



ALL  
SAINTS  
CHURCH

*The First Sunday of Christmas*  
**December 28, 2025**  
Anno Mundi 5955

# CALL TO WORSHIP & PROCESSIONAL

†The congregation standing

Prelude: *Medieval Gloria*, Vijah Singh

Adult and Junior Choir  
Arwen Hume, soloist, Will Warner, percussion

Procession + Psalm of the Day, back cover

## Call to Worship

Minister: Arise now and ascend to the heavenly city in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!

Congregation: Amen!

## †Processional Hymn - *Joy to the World*

### Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come. Let earth re - ceive her  
2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns. Let men their songs em -  
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in - fest the  
4. He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions

King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him room, And  
ploy While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Re -  
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow Far  
prove The glo - ries of His right - eous - ness And

13. heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

And heav'n and na - ture sing, And

16. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
joy, Re - peat, and re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

Minister: The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

Congregation: And also with you!

Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light! For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts,

Congregation: To give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

## CONFESSION: SIN OFFERING + ABSOLUTION

*The congregation is invited to kneel.*

Unison: Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Silent confession.*

Minister: The true light, which gives light to everyone, has come into the world and to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. Therefore, as a minister of the Gospel, I declare that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Congregation: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen.

Minister: Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Congregation: For behold, darkness will cover the earth, and deep darkness the peoples; but the LORD will rise upon you.

†Ascension Hymn - *Angels We Have Heard On High*

### Angels We Have Heard on High

1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,  
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?  
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;  
4. See Him in a man - ger laid, Whom the choirs of an - gels praise;

And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?  
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.  
Mar - y, Jo - seph, lend your aid While our hearts in love we raise.

\* Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

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\* This Latin phrase means Glory to God in the highest!

### † Collect for the First Sunday of Christmas

Unison: Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## CONSECRATION: SCRIPTURE & TEACHING

The Lesson - Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The First Psalm - Psalm 147: O, Sing Ye Hallelujah, vv. 1-3, turn page

Congregation: Amen! (following the Psalm)

## Oh, Sing Ye Hallelujah!

From Psalm 147

1. Oh, sing ye Hal - le - lu - jah! 'Tis good our God to praise;  
 2. The star - ry host He num - bers, He calls them all by name;  
 3. The heav'ns with clouds He cov - ers, He sends the cheer - ing rain;  
 4. No hu - man pow'r de - lights Him, No earth - ly pomp or pride;  
 5. He sends His swift com - mand - ment, And snow and ice en - fold;  
 6. His stat - utes and His judg - ments He makes His peo - ple know;



<sup>4</sup>'Tis pleas - ant and be - com - ing To Him our songs to raise;  
<sup>5</sup>His great - ness and His wis - dom His won - drous works pro - claim;  
<sup>8</sup>The slopes of all the moun - tains He fills with grass and grain;  
<sup>11</sup>He loves the meek who fear Him And in His love con - fide;  
<sup>14</sup>The world, and none are a - ble To stand be - fore His cold.  
<sup>17</sup>To them as to no oth - ers His grace He loves to show;  
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<sup>8</sup>He builds the walls of Zi - on, He seeks her wan - d'ring sons,  
<sup>11</sup>The meek He lifts to hon - or, He hum - bles sin - ful pride;  
<sup>14</sup>To beast and bird His good - ness Their dai - ly food sup - plies;  
<sup>17</sup>Then praise thy God, O Zi - on, His gra - cious aid con - fess;  
<sup>20</sup>A - gain He gives com - mand - ment; The winds of sum - mer blow,  
<sup>23</sup>For match - less grace and mer - cy Your grate - ful prais - es bring;  
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<sup>12</sup>He binds their wounds and com - forts The bro - ken - heart - ed ones.  
<sup>15</sup>Give thanks to Him and ut - ter His prais - es far and wide.  
<sup>18</sup>He cares for all His crea - tures, At - ten - tive to their cries.  
<sup>21</sup>He gives thee peace and plen - ty, His gifts thy chil - dren bless.  
<sup>24</sup>The snow and ice are melt - ed, A - gain the wa - ters flow.  
<sup>27</sup>To Him give thanks for - ev - er, And Hal - le - lu - jah sing.  
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Music: Gregory D. Wilbur, 2007 ©  
 Text: *The Psalter*, 1912

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### The Epistle - Galatians 3:23-25, 4:4-7

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

### The Second Psalm - Psalm 147: O Sing, Ye Hallelujah, vv. 4-6, turn page

Congregation: Amen! (following the Psalm)

### The Gospel - John 1:1-18

Reader: The Gospel of Christ!

