

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
Rev. Russell Cobb **Pastor**
Mrs. Beth Dampf **Organist**

December 26, 2021 ~ First Sunday after Christmas

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Lena Bieri Hunter Hall

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

Praise the Lord! Praise God in the heavens.

Praise the Lord from the earth!

Young and old alike,

men and women together. Praise the Lord!

*Hymn No. 125 “Angels from the Realms of Glory”

Prayer of the Day

**We celebrate with joy the anniversary of your son’s birth,
and we anticipate with joy your presence in worship today.
Come, Holy Spirit! Lift our hearts and our voices to praise
and to thanksgiving! Amen.**

*Call to Praise

O Lord, open our lips!

And our mouths shall show forth your praise!

*Act of Praise – “Gloria Patri”

Invitation to Children’s Time

Hymn for Children “Jesus Loves Me”

Children’s Time

Kendra Hall

Special Music

Gabby & Isabelle Rohrbach

Prayer for Illumination

Kathy Grant

By the breath of your Spirit inspire us, that in the hearing of your Word we may be filled with new understanding and fresh desire to please you in all we do, for the sake of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Matthew 1:1-11 p. 835

Second Lesson: Luke 2:13-20 p. 889

Sermon **Favorite Symbol of Christmas: The Nativity**
Matthew 2 & Luke 2

Hymn No. 132 “Away in a Manger”

Christians, what do you believe?

(Apostles’ Creed) **I believe in God the Father, Almighty...**

Prayer of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Invitation to the Offering

*Response “*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*”

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn No. 110 “Go Tell It on the Mountain”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response



*Postlude

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The attendant on duty is Taylor Ratcliff. The volunteer helper is Sue Tuttle. There are activity bags at the back of the sanctuary for children that stay in the worship service.

Need some help with hearing? See an usher at the back of the sanctuary to check out a hearing assisted unit for your personal use in the sanctuary and in the Friendship Hall. We have new units available.

Notice the “Connection Cards” in the pews. They are for our guests or anyone that has a prayer request or needs more information about the church. Please place it in the offering plate.

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Memory Tree

*An additional ornament has been placed in memory of
Rashelle Zuidervaart by the Reed & Zuidervaart families.*



**Annual Reports for Committees & Organizations are
due in the Church Office by December 30, 2021.
Financial reports are due January 7, 2022. Thank you!**



ROCK SOLID FINANCES

This class will provide sound financial strategies based on the truth of God's Word. We will cover topics on budgeting, debt management and managing money God's way by applying biblical principles.

**This workshop will start at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings,
January 12, 2022 through February 9, 2022 & last
between 45 minutes to no more than an hour.**

Offering Envelope Boxes

Offering envelope boxes are available to be picked up at the back of the Sanctuary. If there is not a box with your name on it & you would like to have a box, please notify the Church Office. Thank you!

Project Share & the Food Pantry Need Volunteers

The Food pantry needs volunteers on the first Wednesday of each month for pre-packing dry goods that each family receives. Please stop by the Food Pantry and ask for Bill Hess if interested.

Project Share is always seeking volunteers to sort clothes on Mondays and Tuesdays. They also need help working in the front of the store when they are open. Contact Lina Eddy at 573-480-5103 if you are interested in helping.

Activities Calendar: December 26, 2021 ~ January 2, 2022

Sunday, December 26th

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School – Cookies & Carols

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Tuesday, December 28th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Friday, December 31st – New Year's Eve

Church office closed

Sunday, January 2nd

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Sermon Notes

Favorite Symbol of Christmas: The Nativity
Matthew 2 & Luke 2

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

6:00 p.m. Sundays at New Life Christian Center
A Christ-Centered 12 Step Support Group for Men
"Overcoming Our Hurts, Hangups And Habits Together"

After School Food Program for Students

Every Friday from 3:15-5:30 PM ~ 410 S. Oak St., California
For more information, call 573-418-0385

rightnow MEDIA

To get access to Right Now Media for you and your family
use the link or text to the number listed below.

Custom Registration Link –

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/CALUCC>

Text Registration Code – UCOC to 4977

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Our Confirmands:

Ashton Bolinger, Addison Carr, Heston Gatlin, Adler Koestner,
Amelia Motley, Chase Trimble, Cody Schneider

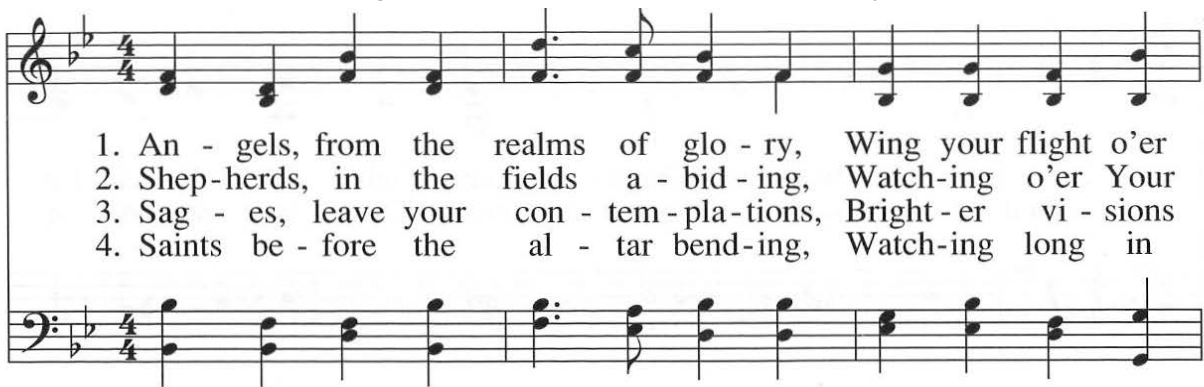
All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaat	Charlie Gabert	Collin Mouse
Jo Suggs	Chris Schoenthal	Kim (Yelton) Haesemeier
Judy Kilmer	Bill Schacht	

