



PRELUDE

What Child is This

C. Tornquist

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL CAROL**

#198 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice IN DULCI JUBILO

***INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (cpcatlanta.org)

Merciful God,
We give thanks that you have come to us
and that your light shines around us.
We acknowledge that there is still darkness
in us and in our world.
We confess that we have seen the light of your star
and do not always follow where it leads.
Lead us again by your guiding light
into the light and love of Christ,
in whose name we pray...

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

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.

FIRST READING

Ephesians 3:1-12 Page 205-06 second half of the NRSV Bible
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

***CAROL OF PRAISE**

#184 What Child Is This? GREENSLEEVES
(At end of hymn, children up to Gr. 6 may come forward)

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

SECOND READING

Matthew 2:1-12 Page 2, second half of the NRSV Bible
Response to reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay

***CAROL OF APPROACH**

#114 O Come, Let Us Adore Him ADESTE FIDELIS

GATHERING AT THE TABLE

***The Passing of the Peace**

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ, his only 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 rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall
come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**catholic means the church universal or the church for all time*

The Bread

The Cup

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafer is available.

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Angels We Have Heard on High C. Tornquist
Regular Offering and/or Communion Offering for the ministry of
the Navigators – Rasem & Naheda Moree
(Beige envelopes with coloured labels in pew rack may be used for contributions to this special communion offering)

***Doxology**

So, bring him incense, gold and myrrh,
come peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary!

***Prayer of Gratitude**

***CAROL FOR THE JOURNEY**

#185 Hark! the Herald Angels Sing MENDELSSOHN

***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love
of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.
People: And also with you.

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

***POSTLUDE**

Joy to the World G.F. Handel/arr. D.V. Archer

***Please stand, as you are able.**

📖 We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Worship
Leadership – Debbie Benson, Rev. Allan Effa; Ushers – Gwen
Borowski, Warren Tasker; Readers – Shenaika Baptiste,
Taunya Wirzba; Sound – Gordon Adnams;
📖 Guest Organist – Jane Fagnan
📖 *Music and words for the Gloria Patri, the Doxology and the
Congregational Amen are found on the front page of black
folder in the pew rack.*