

## HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 29, 2013

1st Sunday after Christmas

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Luis González

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*Good News*

Chancel Choir

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ From John 1:14, Luke 2:14, Isa. 9:2, Matt. 1:23

L: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

**P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

L: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

**P: All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel" (which means, God with us).**

**\*UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – bless us as we gather for worship in this Christmas season. You have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light be enkindled in our hearts, and may it shine forth in our lives, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us, to be light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our lack of faith, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.**

*(Silent prayer and personal confession)*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** ~ 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

L: "The saying is sure, and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

**P: "He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness."**

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

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ANTHEM

*Welcome to Our World*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S LESSON ~ (Preschool through 2nd grade children may be led to Junior Church following the children's message. Older children's bulletins are in the vestibule.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 10 Verse ~ 1-15

He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. Do not take along any gold or silver or copper in your belts; take no bag for the journey, or extra tunic, or sandals or a staff; for the worker is worth his keep. "Whatever town or village you enter, search for some worthy person there and stay at his house until you leave. As you enter the home, give it your greeting. If the home is deserving, let your peace rest on it; if it is not, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake the dust off your feet when you leave that home or town. I tell you the truth, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 10 Verse ~ 1-12

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. "When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; if not, it will return to you. Stay in that house, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. "When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God is near you.' But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that sticks to our feet we wipe off

against you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God is near.' I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

L: This is the word of the Lord;

**P: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Nameless Except to God" Ramona Bosserman

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal

\*HYMN *Angels We Have Heard on High* #278

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debts/debtors...)

\*HYMN *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* #258

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL CLOSE *Good News* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Luis González

\*Those who are able may stand.

**BOLDFACE TYPE** indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

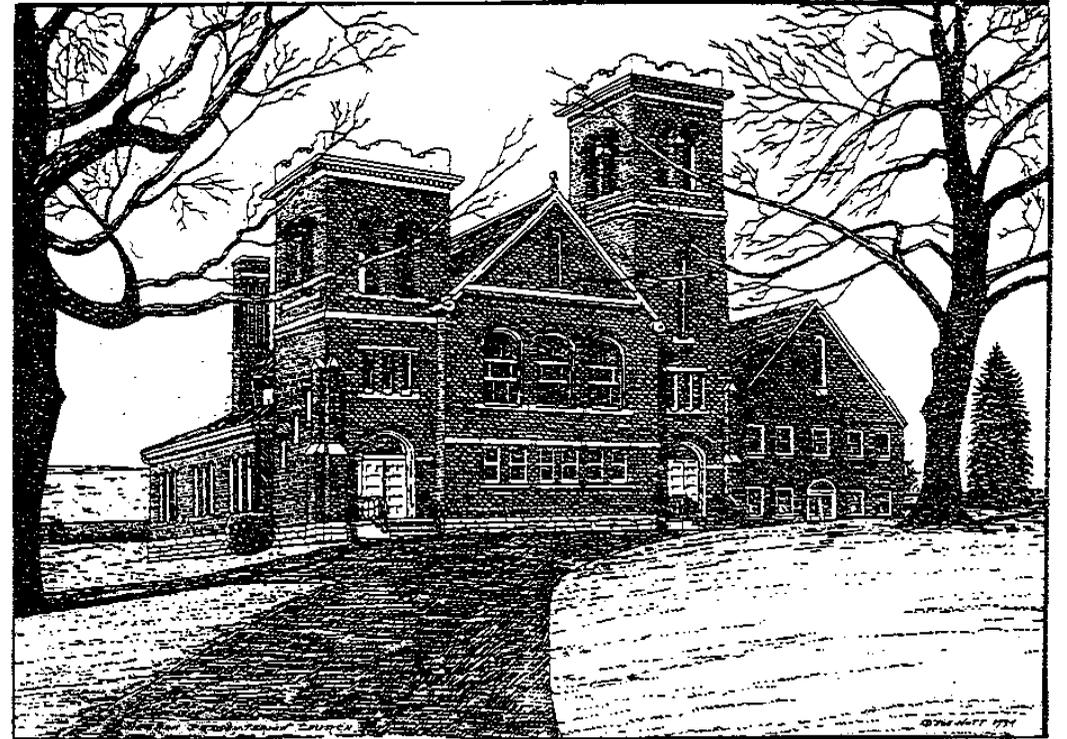
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