Hope + Peace + Joy + Love



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

Larry Landusky

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annie Bray

Break forth, O beautiful, heavenly light to herald our salvation.

He stoops to earth-the God of might our hope and expectation.

The power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

This child weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be.

He comes in human flesh to dwell.

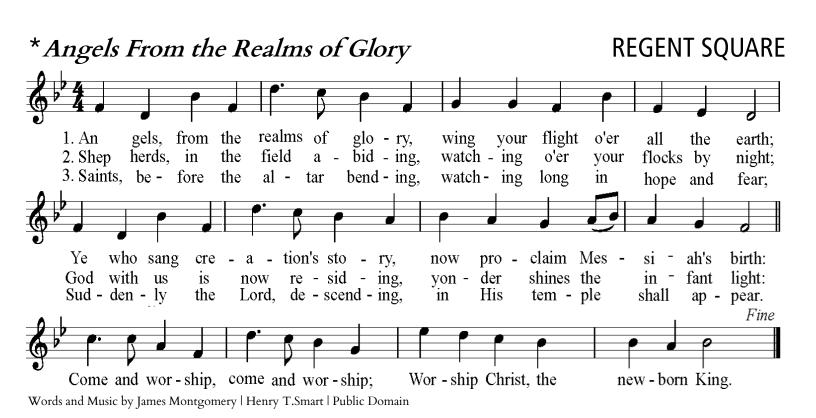
Our God with us Immanuel.

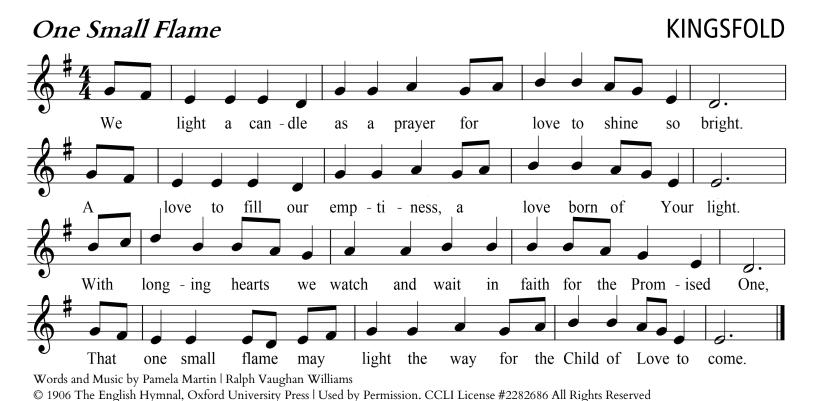
The King shall come when morning dawns and light and beauty brings.

Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray, come quickly, King of kings.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.





SCRIPTURE READING

McCauley Family, Betty Cagle *John 3:16–21*

¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Those who believe in him are not condemned, but those who do not believe are condemned already because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹ But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Word of God for the People of God.

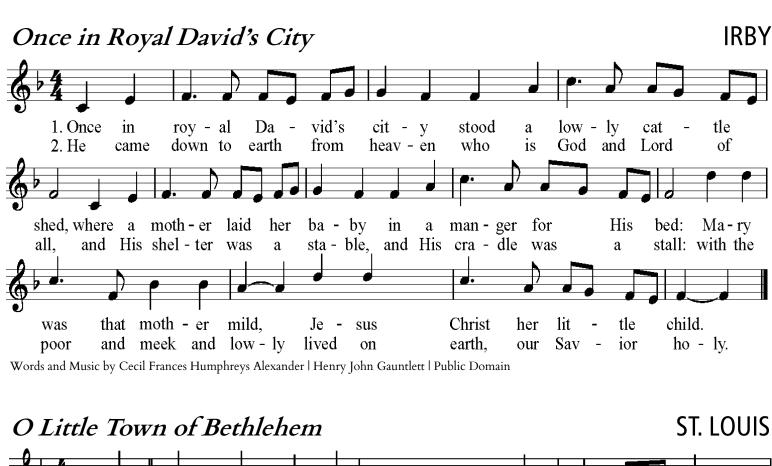
Thanks be to God!

