

# First Sunday after Christmas December 29, 2024

## In Preparation for Worship

Your face has shone upon us, O God, in the young woman who is with child. She will bear a son and name him Emmanuel, “God with us.” Your presence shall hereafter be a source of comfort and guidance to all that call on your name. Your footsteps shall accompany us, your breath shall give us new life, your arms will console us, and your hands will be there to welcome us home. You are a God for all seasons and give us all reason to worship your name.

Chiming of the Hour  
Prelude and Silent Meditation  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem” (arr. Wilbur Held)

Words of Welcome and Concerns of the Church

## Invocation

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God in the heights.

People: All the shining stars praise you, O God, for you commanded and they were created.

Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth, young men and women alike, old and young together.

People: Let everyone praise the name of the Lord, for your glory is above earth and Heaven.

Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise  
“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” #132

\*Apostles’ Creed Hymnal Page 35  
\*Gloria Patri Hymnal Page 581

## Dedication

Reading of the Word: John 10:22-30 Page 104

\*Doxology Hymnal Page 606

\*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem Jeff Clise  
“Angels From The Realms of Glory” (arr. by Jack Schrader)

## Supplication

Morning Prayer

Prayer Response “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” (Chorus) #136

## Exposition

Children’s Message/Kids of the Kingdom

\*Hymn “The First Noel” #147

Preaching of the Word: Chris Johnson  
“Do You Hear What I Hear?”

Prayer of Application

## Consecration

\*Hymn of Consecration  
“Joy to the World” #134

\*Benediction

\*Postlude  
“Noel” (Louis C D’aquin)

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\* Congregation will stand if able  
Offering plate is at the entrance to sanctuary!

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