



Service for Worship
December 29, 2024 ~ 11:00 am
First Sunday of Christmas

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Chimes of the Trinity

Greeting (Announcements, info)

Gathering Music

“Nightlight”

Doug Becken

Call to Worship

Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

Speak to us of Your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice.

Open our hearts to the ways in which You would have us go.

Guide our steps in the new year.

So that all we may do and be will bring glory to Your name.

Opening Prayer

****Opening Hymn of Praise** “Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

Vs. 1-4

No. 143

REGENT SQUARE

Confession of Sin

Almighty and merciful God,

we know that when we offend another, we offend You.

We are aware that we have often allowed the shadow of hate to cloud our souls, hiding the light from our unseeing eyes.

We have said unpleasant and hurtful things to our siblings in Christ when they failed to live up to our expectations.

Grant that we might find that spark of love that ever burns within us, the love that You have shown to us even when we failed You.

May the sparks of faith within us break forth as we love one another unconditionally, forgive ourselves and others and seek the reconciliation of the world in which we live.

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

****Peace Response**

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

No. 132

Vs. 1

IN DULCI JUBILO

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today; ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now. Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**Welcome the Children****Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28:16-20

The Word of God for the People of God; **thanks be to God.****Hymn**

“Still, Still, Still

No. 124

STILL, STILL, STILL

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 29:10-14

Message

“The Twelve Days of Christmas”

Pastor Carrie

(See insert for words)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD**Offering of our Gifts to God******Offering Response**

“What Child is This”

No. 145

Vs. 3

GREENSLEEVES

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh; come one and all, 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!

Prayer of Dedication**Pastoral Prayer 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

****Hymn for Sending**

“As with Gladness Men of Old”

No. 150

DIX

Benediction****Sending Response**

“Go Tell It On The Mountain”

No. 136

GO TELL IT

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born! Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Postlude****Please rise in body or Spirit.**

Rev. Carrie Evans, Pastor;
Kathleen Vigil, Music Director; Florence Aquilina, Pianist;
Doug Becken, Bob Prunty and Chancel Choir, Musicians;
McKenna Kriner and Jacksyn, Acolytes;
Renee Dooley, Chimes and Baptismal Water;
Julia Hill and Hillary Kriner, Nursery; Rachel & Jerry Hahn, Greeters;
Rita Wissinger and Sue Kleine, Ushers;
RuthAnn Ferraro, Children's Message;
Leslie Friedrich, Deacon of the Month
Bob Blaber, Elder of the Month

Welcome Home! We are so grateful that you have joined us for worship. If you are a guest or visitor, we are delighted to welcome you. So that we can connect with you, please fill out one of the Welcome Cards in the pew racks and place it in the offering box in the narthex. Please take a welcome bag so you can learn more about SPC and feel free to reach out to our pastor with questions!



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