



Happy
NEW YEAR

10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday, December 31st

PRELUDE

“To Shepherds as They Watched by Night”

arr. Paul Manz

Organ

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “Joy to World”

OPENING LITURGY

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: You, O Lord, have brought us to this day

C: and to the close of another year.

P: As we remember the year that is past,

C: forgive us, O Lord.

P: As we turn to the year that is ahead,

C: lead us, O Lord.

P: Teach us to number our days

C: That we may get a heart of wisdom

P: Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love

C: That we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

P: As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field;

C: For the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

P: But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children,

C: To those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Moment of Silent Confession

P: Merciful Father, we have squandered and abused Your gift of time. We have used Your gift for evil, failed to live as a people set apart, and demonstrated more fear than trust to those around us.

C: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May He who began this good work within you bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

P: Oh sing to the Lord a new song,
C: **For he has done marvelous things!**

P: His right hand and his holy arm
C: **Have worked salvation for him.**

P: The Lord has made known his salvation;
C: **He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

P: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
C: **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

P: Our help is in the name of the LORD,
C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and the to Holy Spirit;
C: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

RESPONSE “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 40:28-31 [ESV]

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.
Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL John 4:7-29 [ESV]

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?”

R: This is the Gospel of Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

STATEMENT of FAITH *The Apostles’ Creed*

RESPONSE “Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year”

SERMON “BEING ‘PRESENT’ IN THE NEW YEAR”

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”

arr. James Biery

Organ

NEW YEAR’S EVE LITANY

P: Sing to the Lord a new song,

C: **for He has done marvelous things.**

P: As we enter a New Year, we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we struggle through division, we look to Christ for unity, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we consider our sins and failures of the past year, we look to Christ for forgiveness, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we seek to love our neighbors and enemies, we look to Christ for guidance, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we run the race set before us, we look to Christ for endurance, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we mourn those who have died in the past year, we look to Christ for comfort, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things.

P: As we lay down our brokenness at the foot of the cross, we look to Christ for victory, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for He has done marvelous things. Amen.

P: Let us pray. Eternal God, we commit to Your mercy and forgiveness the year now ending and commend to Your blessing and love the times yet to come. In the New Year, abide among us with Your Holy Spirit that we may always trust in the saving name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“What is This Lovely Fragrance”

arr. Paul Manz

Organ

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE “Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year”

POSTLUDE

“Joy to the World”

Organ

arr. Gordon Young



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