



PRELUDE

Unto Us a Child is Born R. Haan

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Jubilate Deo Taizé
Raise a Song of Gladness

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL CAROL**

#182 O Come, All Ye Faithful ADESTE FIDELEZ

***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

God, you come to us in the quiet of night,
nudging us awake with your newborn presence,
but sometimes, we do not even acknowledge you.
We ignore the promptings of your Holy Spirit
to act on what you would have us do.
Forgive us our preoccupation and our failure
to do what is good and true.
Help us attune our heart
to the needs around us, near and far.
May we become like the shepherds, and run to you.
Amen.
(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.

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Wexford Carol
(Good Christians all, this Christmas-tide)
Stéphane Fagnon, cello

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

LITANY

One: We will rejoice in the Lord.
Our whole being will exalt in our God.
**Two: God has clothed us with salvation
and covered us with righteousness.**
One: We will rejoice in the Lord.
Our whole being will exalt in our God.
**Two: God brings forth shoots from the earth
and causes gardens to spring up.**
One: We will rejoice in the Lord.
Our whole being will exalt in our God.
**Two: God will bring forward righteousness and praise
before all the nations.**
One: We will rejoice in the Lord.
Our whole being will exalt in our God.
**All: We will not be quiet, we will rejoice in the Lord,
with our whole being, we will exalt our God!**

***CAROL OF PRAISE**

#218 Go Tell it on the Mountain GO TELL IT

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CAROL OF MEDITATION

#228 While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks CHRISTMAS

SECOND TESTAMENT READING

Luke 2:8-20
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON "Echo the Song!" Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory
The Work of Christmas D. Forest
Samual Hernandez Niebla Jr., tenor

***Offertory Response**

**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**

#179 Joy to the World ANTIOCH

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.

***Benediction**

Still, Still, Still
(Still, still, still, one can hear the falling snow)
Stéphane Fagnon, cello

***The Sending of the Community**

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

***POSTLUDE**

In dulci jubilo D. Bedard
(Good Christian Friends, Rejoice)

*Please stand, as you are able
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