



Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 26, 2021 10:00 AM



Solo

The Virgin's Slumber Song

Max Reger

Call to Worship

Christ is born!

Alleluia!

Jesus is among us!

Alleluia!

Shout with joy, give thanks, and sing!

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Carol

Once in Royal David's City

Red Hymnal 140

Prayer of Confession

**God of grace and truth,
in Jesus Christ you came among us
as light shining in darkness.**

**We confess that we have not welcomed the light,
or trusted good news to be good.**

**We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,
expecting little, and hoping for less.**

**Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,
so that we may receive the fullness of your grace,
and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 3:6-7

God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior,

so that, having been justified by his grace,
we might have the hope of eternal life.

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Solo The Birthday of a King W.H. Neidlinger

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

Carol O Little Town of Bethlehem Red Hymnal 121

Lesson Isaiah 11 : 1–9 NRSV

Solo A Christmas Carol music Norman Dello Joio
text G.K. Chesterton

Lesson Luke 2 : 8–20 NRSV

Carol Go, Tell It on the Mountain Red Hymnal 136



Thanksgiving

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

Affirmation of Faith John 1 : 1–18 NRSV

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word
was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being
through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come
into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light
shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Offertory Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child African-American Spiritual
arr. Mark Hayes

Doxology Of the Father's Love Begotten Red Hymnal 108
Verse 6

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Sending

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

Carol On This Day, Earth Shall Ring Red Hymnal 141

Benediction

Postlude God Rest Ye Merry Wilbur Held

Liturgists

David A. Davis

Cathy Cook Davis

Time with Children

Carol Wehrheim

Musicians

Marissa Chalker,

Kelsey Hendler,

Elem Eley,

and Steve Updegraff, soloists

Noel Werner, organist

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