

# DIVINE WORSHIP

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## Morning Service

December 22, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### God Calls Us into His Presence

#### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-3

**Minister:** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

**All:** for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

#### \*Votum and Salutation

#### \*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Our Father which 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.

#### \*Hymn No. 318

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

### God Cleanses Us from Sin

#### Reading of the Law

Matthew 22:35-40

#### Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have demonstrated the bounty of your grace in the incarnation of your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who took on flesh, lived a life of service under the Law, and suffered death and burial in the tomb. You have revealed your glory, power, and compassion by raising Him from the dead, so that we too might have eternal life in Him. We deserve judgment and death, yet through Him we have found life and immortality. Send forth your Holy Spirit to renew our faith, hope, and love, that we, as recipients of your mercy in Christ Jesus, may evermore live with you in the eternal fellowship of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

1 Timothy 1:15

#### \*Hymn No. 298

*Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*

**God Consecrates Us to His Service**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** Pg. 853-854

The Athanasian Creed 30-43

**Presentation of Communing Member**

Laurel Stout

**Baptisms**

Katerina Elizabeth Martin and Jesse Isaiah Martin  
Covenant Children of Daniel and Jasmin Martin

Christian Benediction Townsend  
Covenant Child of Jeramiah and Chandra Townsend

**\*Gloria Patri** No. 572

**Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Illumination**

**\*Sermon Text** Pg. 1009 & 1004

Hebrews 12:24 & 7:22

**Sermon**

Dr. Steven G. Simmons

Christ Came as a Mediator—Full of Grace and Truth

**God Communes with Us and Puts His Blessing Upon Us**

**\*Hymn** No. 292

*Let All Mortal Flesh Make Silence*

**The Lord's Supper\*\***

**\*Hymn** No. 269

*The People That in Darkness Sat*

**\*Benediction**

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

**\*Doxology** No. 567

**\*Postlude**

*\*Please stand*

*\*\*The clear cups are wine, the tinted cups are grape juice*

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## Evening Service

December 22, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

#### \*Call to Worship

Isaiah 2:2-3, 5

**Minister:** It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say:

**All:** "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

#### \*Votum and Salutation

#### \*Invocation

#### \*Hymn No. 300

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Catechesis Pg. 924

Westminster Confession of Faith 8.1-3

Old Testament Reading Pg. 602

Isaiah 42:1-16

New Testament Reading Pg. 1021

1 John 1

#### \*Hymn No. 294

*Song of Zechariah*

### Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Illumination

#### \*Sermon Text Pg. 886

John 1:1, 4

#### Sermon

Dr. Steven G. Simmons

In the Fullness of Time Christ Came

#### \*Hymn No. 296

*How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!*

#### \*Benediction

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

#### \*Postlude

*\*Please stand*

# SERMON NOTES

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## **Morning Sermon: Christ Came as a Mediator-Full of Grace and Truth—Hebrews 12:24 & 7:22**

- I. Christ was Chosen and Ordained to be our Mediator.
- II. Christ was Thoroughly Furnished to Execute the Office of Mediator.
- III. Christ is the Head and Savior of His Church and Heir of All Things.
- IV. Christ, fully God and Fully Man was anointed with the Holy Spirit above Measure.

## **Evening Sermon: In the Fullness of Time Christ Came—John 1:1, 4**

- I. Christ the Son of God being of One Substance with the Father.
- II. Christ the Son of Man having all of Man kinds essential properties and common infirmities, yet without Sin.
- III. Christ the Only Mediator Between God and Man.