Congregation: Praise be to You, O Christ!

### † The Creed (The Nicene Creed)

Unison: We 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 the 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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father: and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets: and we believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church: we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins: and we look for the resurrection of the dead: and the life of the world to come. Amen.

†*Gloria Patri* - Sung, lifting holy hands (Psalm 63:4).

Cantus Christi, p. 436

Sermon

Reverend Kasey Horvath

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy...**Congregation: Hear our prayers.**

†*The Lord's Prayer* - Sung, lifting holy hands (I Tim. 2:8)

Minister: Our father....**Congregation: Who art in heaven...**

Tribute Offering - *Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce.* Proverbs 3:9

*All My Heart This Night Rejoices*, from Luke 2:11

ASC Choir

Tune: Paul Gerhardt, 1656

Hymn: Johann G. Ebeling, 1666

*All my heart this night rejoices, as I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices;  
"Christ is born," their choirs are singing, Till the air, everywhere, now with joy is ringing.  
Hark! A voice from yonder manger, Soft and sweet, doth entreat, "Flee from woe and danger;  
Brethren, come; from all that grieves you You are freed; all you need I will surely give you."  
Come, then, let us hasten yonder; Here let all, great and small, kneel in awe and wonder,  
Love Him Who with love is yearning; Hail the star that from far bright with hope is burning.*

## COMMUNION: THE PEACE OFFERING & EUCHARIST

The Sursum Corda

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**Congregation: It is good and right so to do.**

Minister: It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising thee, and singing (Sanctus)

### Sanctus

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord!  
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Wor-shipped and a - dored.  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Wor-shipped and a - dored.

He with - out be - gin - ning, Age - less and the same,  
Lord of hosts, the glo - ry From Thy throne out - poured

Is and ev - er shall be; Glo - ry to His name.  
Fills the earth and heav - ens; Ho - ly is the Lord!

Music: Franz Schubert, *Deutsche Messe*, 1827; adapted Richard Proulx, 1985  
Text: Traditional

**The Sign of Peace** - *The peace of Christ to you.*

**The Bread and the Wine** - *All baptized Christians are welcome to the Table. Gluten free bread is available.*

**Eucharist Hymns** (following pages)

## He Will Rejoice over You with Singing

Zephaniah 3:17

4-part canon

He will re - joice o-ver you with sing - ing, He will re - joice o-ver you with His song!

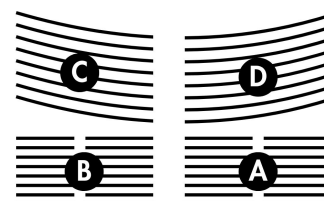
The LORD your God is in your midst; The Might - y One will save; He will re -

joice o-ver you with glad ness, He will qui-et you with His love,

He will re - joice, He will re - joice, He will re - joice with shouts of joy!

### He Will Rejoice Instructions:

First time, all sing unison. Next, we will sing a four part round, divided by section of the church (see diagram below). Section A begins when A reaches the star at measure 8 (\*). Section B begins when A reaches measure 17, and B reaches 8, and so on. Sing your part in the round two times, then the last line until all groups are finished.



Music: David R. Erb, 2008 ©  
Text: *Holy Bible, King James Version*, 1611; alt.

## Angels from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
 2. Shep-herds in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,  
 3. *Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;*  
 4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch-ing long in hope and fear,  
 5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;

Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, Now pro-claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
 God with man is now re - sid - ing, Yon - der shines the in - fant Light:  
*Seek the great De - sire of na - tions; Ye have seen His na - tal star:*  
 Sud - den - ly the Lord, de-scend - ing, In His tem - ple shall ap - pear:  
 Ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing To th'e - ter - nal Three in One:

Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, Wor-ship Christ, the new - born King.

## What Child Is This



1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest On Mar - y's lap, is sleep - ing?  
 2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are feed - ing?  
 3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to own Him.

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
 Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
 The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

This, this is Christ the King Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
 Nails, spear shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you.  
 Raise, raise a song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by.



13

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!  
 Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!  
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Mar - y!

Music: English traditional melody, c. 1500s

Text: English carol, before 1642; adapted William Chatterton Dix, c. 1865

GREENSLEEVES

8 7. 8 7. 6 8. 6 7.

## Good Christian Men, Rejoice

1. Good Christ - ian men, re - joice With heart and soul and voice;  
 2. Good Christ - ian men, re - joice With heart and soul and voice;  
 3. Good Christ - ian men, re - joice With heart and soul and voice;

5

Give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day!  
 Now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!  
 Now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

Earth and heav'n be - fore Him bow And He is in the man - ger now.  
 He hath o - pened Heav-en's door And man is blest for - ev - er - more.  
 Calls you one and calls you all To gain His ev - er - last - ing hall.