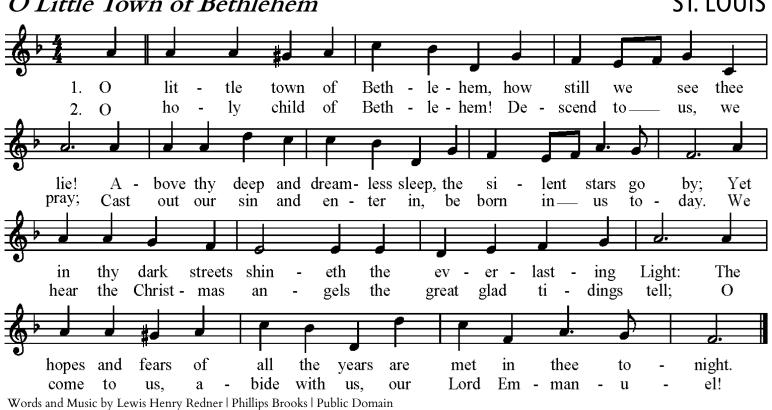
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF LOVE

CHILDREN'S TIME (10:45 AM)

Annie Bray

All children are invited to come forward. Following Children's Time, ages 4-5 are invited to Preschool Praise, room #102 of the Children's Wing.





Baptism of Chmyra Kinney (10:45)

BAPTISMAL LITANY

Tim Lyles

Believing that God in Jesus Christ loves the whole world, including me. Recognizing that I have sinned, and will continue to fall short of the beauty of God's plan

Accepting Jesus as Lord and Christ of my life, and being washed in the waters of Christian baptism to symbolize my liberation from death, and my resurrection to abundant life

I now publicly confess that Jesus Christ is Lord of my life and destiny. By the power of the Holy Spirit, I vow to live in devotion to God, in cooperation with Christ's church, and in fellowship with the global community of believers.

Because of the love, power, and acceptance of God in Christ, I am transformed.

The past is finished; everything is now fresh and new.

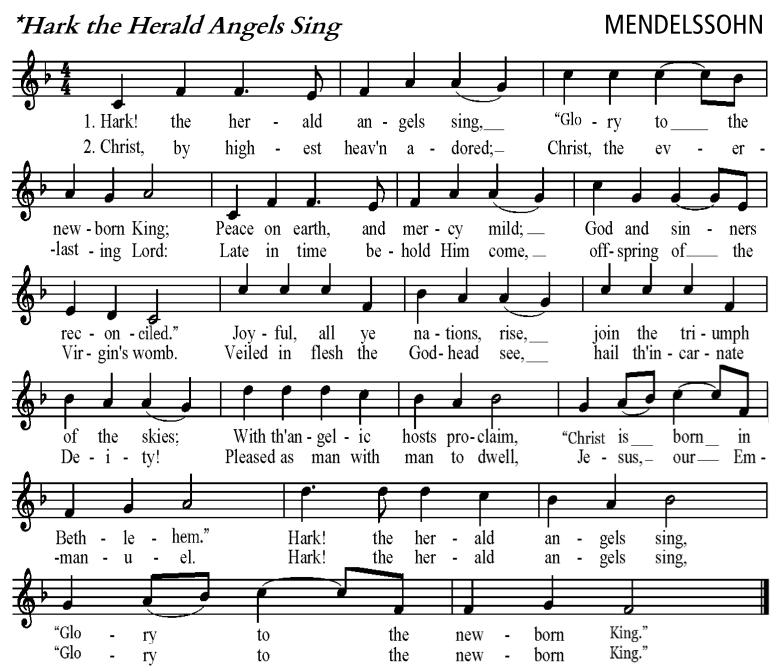
THE BAPTISM OF CHMYRA KINNEY (John 3:16)

Luke 1:39-55

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, 40 where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. 41 When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit 42 and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? 44 For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." 46 And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, 47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸ for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant. Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed, 49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name; 50 indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. 51 He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. 52 He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly; 53 he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. 54 He has come to the aid of his child Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, 55 according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!



