



Jonathan Benedetti

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ever. Amen.

## December 29, 2019 | First Sunday After Christmas Day

Welcome to our guests: We hope you find this service meaningful and that you will come again. Nursery care is available for infants and small children during worship and Sunday School. Ushers and greeters will be happy to give you directions and assist you.

\*People standing, as able.

| <b>Ringing of the Tower Bells</b> |                          |  |  |  |
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| Prelude                           | Christmas with Strangers |  |  |  |
| The Life of th                    | e Church                 |  |  |  |

## **\***Passing the Peace

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

| *Greeting  |  | Romnie Scott   |
|------------|--|----------------|
|            | The grace of our Lord be with you.<br>And also with you. |                |
| *Call to W | orship   | from Psalm 148 |
| Pastor:    | Praise the Lord!   |                |
| People:    | Praise the Lord of heaven!                               |                |
| Pastor:    | Praise God on the heights!                               |                |
| People:    | Praise God, all of you who are his messengers!           |                |
| All:       | Amen.  |                |

| Hymn of Praise | Once in Royal David's City | UMH 250 |
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| <b>Offertory Prayer</b>   |  | Jay Jackson  | *A Readin                 |  |
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| You can also text yo  | ur offering to 903-417-0707  |  |                           |  |
| Offertory   | "Ding Dong! Merrily on High"<br>Singing Ensemble   | Charles Wood   | Lay Rea<br><b>People:</b> |  |
|   | on high in heav'n the bells are ringing:<br>ith angel-singing. Gloria, hosanna in exc  |  | Sermon                    |  |
|   | , below, let steeple bells be swungen, o   | and io, io, io, by                                       | Sermon                    |  |
| priest and people sungen: Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!<br>Pray you, dutifully prime your matin chime, ye ringers; may you beautifully |  | *Special N   |                           |  |
|   | e song, ye singers. Gloria, hosanna in ex  |  |                           |  |
| *Doxology   |  |  | Hymn of ]                 |  |
| Praise God from   | m whom all blessings flow; praise him  |  | *Sending                  |  |
| here below; Pra<br>and Holy Ghost   | ise Him above, ye heavenly host; prai<br>. Amen.   | se Father, Son,  | *Postlude                 |  |
| *Morning Prayer   |  | Romnie Scott   | ×0/9                      |  |
| where the Ligh<br>human night.<br>our world, so th  | your splendor shines from a manger<br>at of the world is humbly born into<br>Open our eyes to Christ's presence in<br>hat we, like him, may become beacons<br>f all for whom there is no room. Amen.           | the darkness of<br>the shadows of<br>of your justice,    | Z' Chi<br>K               |  |
| *Hymn of Meditat  | ion There's a Song in the Air  | UMH 249  | In addition<br>Holy We    |  |
| Children's Momen  | nt   | Romnie Scott   | Whatever                  |  |
| Children may me   | eet Romnie in the Chancel area.  |  | offer you<br>music!       |  |
| Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer   |  | Jay Jackson  |                           |  |
| come, thy will b<br>daily bread. A<br>trespass against  | o art in heaven, hallowed be thy name<br>e done on earth as it is in heaven. Give<br>nd forgive us our trespasses, as we fo<br>t us. And lead us not into temptation<br>hine is the kingdom, and the power, an | e us this day our<br>rgive those who<br>, but deliver us | Paul R                    |  |

| A Reading from t  | the Gospels              |                                |  |  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
|   | Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23  |                                |  |  |
|   | Lay Reader: Shirley I    | Kibbe                          |  |  |
| Lay Reader: This is the word of the Lord.<br><b>People: Thanks be to God.</b> |                          |                                |  |  |
| ermon   | "Like it was Jesus"      | Becca Newcomb                  |  |  |
| Special Music   | "Jesus"<br>Jeremy Brewer | Shaun Groves/Michael Hazeltine |  |  |

mn of Invitation Good Christian Friends, Rejoice **UMH 224** 

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God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

## Join the Chancel Choir!

Becca Newcomb

Wilbur Held



The Chancel Choir sings music encompassing a wide variety of styles - from the great traditional choral classics to the inspired music of today's contemporary composers - and we have great fellowship too!

addition to our weekly anthems, we will be working on our music for oly Week, including the Easter Cantata on Palm Sunday (April 5).

/hatever kind of music you are into, the Chancel Choir has something to ffer you! Make that leap of faith and join us as we praise God through

*For more information, please contact me at the church* Paul Roberts, Director of Music and Fine Arts (903 753 4463 Ext. 140)

Wishing you a

## Happy New Year!