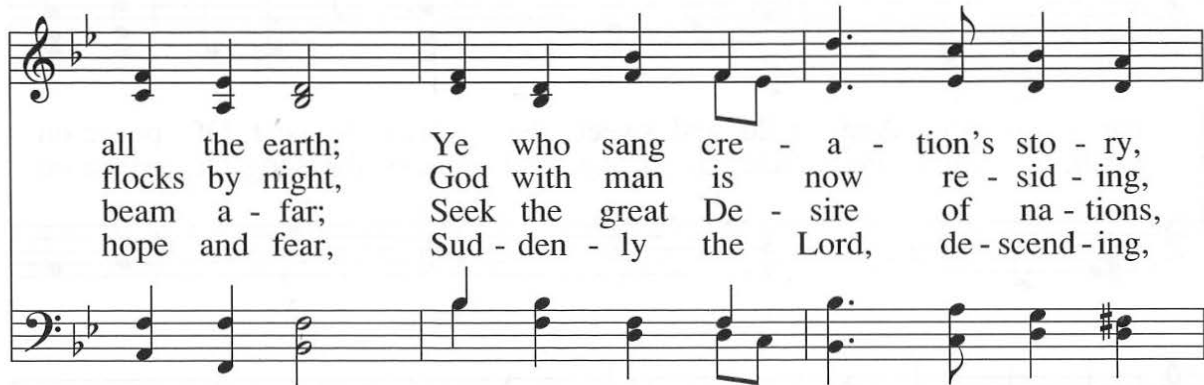
All Those Serving in the U.S. Military, including:

Craig Hall (*Air Force, stationed at Dyess AFB, Abilene, TX*)
Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker*)
Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of Jack & Carole Bowlin, Fort Campbell, KY*)
Dakota Meyer (*grandson of Billy Meyer, Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, CO*)
Madelynn Perry (*granddaughter of Jan Anderson, army – Europe*)
Dylan Ash (*son of Lanny & Ellen Ash, stationed at Oak Harbor, WA*)
Hayden Grant (*grandson of Kathy Grant, Air Force, Pensacola, FL*)
Kyle Hofstetter (*son of Scott & Jill Hofstetter, stationed at San Diego, CA*)
Alexander Ives (*nephew of Pamela Hill, Army – Fort Bragg*)
Cory Friedmeyer (*grandson of Charles Goode, Marines, Palm Springs, CA*)
Ryan Carel (*nephew of Leroy Schnieders, Seymour Johnson AFB, NC*)
Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Fort Bragg, NC*)

Angels from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er
2. Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er Your
3. Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions
4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in



all the earth; Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
flocks by night, God with man is now re - sid - ing,
beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,
hope and fear, Sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,



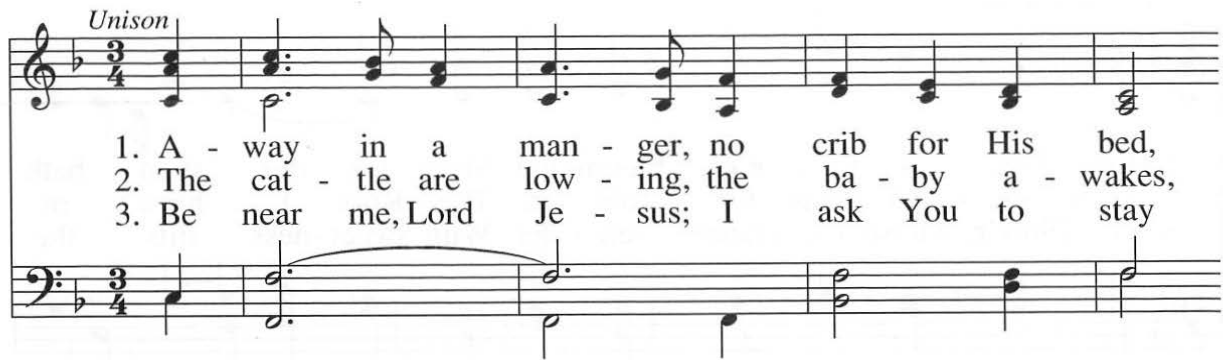
Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
Yon - der shines the in - fant light:
Ye have seen His na - tal star: Come and wor - ship,
In His tem - ple shall ap - pear:



