

THE LORD’S DAY  
December 16, 2018

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Matthew* 1:20-23

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMN: **Trinity 214** - *Angels We Have Heard on High*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beg You, to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Romans* 4:7-8

\**GLORIA PATRI* - **Trinity 735**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Westminster Confession of Faith*, Ch. 1 Sec. 6

The whole counsel of God, concerning all things necessary for his own glory, man’s salvation, faith, and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture, or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture; unto which nothing at any time is to be added, whether by new revelations of the spirit, or traditions of men. Nevertheless, we acknowledge the inward illumination of the Spirit of God to be necessary for the saving understanding of such things as are revealed in the Word; and that there are some circumstances concerning the worship of God, and government of the Church, common to human actions and societies, which are to be ordered by the light of nature and Christian prudence, according to the general rules of the Word, which are always to be observed.

ADVENT READING AND CANDLE LIGHTING (Joy): *Isaiah* 35:1-10 (Insert)

ANTHEM: *Jesus, What a Beautiful Name*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*PSALTER: **Bible Songs 303** - *The Excellency of God*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: *Matthew* 2:1-12 (p. 807; LP p. 960)

SERMON: “The Adoration of Jesus”

\*HYMN: **Trinity 211** - *God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\**DOXOLOGY* - **Trinity 731**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *Threefold Amen* - **Trinity 740**

POSTLUDE

\*Please stand, if able

*Greetings! Our church family extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to get to know you by completing a **guest card** in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate. Pastor Seth will greet you in the Main St. vestibule following the service.*

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Flowers	Poinsettias	
Nursery	Merri Avery, Wren Winters	
Ushers	George Farris, Jean Williamson, Herb Seigler, David Jennings	