13

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!  
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!  
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Music: German melody, c. 1300s; harm. Michael Praetorius, 1607; alt.

Text: Latin carol, c. 1300s; tr. John Mason Neale, 1853

IN DULCI JUBILO

6 6. 7 7. 7 8. 5 5.

## COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen and reigning Lord Jesus Christ.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

† Hymn - *Hallelujah Chorus* (from *Messiah*, G.F. Handel, 1741)

ASC Choir + Congregation

### Hallelujah Chorus

CONGREGATION PART

Revelation 19:6; 11:15; 19:16

MESSIAH

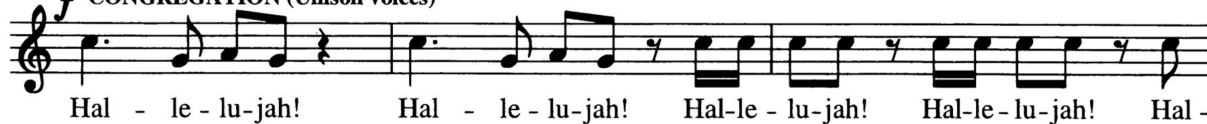
George Frideric Handel (1685–1750)

Setting by HAL H. HOPSON

#### Introduction



#### CONGREGATION (Unison voices)



**B** **12** **C** **7** **D** **10**

For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah.      The Kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;      and He shall reign for ever and ever.

**E** *mf*

King of Kings, \_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of Lords, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ King of Kings, \_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of Lords, \_\_\_\_\_

*f* **F**

\_\_\_\_\_ King of Kings, \_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of Lords, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and Lord \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Lords, **11**

and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah,

**G** *f*

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, King of Kings, and Lord of

Lords, and He shall reign for ev - er and ev -

er. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le -

*ff*

lu-jah, Hal-le - lu-jah, Hal-le - lu-jah, Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hallelujah Chorus

# Events

## PAGE + VINE BOOK CLUB

December 29, 6:30 pm

## SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

January 4, 9:30 am

## EPIPHANY FEAST

January 6, 6:00 pm. Watch for  
sign-up details this week via  
email!

## COMMUNITY MEAL

January 7, 5:30 pm

## TEEN GATHERINGS

January 11 - after church  
January 31 - 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

## MEN'S THEOLOGY FORUM

January 12, 7:00 pm at Miller Hall

## LADIES' CHARCUTERIE NIGHT

January 16, 6:00 pm

## LADIES' NOURISH NIGHT

January 29, 6:30 pm

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the All Saints Church app or online:*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Visiting?** Welcome! Use this QR code to check in so we can follow up with you.



**Children:** We firmly believe that children belong in the worship service, as Jesus himself said "to such belong the Kingdom"! While we strive for reverence and order in our worship, we understand that children may occasionally disrupt the service. In such cases, it's important for parents to take appropriate steps to restore order, whether by attending to their child's needs, discreetly stepping out of the sanctuary to discipline, or seeking respite in the nursery. Love your children by bringing them to the Pulpit and Table, and instruct them in the fear of the Lord by teaching them to worship God with reverence and awe. If you are struggling to do this, we encourage you to seek wisdom from your brothers and sisters in Christ. **There is a TV setup in the chapel live-streaming the service for families that may need it: nursing mothers or brief behavioral interruptions.**

**Tithe + Offering:** Please use the box at the back of the sanctuary for gifts.

**Cover Art:** *The Lord is My Light*, Mike Moyers, based on today's gospel reading.

## PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 147:13-20

13

For he strengthens the bars of your gates;  
he blesses your children within you.

14

He makes peace in your borders;  
he fills you with the finest of the wheat.

15

He sends out his command to the earth;  
his word runs swiftly.

16

He gives snow like wool;  
he scatters frost like ashes.

17

He hurls down his crystals of ice like  
crumbs;  
who can stand before his cold?

18

He sends out his word, and melts them;  
he makes his wind blow and the waters  
flow.

19

He declares his word to Jacob,  
his statutes and rules to Israel.

20

He has not dealt thus with any other  
nation;  
they do not know his rules.  
Praise the Lord!

All Saints Church is a Reformational and Covenantal Congregation in the Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches (CREC), founded in 1999. Our vision is to grow in love and to reach out in love because we worship the loving God of the Bible - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We gather to renew our relationship with Him and one another in the Biblical pattern of historic Christian liturgy. In this we affirm God's promises to us and our children and are commissioned to live Christ-centered lives in the world.