Advent Reading: Isaiah 9:2-3, 6-7

* Call to Worship All God's people, boys and girls, men and women: **Come and Worship!** Shepherds, Magi, saints, and angels: Come and worship! Come and worship! All who need the Savior, all who long for comfort: Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn King!

* God's Greeting

* Angels from the Realms of Glory

#190:1.2.3 (HFG)

Angels, from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Ye who sang creation's story, Now proclaim Messiah's birth: Come and worship, come and worship. Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night, God with man is now residing, Yonder shines the infant Light: Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Wisemen, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar; Seek the great Desire of nations; Ye have seen his natal star: Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

* How Great Our Joy

#181:1,2,4 (HFG)

While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tidings brought an angel bright.

Refrain: How great our joy! Great our joy! Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high! Praise we the Lord in heaven on high!

There shall be born so He did say, In Bethlehem a Child today. Refrain

This gift of God we'll cherish well, That every joy our hearts shall fill. Refrain

* please join us in standing if able

* Redeeming Love

#199 (HFG) From God's heaven to a manger, from great riches to the poor, Came the holy Son of God, a little Child; From the azure halls of heaven to a lowly manger stall, Jesus came, and here He gave His life for all.

Refrain: Redeeming love, a love that knows no limit; Redeeming love, a love that never dies; My soul shall sing throughout the endless ages The adoration of this great love on high.

From a loving heavenly Father, to a world that knew Him not, Came a man of sorrows, Jesus Christ, the Lord; In my wandering Jesus found me, Touched my life with His great love, And this Babe has grown to be my sovereign Lord. Refrain

Call to Confession: 1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: Luke2:10-11

"Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

The Light of the World is Jesus

(Children 3 years old -2^{nd} grade are invited to Children's Church in the Ed. Building during this song.) The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin, The Light of the world is Jesus; Like sunshine at noon-day His glory shone in, The Light of the world is Jesus.

Refrain: Come to the Light, 'tis shining for thee! Sweetly the Light has dawned upon me; Once I was blind, but now I can see The Light of the world is Jesus.

No darkness have we who in Jesus abide The Light of the world is Jesus; We walk in the Light when we follow our Guide The Light of the world is Jesus. Refrain

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Ministry of Music: O Holy Night

Offering: Christian Hope Association

Morning Prayer

* All Hail, King Jesus

All hail, King Jesus! All hail, Emmanuel! King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star. And throughout eternity I'll sing His praises, And I'll reign with Him throughout eternity.

Scripture: Daniel 3:8–30

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This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Message: The Fiery Furnace

* God Is With Us! Alleluia!

(sung to the tune of All Creatures of Our God and King) His name is called Emmanuel, More wonderful than words can tell. God is with us! Alleluia! Born in our darkness, He is Light. Born in our weakness, He is Might. God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Rejoice, and lay aside your fear. Rejoice, the Holy One is here. God is with us! Alleluia! Lift up Your voices, come and sing, Come worship Christ, the newborn King. God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* God's Blessing

#636 (HFG)

* God Is With Us! Alleluia!

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. God is with us! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Fiery Furnace Daniel 3:8–30

When Heaven and Earth Meet



Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington December 22, 2019 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary. The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system. Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

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Prayer: Brent H, Roger P
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