

Second Baptist Church, Suffield

January 3, 2021

The Second Sunday in Christmastide

Communion Sunday

Prelude

“Joy to the World”

Lisa Walters, Handbell Tree

Welcome

Singing Christmas Carols

“As with Gladness”

As with gladness sages bold, did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward beaming bright;
So, true Morning Star, may we ever more your splendor see

As with joyful steps they sped, to that lowly manger bed,
There to bend the knee before One whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet ever seek your mercy seat.

“The Huron Carol”

‘Twas in the moon of wintertime, when all the birds had fled,
That mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead,
Before their light the stars grew dim and wandering hunters heard the hymn:
Peace on earth, Christ is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

O children of the forest free, the angel song is true,
The Holy Child of earth and heaven is born this day for you.
Come kneel before the radiant boy who brings you beauty, peace, and joy.
Peace on earth, Christ is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

Call to Worship

Surely, you have heard that God’s grace abounds;
Through the Child in Bethlehem, we have heard the Good News!
God’s grace and love is for all peoples of the Earth;
The Child in Bethlehem has shown us the way!
We have become members of the same body, sharers in the promise;
The promise in Jesus Christ shared through the Gospel.
May the Church widely impart this wisdom from God;
May we live out our faith in God with boldness and confidence!

Hymn

“We Three Kings”

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain,
Moor and mountain, following yonder star – Oh—
Star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Glorious now, behold him arise, Christ and God and sacrifice: Alleluia,
Alleluia, sound through the earth and skies – oh –
Star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

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.

First Reading

Isaiah 60-1-6

Jean Rinaldi

Anthem

“Amen! Go Tell It On the Mountain”

Sanctuary Choir

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A Time for Children

Sue Schneller

A Time of Prayer

Second Reading

Matthew 2: 1-12

Reflection

Going Another Way The Rev. Dr. Rachael Lawrence

The Lord’s Supper

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Song

**“Blest Be the Tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Amen.”**

Pastoral Blessing

Postlude

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

Jean-Aldrich Jones, organist; Smith; TUNE: IN DULCI JUBILO