & 4)

Ensemble

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

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation

Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above

Glory to God, all glory in the highest (*Chorus*)

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning

Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing (*Chorus*)

Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

Ellie Shoop

Scripture Reading Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹ Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³ When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴ Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." ⁴⁹ He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not

know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹ Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

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Leader: You have given all to me

People: **To you, Lord, I return it**

Leader: Everything is Yours

People: **Do with it what You will**

Leader: Give me only Your love and Your grace

People: **That is enough for me**

Special Music *Winter Snow* by Audrey Assad

Ensemble

You could've come like a mighty storm, with all the strength of a hurricane
You could've come like a forest fire, with the power of heaven in Your name

*But You came like a winter snow, quiet and soft and slow
Falling from the sky in the night to the earth below*

You could've swept in like a tidal wave or in an ocean to ravish our hearts
You could've come through like a roaring flood
To wipe away the things we've scarred (*Chorus*)

Your voice wasn't in a bush burning
Your voice wasn't in a rushing wind
It was still, it was small, it was hidden (*Chorus*)

You came falling from the sky
In the night to the earth below

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ushers

Children's Time

Sylvia Oines

Sermon *What Comes Next?*

Fredrik Mansfield

Our Prayers to God [>>>Click here for the Virtual Prayer Wall](#)

Pastor, Danielle Merseles

Song *Joy to the World* #134 (verses 1, 2 & 4)

Ensemble

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
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
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

Fredrik Mansfield

Closing Song *Go Now In Peace*

Ensemble

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere you may go (*Repeat*)

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Postlude

Sylvia Oines

Preaching Today Fredrik Mansfield

Leading Worship Ellie Shoop

Ministers You, who are touched by God's grace, being healed by God's love

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