

First Sunday of Christmas

December 28, 2025

In Preparation for Worship

Your steadfast love endures forever, O God; your name is heralded throughout the land. Songs of rejoicing are heard in your sanctuary as hymns of praise proceed from our mouths. You fill your people with the gift of your Holy Spirit; you send forth a Savior with the promise of new life. You are our God, and great are your wonderful deeds. We worship you now in great adoration.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude and Silent Meditation

“What Child Is This?” (arr. Raymond Haan)

Invocation

Words of Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call to Worship

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever ;
I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

People: I declare that your steadfast love is established
forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Leader: You said, “I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.”

People: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.

Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn of Praise

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” #132

*Apostle’s Creed

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*Gloria Patri

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Dedication

Reading of the Word: Matthew 2:1-12

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*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

“Joseph’s Song” (sung by Sandra Smith)

Supplication

Morning Prayer

Prayer Response

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain” (Chorus)

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Exposition

Children’s Message/Kids of the Kingdom

*Hymn “The First Nowell”

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Preaching of the Word: “**Credentials of the King**” Chris Brunner

Prayer of Application

Consecration

*Hymn of Consecration

“Joy to the World”

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*Benediction

*Postlude

“Gigue on “In Dulci Jubilo”

(arr. Gordon Young)

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



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