

DECEMBER 12, 2021

**JESUS WAS BORN OF A WOMAN TO REDEEM US  
FROM THE CURSE OF THE LAW BY BECOMING A CURSE FOR US**

The Prelude

*What Child is This?*

arr. P. Manz

The Call to Worship

Rev. Dean Williams

The Song of Praise

*Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Come, behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King. He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity. In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come. Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man. In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin. See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man. Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree. In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory. See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold. Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life, but no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive! *What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope. Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes. (repeat)*

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The Invocation

Rev. Williams

The Hymn No. 221

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung, of Jesse's lineage coming, as men of old have sung. It came, a flow'ret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind; with Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind. To show God's love aright she bore to men a Savior, when half-spent was the night.

The shepherds heard the story, proclaimed by angels bright, how Christ, the Lord of glory, was born on earth this night. To Bethlehem they sped and in the manger found him, as angel heralds said.

This flow'r, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air, dispels with glorious splendor the darkness ev'rywhere. True man, yet very God; from sin and death he saves us and lightens ev'ry load.

O Savior, child of Mary, who felt our human woe; O Savior, King of glory who dost our weakness know, bring us at length, we pray, to the bright courts of heaven and to the endless day.

German hymn, ca. 1500 arr. by Michael Praetorius, 1609

The Scripture Reading

**I Peter 2:9-25**

The Presentation of New Members

1. *Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?*
2. *Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?*
3. *Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?*
4. *Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?*
5. *Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?*

The Offertory

*Go Tell it on the Mountain*

arr. M. Hayes

*Children in the 2-3 year old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.*

The Song

*How Sweet the Day*

How sweet the day when Christ was born, when God Himself took human form. He came to wash our sins away, our death to die, our debt to pay.

How sweet the day when Hope appeared, the One who frees us from our fears. He came to break the power of sin and give us power to follow Him.

*Oh sing for joy, lift up your voice! Let us sing for joy, the whole earth rejoice! Let us sing for joy to the Son, for Jesus our Savior has come!*

How sweet the day when Christ returns, we'll see the one for whom we yearn. Then we'll look full upon His face, our hearts will burst with songs of praise. *Chorus 2x.*

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The Intercessory Prayer

Mr. Eddie Moran

The Scripture Reading

**Isaiah 52:13-53:12**

The Sermon

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

*Songs of the Servant: Our Suffering Substitute*

The Hymn of Response No. 246

*Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood, sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was he; full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die, "It is finished!" was his cry; now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring, then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Words and music by Philip Bless, 1875

The Benediction

Rev. Cangelosi

A CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

6:00 P. M.

Our covenant children in the Cherub Choir will present *A Christmas Pageant* tonight in the Multi-Purpose Building.

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Greg and Margaret Sprow in honor of Susie Cook with thanksgiving for her service to the Lord and His church.*

**TO EVERYONE WHO VISITS WITH US THIS LORD'S DAY,** we welcome you sincerely and from the heart. Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ.

**JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE CHRIST'S INCARNATION TOGETHER:** Tonight is our Cherub Choir Pageant in the Multi-Purpose Building at 6:00 p.m. Next Sunday, December 19, will be our Lessons and Carols service during both morning worship services. Our Christmas Eve service will be at 4:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Building. Please make plans to join us and bring your unbelieving friends to hear the gospel of our incarnate Savior!

**SONBEAMS CHRISTMAS GIFT DELIVERY:** All ages are welcome to come deliver gifts this Tuesday from 5:30- 7:30. This is a wonderful time to celebrate the birth of Christ as we remember our special needs friends and families in their suffering. Whether you've done this many times or this is your first, we'd love to have you fellowship with us as we deliver. If you are able to help deliver or have questions, contact Daphne Clark at [dclark@ccs.ms](mailto:dclark@ccs.ms) or 594-3743.

**RUTH CIRCLE:** Ruth Circle will be meeting this Tuesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for our annual Christmas party at Maggie Ethridge's house. Her address is 701 Madeira Ct., Madison, MS, 39110. For more information, please email Amy at [amy@hatchettfamily.net](mailto:amy@hatchettfamily.net).

**COLLEGE MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY:** This Tuesday, December 14, is our annual Christmas party! We'll have food, hot chocolate, cider, and everything else necessary for a Christmas shindig. Please just bring yourselves (maybe a friend or two!) and a gift for White Elephant (\$10 limit). Grab that ugly Christmas sweater and come join us at the Brewer's House, 5212 Hialeah Dr., Jackson.

**YOUNG MARRIEDS FELLOWSHIP:** This Friday the Young Marrieds Fellowship Christmas Party will be from 6:30-8:30 at the home of Glen and Emily Ulrich, 125 Devereaux Dr., Madison. Whether this is your first time to attend or you have been several times, we hope you will join us for this evening of fellowship! Register online by visiting [pearorchard.org/youngmarrieds](http://pearorchard.org/youngmarrieds).

**ATTENTION MEN:** The holiday season brings a lot of joy for the family, but it also brings a lot of chaos. During this Christmas season, the men's ministry of Pear Orchard would like to encourage men to point your households to Christ. Please set time aside to pray or read Scripture with your family to ensure they know the hope of the gospel. Please reach out to the pastors or elders for ways in which you can lead in the home. May the Lord bless you as you seek to faithfully pass on the good news of Jesus.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON JANUARY 9, 2022:** At the Session meeting last month, the elders approved Dr. Mike Atkinson to stand for election by the congregation for the office of Elder. The congregational meeting to elect officers will be held during the Sunday School hour on January 9, 2022. The ordination/installation service of those elected will be on Sunday evening, January 23. More information about Mike will be coming soon.

**SHARE YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS WITH US:** To ask the congregation to pray for you or a loved one, please email Laura Herbison at [pray@pearorchard.org](mailto:pray@pearorchard.org).

**MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK**  
**JOHNNY AND BECKY LONG, SERGE**

Johnny serves as Serge's Cross-Cultural Renewal and Leadership Development Specialist. He and Becky have writing and teaching ministries in East and West Africa, Madagascar, the UK, Chile, Spain, and the Ivory Coast. They speak at conferences, and as missions conference motivational speakers. They ask that we pray for their Rwanda Discipleship Training Project: that the hold on that particular ministry will be lifted and the individual who is tasked with discipling 5 key leaders will be able to start. They also ask us to pray for both of them, and their co-laborers as they engage in a tedious process which requires hours of preparation and the identifying of translation textual "land mines."

**MEET PEAR ORCHARD'S NEWEST MEMBERS**

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