

CHRIST IS BORN

For
unto us
a
child
is born...

FULL SERVICE

December 25, 2022

9:00 A.M In Person a &

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on WLBK 1360 Radio

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9:00 A.M. Service

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Theme for Worship: This morning as we celebrate the birth of Jesus we will immerse our selves in the music of Christmas. Through out the years the songs that so identify the season also tell the story and meaning of Jesus' incarnational love!

Pre-Service Music 🎵

Welcome

🎵 "Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising"

--LSB #375, (vs. 1,2,5 & 6)

- 1 Come, your hearts and voices raising,
Christ the Lord with gladness praising;
Loudly sing His love amazing,
Worthy folk of Christendom.
- 2 Christ, from heav'n to us descending
And in love our race befriending;
In our need His help extending,
Saved us from the wily foe.
- 5 Oh, the joy beyond expressing
When by faith we grasp this blessing,
And to You we come confessing
That Your love has set us free.
- 6 Gracious Child, we pray, O hear us,
From Your lowly manger cheer us,
Gently lead us and be near us
Till we join Your choir above.

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The Invocation and Confession and Absolution

--LSB 151

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

C Amen.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

♪ “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

--LSB #366 (vs. 1 & 3)

1 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, goodwill to all,
From heav’n’s all-gracious king.”
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

3 All you, beneath your heavy load,
By care and guilt bent low,
Who toil along a dreary way
With painful steps and slow:
Look up, for golden is the hour,
Come swiftly on the wing,
The Prince was born to bring you
peace; Of Him the angels sing.

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Service of the Word

The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 52:7–10

⁷How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.” ⁸The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion. ⁹Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Hebrews 1:1–6

¹Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ⁵For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”? Or again, “I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son”? ⁶And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

♪ “Were You There on That Christmas Night?”

C-J Motisi

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 1:18-25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.** (*Speak instead of sing.*)

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us). ²⁴When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to You, O Christ..(Speak instead of sing.)

♪ “A Great and Mighty Wonder”

--LSB #383 (vs. 1,2 & 3)

- 1 A great and mighty wonder,
A full and holy cure:
The virgin bears the infant
With virgin honor pure!
- 2 The Word becomes incarnate
And yet remains on high,
And cherubim sing anthems
To shepherds from the sky.
- 3 While thus they sing your Monarch,
Those bright angelic bands,
Rejoice, O vales and mountains,
And oceans, clap your hands.

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Sermon: “The Music of Christmas ”

Rev. Marty Marks

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

♪ “Once in Royal David’s City”

--LSB #376 (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

- 1 Once in royal David’s city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

**2 He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall;
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Savior holy.**

**4 And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heav'n above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.**

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The Offering

(An offering plate is available in the narthex; pates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel is excited that we now have the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com. If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)

Prayers of the Church

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with "Lord in your mercy" to which the congregation responds with "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Service of the Sacrament

(The Lord's Supper is celebrated in this service in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If you share this confession, we invite you to commune with us. If you have doubts or questions concerning this confession of our faith community, we ask that you withhold participation until receiving clarification or instruction from our pastor. The pastor will also offer a blessing to any unconfirmed children who desire it. Special instruction about how to partake in the supper will be explained during the service in response to Covid-19 precautions.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

--LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament.

Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

♪ "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

1 Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!" *Refrain*

ref Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

♪ "What Child Is This"

1 What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems
Sweet While shepherds watch are
Keeping? This, this is Christ the king,
Whom shepherds guard and angels
sing; Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary!

--LSB #380

2 Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel! *Refrain*

3 Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth. *Refrain*

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--LSB #370

2 Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
The babe, the son of Mary!

- 3 So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
The virgin sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
The babe, the son of Mary!**

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♪ “Where Shepherds Lately Knelt”

- 1 Where shepherds lately knelt and kept
the angel’s word, I come in
half-belief, a pilgrim strangely stirred;
But there is room and welcome there
for me, But there is room and
welcome there for me.**

Benediction

Silent Prayer

♪ “Joy to the World”

- 1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev’ry heart prepare Him room
And heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n, and heav’n and nature
sing.**
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills,
and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

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Postlude

--LSB #369 (vs. 1 & 4)

- 4 Can I, will I forget how Love was born,
and burned Its way into my heart—
unasked, unforced, unearned,
To die, to live, and not alone for me,
To die, to live, and not alone for me?**

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--LSB #387

- 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.**
- 4 He rules the world with truth and
grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.**

Today's Participants- December 25, 2022	
Alter Guild: Carolyn McQuillan	
9:00 A.M.	
Musicians	Linda Conrad; <i>Organist</i> & C-J Motisi; <i>Pianist</i> , <i>Vocalist</i>
Pastor	Rev. Marty Marks
Acolyte	Haley Banks
Radio Narrator	---
Lay Reader	Tom Sawyer
Slides	Doug Nelson
Videographer/Sound	Mark Misic
Communion Assist.	Ken Boldt & Dan Lohmeier
Ushers	Ken Boldt, Donna Boldt & Alexis Cruz

Poinsettias Adorn our Altar today in celebration of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!
Poinsettias have been donated by the following: Norm & Marion Gilbert Rita Goodwin
Diane Griffith Carolyn McQuillan Linda Sons Hayes, Laura & Beckett Tiggelaar
Rob & Tammy Tiggelaar Russ & Shannon Coulombe

In loving memory of:

- “Our parents,” by Dennis & Jane Schroeder;
- “Dave Wiehle,” by Genese Wiehle;
- “My parents, Ray & Lorrain Oldham,” by Gail Cantrell;
- “My husband, Bob,” by Ursula Sarver
- “Amy Walker & Jim Milliorn,” by Chris & Audrey Cook;
- “Bub & Wilma Meyer, Jeff Scoughton (son) & Dick Meyer (brother)” by Jean Scoughton.

Poinsettias can be picked up beginning Sunday, December 25 after the worship service. Anytime during office hours (8:30 – 12 Noon) December 27 – 29. If you would like yours delivered to you, please contact the office. If you know of a shut-in who would like one, or if you are willing to help deliver (to the front porch – no personal contact) to shut-ins, please contact the office.

Flower Sponsorship: “In honor of Hunter Tiggelaar’s 25th birthday,” by his family.

Radio Broadcast: “To the glory of God for His many blessings in 2022,” by the Tiggelaar family.

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