

## RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns and Celebrations*

*"Hear us, O God; your mercy is great"*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Mary Did You Know?*

Mark Lowry

\*PRAISE HYMN 607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 121 "O Little Town of Bethlehem" St. Louis

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING HYMN "Joy to the World" ANTIOCH

(verse 4) **He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations  
prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and  
wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

\*POSTLUDE *Gigue on Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!* arr., Linda McKechnie

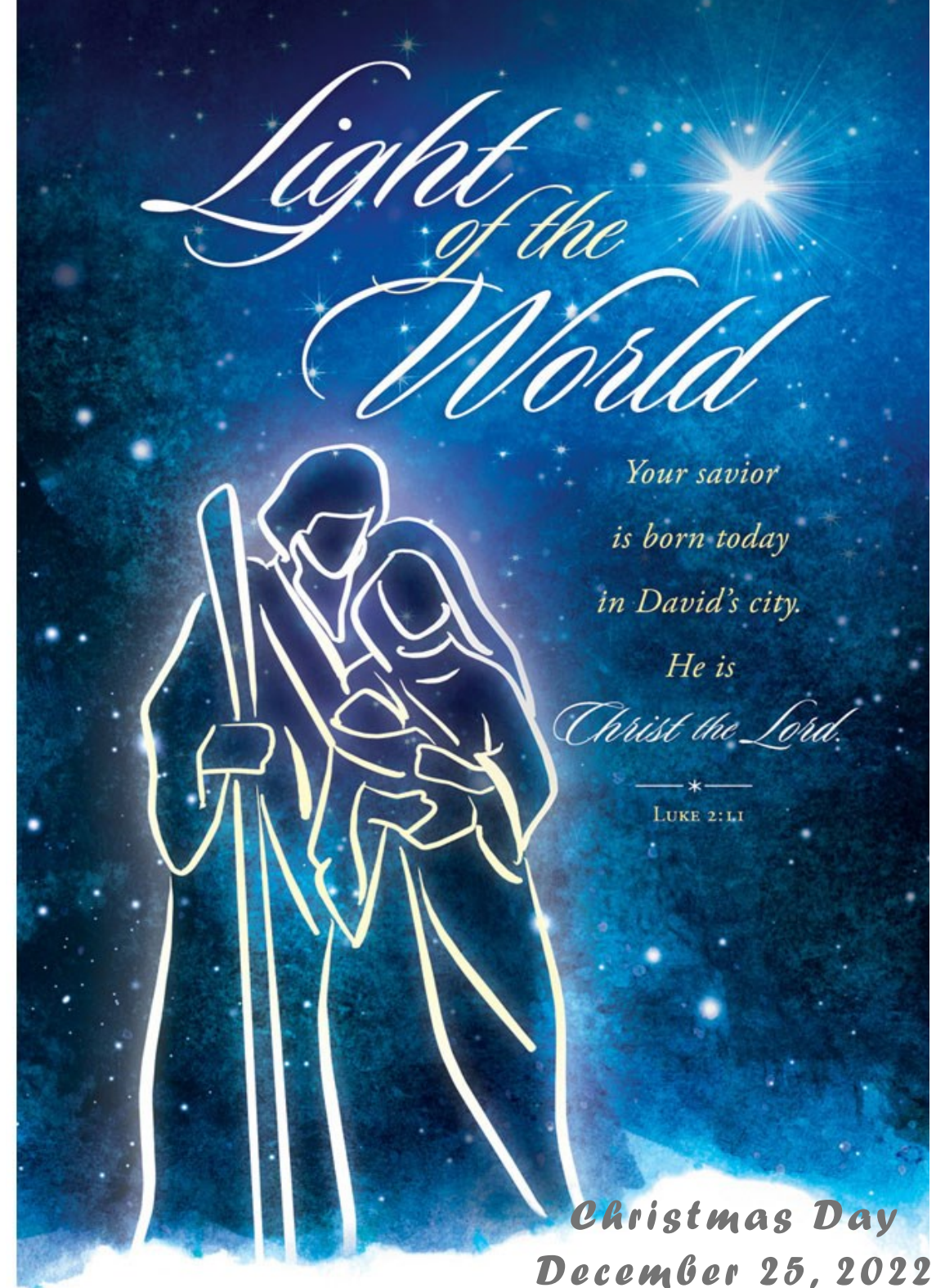
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\* denotes standing as able.

PIANIST: Betsy Burmeister

LITURGIST: Sandy Whitney

SOLOIST: Christina Noel Reaves



# COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: White

Christmas Day

11:00am Worship

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Christmas Bells

arr., Linda McKeachie

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

arr., Timothy Brown

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is born!

**Alleluia!**

Jesus is among us!

**Alleluia!**

Shout with joy, give thanks, and sing!

**Christ is born!**

\*Hymn 119

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

MENDELSSOHN

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We confess, Holy Creator,**

**that we care more for ourselves than this world you made.**

**We confess, Newborn Savior,**

**that we focus on our own wants at the expense of the needs of others.**

**We confess, Abundant Spirit,**

**that we push you aside, scoffing at the idea that you are actually at work.**

**Forgive us and guide us as we celebrate your birth,**

**and shape us to be more like you. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*PRAISE HYMN 136

"Go, Tell it on the Mountain"

GO TELL IT

(refrain)

**Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

## LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 52: 7-10

GOSPEL READING

John 1: 1-14

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD (See insert)

\*HYMN SING

*The congregation is invited to request Christmas hymns  
for us to sing together. We will sing the first and last verse.*