

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

DECEMBER 31, 2023 | 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION & PRAISE

Prelude: "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

arr. Marilyn Ham
arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship:

Isaiah 40:9

* Hymn: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

PH 345

* God's Greeting:

based on Luke 2:14, 1 Peter 1:2

Prayer of the Day:

based on Hebrews 1:1-2

Almighty God, long ago, at many times and in many ways, you spoke to our ancestors by the prophets. But in these last days you have spoken to us by your Son. As we assemble today to hear your Word and worship your name, help us to lift up our voices and adore you. Speak to us, so that our lives might give you praise. Amen.

CONFESSION & PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Prayer of Confession

God's Will for Our Lives:

Romans 13:11-14

Hymn: "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Assurance of Pardon:

Galatians 4:4-5

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

PH 355

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *A New Year's Repentance*

Matthew 3:1-12

* Hymn: "In Christ Alone"

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Preparatory Form for the Lord's Supper:

PH p. 976

* Offertory Prayer

for the General Fund & Children's Haven

* Confession of Faith:

from Our World Belongs to God §1, 4, 24, 28, 45

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

* Benediction:

based on II Corinthians 13:14

* Doxology: "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

PH 356:3

Postlude:

**Indicates congregation stands, as able*

Minister: Rev. Joel Vande Werken

Liturgist: Greg Ebbeling

Organ: Karen Wielsma | Piano: Terry Ebbeling