



Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 27, 2020 11:00 AM

CHRISTMAS I



Gathering

God calls us together to offer praise, acknowledge sin,
and celebrate our adoption as forgiven children.

Prelude	In the Bleak Midwinter	Allen Orton Gibbs
Lesson I	The Call	John 1 : 1–5
Hymn	Of the Father’s Love Begotten	Red Hymnal 108
Lesson II	Confession	Isaiah 53 : 1–7

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Words of Welcome

Time with Children	Simeon and Anna Meet the Messiah	Luke 2 : 22–40
Solo	An Old Carol	Music: Rodger Quilter text: Anonymous 15th Cent.



Proclaiming the Word

We encounter the Word in speech and song
as we interpret and expound scripture.

Lesson III	Illumination	Proverbs 8 : 1–2, 10–11, 22–32
Scripture Lesson	Psalm 8	NRSV

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have established;
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than Gods,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

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how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Homily

The Creator Child

Mark Edwards



Thanksgiving

We respond by presenting our offerings, setting the table,
lifting prayers, and praising the triune God.

Sermon Hymn

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Red Hymnal 136

Lesson IV

Affirmation & Offering

Genesis 1 : 1–5, 26–27

Offertory

Joy to the World

arr. Edwards Family

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer



Sending

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with
God's blessing to lives of service and love.

Lesson V

Benediction

John 1 : 10–14, 16–18

Postlude

God Rest You Merry

Alfred Fedak

Preacher
Mark Edwards

Liturgists
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Time with Children
Corrie Berg

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Tending the Flock

Death—Bruce Alan Berg, father of Shane Berg, father-in-law of Corrie, grandfather of Anders, Mathias, and Soren, on December 16, 2020 in Buffalo, New York

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