

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 30, 2018

1st Sunday After Christmas

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Adam Kelly, Accompanist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Isaiah 12 ~ Adapted, *The Living Bible*

L: Praise the LORD! He was angry with me, but now He comforts me.

P: See, God has come to save me! I will trust and not be afraid, for the LORD is my strength and song; He is my salvation.

L: Oh, the joy of drinking deeply from the Fountain of Salvation.

P: Thank the LORD! Praise His name! Tell the world about His wonderful love. How mighty He is.

L: Sing to the LORD for he has done wonderful things. Make known His praise around the world.

All: Let all the people shout His praise with joy; for great and mighty is the Holy One of Israel, who lives among us.

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

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word, Jesus. May this new light, kindled in our hearts by the gift of faith from Holy Spirit, shine forth in our lives. Bless us now, and guide us always, we pray in Christ’s name. Amen.

***HYMN**

Joy to the World

#270

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

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ Isaiah 1:18

L: Come now, let us reason together, saith the Lord: Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall as white as snow;

P: Though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

L: Believe in the good news of the gospel:

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

***GLORIA PATRI**

#813

ANTHEM

Away in a Manger

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ 1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26 ~ Page 235 in the pew Bible

Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy girded with a linen ephod. And his mother [Hannah] used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, “The LORD give you children by this woman for the loan which she lent to the LORD”; so then they would return to their home.

Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with men.

GOSPEL LESSON~ Luke 2: 41-52 ~ Page 890 in the pew Bible

Now his [Jesus’] parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the company they went a day’s journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; and all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when they saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been looking for you anxiously.” And he said to them, “How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” And they did not understand the saying which he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man.

L: This is the word of the Lord; **P: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Babies Do Grow Up" Ramona J. Bosserman

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

***HYMN** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You* #271

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

***HYMN** *Love Has Come!* #256

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *Be Near Me, Lord Jesus* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Adam Kelly, Accompanist

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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Luke 2:52, ESV

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