

MORNING WORSHIP

December 22, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Prelude
Greeting

APPROACHING GOD

(Lord, may your holy name be praised in all the earth!)

*Call to Worship *(In the bulletin)* **Luke 2:8-14**

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Opening Hymn **Trinity Psalter #313**
Angels, from the Realms of Glory

*Confession of Faith **Westminster Confession – Ch. 8 (2)**

2. The Son of God, the second person in the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon him man's nature, with all the essential properties, and common infirmities thereof, yet without sin; being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion, composition, or confusion. Which person is very God, and very man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man.

*Congregation Standing

CONFESSING OUR SINS TO GOD

(Lord, forgive us our sins according to your steadfast love.)

God's Standard of Righteousness *(p. 1087)* **Luke 1:12-17**

Prayer of Confession

God's Grace in Christ **Matthew 1:20-23**

*Hymn of Thanksgiving **Trinity Psalter #317**
What Child Is This

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

(Lord, teach us your Word, that we may walk in your truth.)

Sermon Text *(p. 762)* **Isaiah 40:1-11**

*Hymn of Preparation **Trinity Psalter #298**
Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Sermon "TIDINGS OF COMFORT IN CHRIST"

RESPONDING TO GOD

(Lord, we gladly give you our praise, our gifts, and our lives.)

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Hymn of Response **Trinity Psalter #319**
O Come, All Ye Faithful

Prayer of Intercession

COMMUNING WITH CHRIST

(Lord, form Christ in us so that we would reflect your glory.)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Closing Hymn **Trinity Psalter #570**
Doxology

*Benediction

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS: *It is a joy to have you join us in fulfilling man's highest calling, namely the worship of our holy God!*

Luke 2:8-14

⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴**“Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom
he is pleased!”**