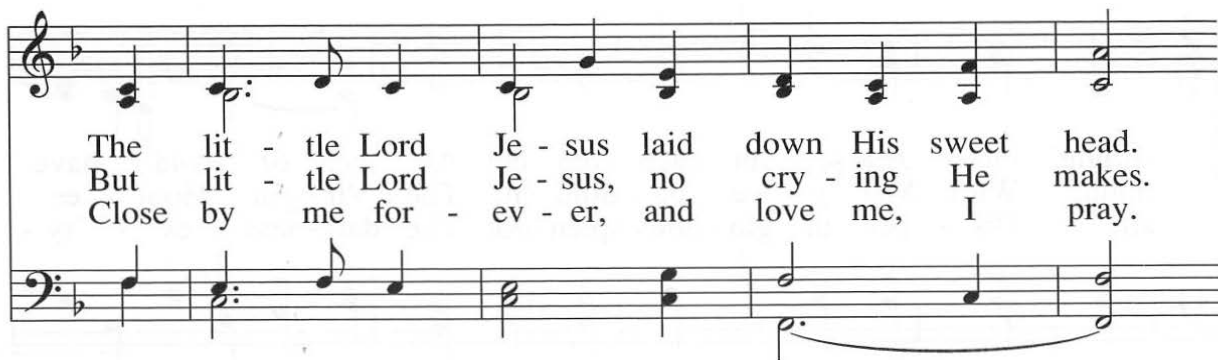
come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King. A - men.

Away in a Manger

Unison



1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for His bed,
2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,
3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask You to stay



The lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down His sweet head.
But lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes.
Close by me for - ev - er, and love me, I pray.



The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
I love You, Lord Je - sus, look down from the sky,
Bless all the dear chil - dren in Your ten - der care,



The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
And fit us for heav - en to live with You there.

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain *Unison*

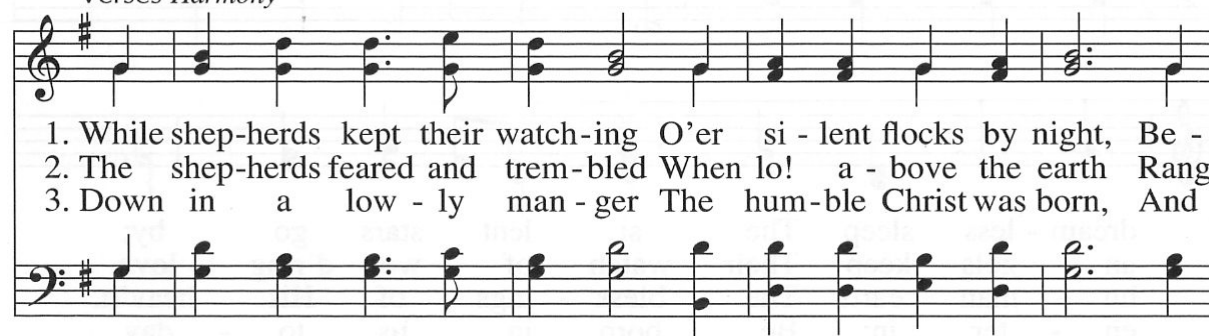


Go, tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry-where;

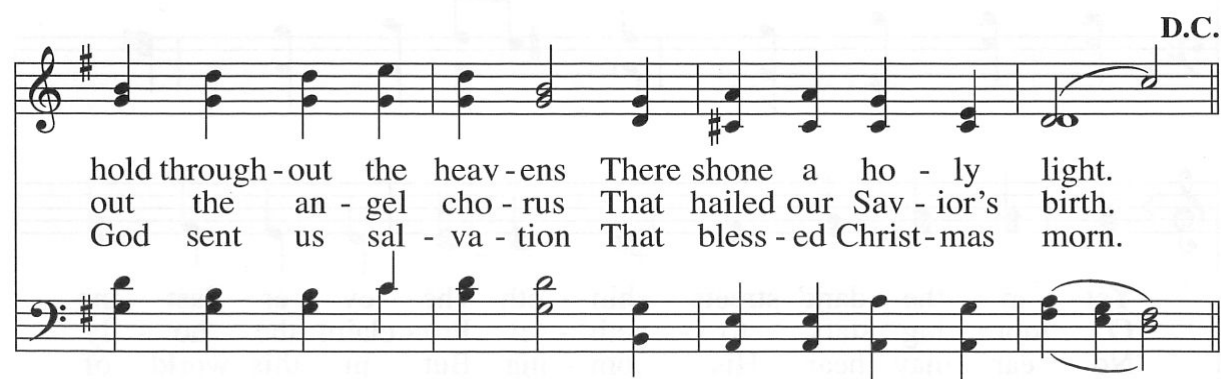


Go, tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!

Verses *Harmony*



1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night, Be -
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled When lo! a - bove the earth Rang
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger The hum-ble Christ was born, And



hold through-out the heav-ens There shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

D.C.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son,
our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he arose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one
Holy universal Christian Church; the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting. Amen.



GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

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.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory for ever. Amen.



DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings
flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.



KYRIE

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.
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