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Tom Hodges

Sweet Little Jesus Boy

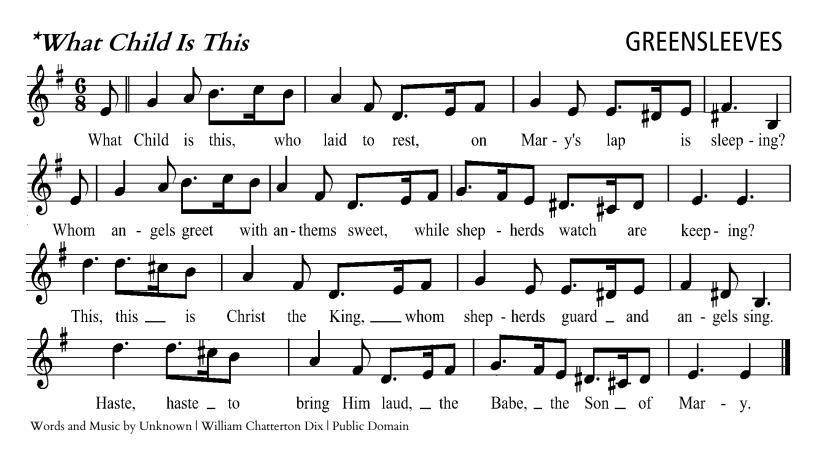
PROCLAMATION

Charles Johnson

Soul Magnifier

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

You are invited to dedicate your life to Christ, join our faith community, or answer a call from God to do ministry in this world by coming forward during the hymn and share this decision with a pastor.



THE MORNING OFFERING

Please drop your connection card and offering in the plate as it is passed. If you would like to donate online, please go to secondb.org/give or @secondbaptistlbk on Venmo

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Joy Vann, Alan Lackey

OFFERTORY

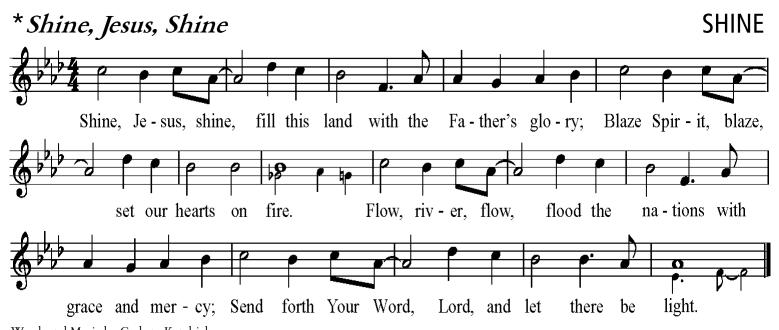
Marilyn Arland and Larry Landusky

Christmas Medley

arranged by Stephen Nielson and Ovid Young

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please share the peace with those near you.



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*PASTORAL BENEDICTION

Charles Johnson

YEAR END GIVING

It's always inspiring when Second B members are still asking about giving opportunities as the end of the year approaches. You can make an end-of-year contribution at any time through December 31. Contributions made before December 31 will be tax deductible for 2024.

2024 NEEDS: \$1,110,349.00

GIVEN TO DATE: \$1,037,781.00

This Week at 2h

TODAY

COFFEE DUTY - Connections Class

8:30 am: Early Worship

9:30 am: Sunday School/Bible Study

Youth Ministry

10:45 am: Late Worship & Livestream

4:00 pm: Bells Gloria Rehearsal

6:00 pm: Second Chance Al-Anon

MONDAY, December 23

No Activities

TUESDAY, December 24

All Day: Church Office Closed for Christmas

5:00 pm: Carols, Candles & Communion Christmas Eve Service

WEDNESDAY, December 25

All Day: Church & Offices Closed for Christmas

THURSDAY, December 26

All Day: Church & Offices Closed for Christmas

FRIDAY, December 27

All Day: Church & Offices Closed for Christmas

^{*}Please stand if it is comfortable to do so

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Every Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm in Conference Center. Call Maribeth Williams at (806) 781-2286 for more info.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Every Tuesday: B&B Book Club - Meets every Tuesday at 11:00. B & B is currently reading, A is for Alabaster" by Anna Carter Florence. 52 reflections on the stories of Scripture. We welcome anyone to join our group. Contact La Nelle Ethridge for more information, 806-786-8207.



WE TAKE SERIOUSLY OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer cards are available. Please place your filled out card and offerings in the box on the rear wall of the Worship Hall or place in the offering plate as it is passed during worship.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE.

Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

Every Member a Minister

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