

THIS SEASON LET'S DO

All the Good

Now What?

December 26, 2021

We Gather

Prelude *Now Is Born the Divine Christ Child (He Is Born)* Lucy Kunkler
WORDS: Trad. French carol; trans. *Crown of Jesus*, 1862
MUSIC: French carol melody; arr. by Edward Shippen Barnes, 1937; harm. by Austin C. Lovelace, 1964
ARR: Fred Bock, 1984
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Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Series Introduction

We Hear

Advent Candle Lighting Lighting the Candles of the Advent Wreath Sonnen Family

Opening Song *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Jim and the Jimmettes
WORDS: John F. Wade, ca. 1733; trans. by Frederick Oakeley, 1841, and others
MUSIC: John F. Wade, ca. 1733; harm. from *Collections of Motetts or Antiphons*, 1792
CCLI Song # 31054
CCLI # 11365960

***Prayer for Illumination¹** Mike Ostrom
God of light, you have revealed your very self to us in your son Jesus Christ, your one Word made flesh, who lived among us, full of grace and truth. Open us to your revelation once again, that in the words of your holy scripture we might know your presence and follow in your light always. Amen.

***Scripture** Luke 2:41-52 Mike Ostrom

⁴¹Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival

¹ <https://www.liturgylink.net/2011/12/31/prayer-of-illumination-for-christmastide/>

was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming 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. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When 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.' ⁴⁹He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gathering of Children

Pastor Lisa

Message

Now What?

Pastor Lisa

We Respond

Song of Response

Joy to the World

Karin's Crew

WORDS: Isaac Watts, 1719

MUSIC: Arr. from G.F. Handel, 1741, by Lowell Mason, 1848

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*Prayers of the People

Prayer response: God, to your love, **we trust this prayer.**

*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.

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Offering Prayer²

We are grateful for generous hearts made joyful by the gift of your Son. For you, O God, are generosity itself. Bless these gifts we offer to benefit those in need. Bless our lives in service of sharing your love in the world. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Closing Song

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Marge's Musicale

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739; alt. by George Whitefield, 1753, and others

MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn, 1840; arr. by William H. Cummings, 1856

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Benediction

Thanks to the Kunkler Quartet!

Karin Sonnen, Marge Dunn, Jim Hornaday, and Lucy Kunkler

² Adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companions Year C, vol. 1, 28.