

## GO OUT TO SERVE

\*Hymn "The First Nowell" Hymnal #147, vs 1,4,6

### \*Benediction and Congregational Response

"Go Tell It on the Mountain" Hymnal #136, Ref.

*Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;*

*Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!*

### Postlude

### Serving Today

#### Ushers

Michelle Crownhart  
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#### Sermon on the Steps

Rev. Dr. Gary Ziccardi

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#### Liturgist

Steve Wood

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# Faith Presbyterian Church

A family of Christ, welcoming all, worshiping God,  
growing in the Spirit and joyously serving others



Interim/Transition Ministry Specialist Pastor: Rev. Dr. Gary J. Ziccardi

Christian Education is available for Children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger. They will be escorted from the front of the sanctuary right after the Children's Message. A Crib Room is available under the sanctuary on the parking lot level. Questions? See an usher.

Large print hymnals and hearing assistance devices are available from an usher.

If you are able, please stand where you see an asterisk.

### SERVICE OF WORSHIP

DECEMBER 31, 2017 9:30 AM

### ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*Good morning! As the music for meditation is played and the acolyte lights the candles, please use this time in silent meditation as we prepare to worship and meet God in this sanctuary.*

### Music for Meditation

#### Words for Preparation:

<sup>4</sup> I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed: "Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, - Daniel 9:4

### The Playing of the Bells

#### Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

Rev. Dr. Gary Ziccardi

During this period, please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it through the pew and back to the aisle. If you have special prayers of praise or concern, write them on the cards in the pew racks, fold in half and pass them to the center aisle at the time of the prayers for the people. We conclude by singing together:

"We Will Glorify the King of Kings" Renew #33, vs 1,4

\* We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;

We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb;

Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

#### Choral Introit:

"When the Morning Gilds the Skies"

arr. D. Bird

## The Call to Worship

Steve Wood

Leader: Glory to God, who creates wonder and justice! God covers the earth with abundant life and plants our hearts firmly within his right way. Alleluia!

People: Glory to Jesus Christ, who gives mercy and peace! Jesus teaches us the way of faith and brings love to our hearts. Alleluia!

Leader: Glory to the Holy Spirit, who showers us with grace and wonder! The Spirit grants each of us gifts for service and courage for each day. Alleluia!

\*Hymn "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" Hymnal # 132

## \*Prayer of Adoration

\*Congregational Response "O Come, Let Us Adore Him" Renew #1, vs 1,3

*O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;*

*O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

*For he alone is worthy. For he alone is worthy.*

*For he alone is worthy, Christ the Lord.*

## ACKNOWLEDGING OUR NEED FOR MERCY

### Prayer of Confession

All: God of Wonder and Justice: your power is greater than our imagination, yet you seek to guide us with a gentle hand. We confess we confuse your gentle way for permission to keep going the wrong way, forgive our rebellion! We confess we toss aside your wisdom for the comfort of our own feelings, forgive our pride! We acknowledge we do not consider how what we do will hurt those who love us, forgive our blindness! God of Justice, the wonder is that you are still merciful! Help us to find your right way and cleanse our hearts!

(Moments of Silent Reflection)

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: As Jesus healed the afflicted and restored those who have died, he also forgives our sins and gives us new life. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

\*Gloria Patri Hymnal #581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Sermon on the Steps Rev. Dr. Gary Ziccardi

Choir Anthem: "Whisper! Whisper!" J. Althouse

### Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:22-40

Sermon "Is it Time? Kairos vs. Chronos" Rev. Dr. Gary Ziccardi

## RESPONDING TO GOD

\*Hymn "Mary and Joseph Came to the Temple" Hymnal #148

### Prayers of the People

#### 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### Giving God our Tithes and Offerings

#### Offertory

\*Doxology Hymnal #606  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

All: Receive these gifts and our hearts, O Christ of Hope. Make us Your hands and feet upon this earth, our island home. May we be implements of Thy peace, now and always. Amen.