

DECEMBER 13, 2020

THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS HAS RISEN
WITH HEALING IN HIS WINGS!

The Prelude

Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella

arr. C. Uehlein

The Call to Worship

Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Hymn of Praise

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Angels from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth; ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth; *Come and worship, Come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Shepherd in the fields abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night, God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light: *Refrain*

Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear: *Refrain*

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son; evermore your voices raising to th'eternal Three in One: *Refrain*

Words by James Montgomery, Music by Henry Smart

The Invocation

Rev. Kalberkamp

The Scripture Reading

Malachi 3:1-6, 3:16-4:6

The Diaconate Report

Dr. Charlie Upton

The Offertory

Prepare the Way, O Zion

Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near! Let every hill and valley a level way appear. Greet one who comes in glory, foretold in sacred story. O blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name! Christ brings God's rule, O Zion, he comes from heaven above. His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth, and love. Lift high your praise resounding, for grace and joy abounding. O blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name. Fling wide your gates, O Zion! Your Savior's rule embrace, and tidings of salvation proclaim in every place. All lands will bow rejoicing, their adoration voicing. O blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name!

Words by Franz Franzen, adapted from Swedish by Charles Price, Swedish folk tune
arr. by Sondra Tucker. © 2000 Hope Publishing

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

The Carol

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heav'n's all-gracious King"; the world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled, and still their heav'nly music floats o'er all the weary world: above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hov'ring wing, and ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low, who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow, look now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing: O rest beside the weary road and hear the angels sing.

For lo, the days are hast'ning one, by prophet bards foretold, when with the ever-circling years comes round the age of gold; when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling, and the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing.

Words by Edmund Sears, Music by Richard Willis

The Intercessory Prayer

Ruling Elder Neil Barnes

The Scripture Reading

Luke 1:67-79

The Sermon

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

Caroling with Dr. Luke

*Zechariah's Song – God Has Kept His Word
and Light Has Come Into the Darkness*

The Hymn of Response

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.*

Words and music by Stephen Altrogge © 2006 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI 600485

The Benediction

Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude

Regent Square

arr. G. Martin

Please exit the sanctuary immediately after the service to fellowship outside.

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.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON JANUARY 10, 2021: At the Session meeting last month, the elders approved men to stand for election by the congregation. These men are recommended for the office of Deacon: Peter Boswell, Mark Brown, Clinton Carraway, Tony Franklin, Jeff Gamblin, Madison Taylor, Glen Ulrich, and John Wiggins. These men are recommended for the office of Elder: Bob Austin, James Clark, Ken Haynes, John Kwasny, Jonathan Werne and Tom Young. The congregational meeting to elect officers will be held during the Sunday School hour on January 10, 2021. The ordination/installation service of those elected will be on Sunday evening, January 24. More information about each of these men will be coming soon.

COME PRAY WITH US! We invite you to gather in the Parlor during the morning worship service you do not attend in order to pray for the worship services and the preaching of God's word.

IMPORTANT SAFETY UPDATE: This past summer, CCS generously paid to install ion generators in every HVAC unit in the Education Building (they also paid for the electrostatic sanitation “Ghostbusters” sprayers that you may have seen our Deacons use after worship services). An ion generator helps harmful particles fall quickly instead of hanging out in the air. These devices help with odors and even things like airborne pink eye, and are known to reduce particulate, allergens, bacteria, viruses, and mold spores. Edwin Lewis and his team have now installed ion generators in every HVAC unit on our campus: in the Sanctuary, the Parlor, the Nursery, and the Multi-Purpose Building. We hope that these ion generators will contribute even further to a safe and healthy environment for everyone on our campus.

**JOIN US FOR OUR UPCOMING SERVICES
CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF CHRIST:**

Cherub Choir Christmas Pageant - TONIGHT, 6:00 p.m., Multi-Purpose Building

Lessons and Carols - December 20, 8:30 and 11 a.m., Sanctuary and live stream in the Multi-Purpose Building

Christmas Eve Service - December 24, 4:30 p.m., Sanctuary and live stream in the Multi-Purpose Building

DO YOU RECEIVE OUR WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATE? Each week we send out an email with important congregational information and some thoughts from Pastor Caleb. If you would like to receive this email, please let Liz Taylor know at ltaylor@pearorchard.org.

REOPENING POPC: We are currently utilizing 50% of the seating capacity in our Sanctuary and Gym, and taking measures to gather safely in light of COVID. Please keep at least three seats between families and be considerate and respectful of your neighbor's choice of greetings, so that as each one assesses the risk of gathering together, we might serve one another in love. Masks are required at the 8:30 a.m. worship services in the Sanctuary and Gym, the 11:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary, and the 6:00 p.m. service in the Sanctuary, and are optional at the 11:00 a.m. worship services in the Gym.

CCS AND THE CHILDREN'S PROMISE ACT: New legislation (the Children's Promise Act) has been enacted allowing Mississippi residents and businesses the ability to receive a tax credit for voluntary cash contributions to an approved nonprofit entity. CCS is now approved to receive contributions through the Children's Promise Act. Please contact your CPA if you would like to participate or visit www.ccs.ms/childrens-promise-act for more information.

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY: The POPC church directory is accessible online to communing and associate members through the free ShelbyNext Membership app. To sign on to the app once you have downloaded it from your appstore, enter your first and last name separated by a “.” [ex John.Smith]. Skip the password entry and type “pearorchard” for the domain. Next, click on Forgot password? and an email will be sent to you with a new password. Once you log in, if you see that any of your family information or pictures are incorrect or missing, please update it on the app. Please email rick@pearorchard.org if you have any questions or if you would like a copy of the Members User Guide, which provides many useful tips and explains the program features.

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REV. CALEB G. CANGELOSI ~ SENIOR PASTOR

REV. CARL H. KALBERKAMP, JR. ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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NATIONAL MISSIONS

Clint Wilcke - Mid-South Church Planting Network
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Reformed University Fellowship @ University of Southern Mississippi, Mississippi State University, Ole Miss,
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Belhaven University Presbyterian Scholarship
John Perritt - RYM

Ocean Springs, MS, Church Plant
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LOCAL MISSIONS

Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Center for Pregnancy Choices
French Camp Academy
American Heritage Girls
Child Evangelism Fellowship
Friends of Alcoholics
Sons of the King
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Lifeline Children's Services
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Cheryl Reese - Mission First
Chase Maxey - Biblical Counseling and Training Ministry
Mission First/Neighborhood Christian Center
African American Leadership Initiative

Gateway Rescue Mission
Lantern Medical Clinic
Palmer Home for Children
Trail Life
POPC Moses' Basket
One Story Ministries
Operation Christmas Child
Joni & Friends (JAF)

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Covenant College (PCA) - Lookout Mountain, GA
Ridge Haven Conference Center - Rosman, NC
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Covenant Seminary (PCA) - St. Louis, MO
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PEAR ORCHARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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