



Gilead Presbyterian Church, January 1, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

WELCOME

OPENING MUSIC

"Song for the New Year"
Mary Temple, organ

by Rob Roy Peery

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Lamentations 3:22-23

Leader: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases.

People: The LORD's mercies never come to an end.

Leader: They are new every morning;

People: Great is the faithfulness of the LORD.

*PURPLE HYMNAL #143

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

**1. Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
you, who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!**

**3. Sages, leave your contemplations; brighter visions beam afar;
seek the great desire of nations; you have seen his natal star:
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!**

**4. All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One:
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF ADORATION

With praise and thanksgiving we lift up our voices to you, O God. Joyfully we proclaim the birth of hope and joy in the world. On this holy morning, we commit ourselves anew to proclaiming this good news through our lives. Our thoughts,

prayers, and deeds. We resolve to live the new year in loving Spirit. We believe in all things good, brought to glorious fruition through Jesus Christ, and we accept the comfort and challenge of receiving Christ and bearing Christ into the world. Joy to the World!

SILENT PRAYER

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM

"I Come with Joy"
Mariah Warren, soloist

American Folk Melody

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God, we are sorry for the mistakes we've made. Sometimes we've been selfish and mean to other people. We don't act in ways that make us and others feel good. Help us to do better. Fill us up with love and caring so that we can make you proud. We pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA, from "Angels We Have Heard on High"
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE

(Ezekiel 18:31) Cast away all the transgressions that you have committed against [the LORD], and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit!

(2 Corinthians 5:17) So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

(Ephesians 4:22-24) You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its sins, {23} and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, {24} and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God . . .

(Revelation 21:1-5) Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. . . {2} And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. {3} And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. God will dwell with them as their God; they will be God's people, and God's own presence will be with them; {4} God will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." {5} And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."

PURPLE HYMNAL #112*"On Christmas Night All Christians Sing"**

**1. On Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring;
on Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring,
news of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King's birth.**

**4. All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night;
all out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night:
"Glory to God in highest heaven; peace on earth and goodwill. Amen!"**

**On New Year's Day let Gilead sing Our Spirits soar like a bird on the wing.
On New Year's Day let Gilead sing Our Spirits soar like a bird on the wing.
Here's to the One who lights our way Our new life be-gi-ins today.**

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Mary, Did You Know"
Mary Temple, organ

by Mark Lowry & Buddy Greene

***SONG OF PRAISE**

**Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION*THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

All who wish may receive Communion. The congregation will be invited to come forward to receive the elements, but for those who wish, elements will be brought to them. For those joining virtually, all are invited to partake of bread and wine, or any substance that feels appropriate; or prayerfully take in the sacrifice of the Lord symbolically.

INVITATION, PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion Music, Gilead Singers

PASTORAL PRAYER

by Rev. Allysen Schaaf

(<https://pres-outlook.org/2022/12/a-prayer-for-2022-and-2023/>)

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN**

"All Glory be to Christ"

words by Dustin Kensrue

**1. Should nothing of our efforts stand, No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn All glory be to Christ!**

**Chorus: All glory be to Christ our King! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing All glory be to Christ!**

**2. His will be done His kingdom come On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet All glory be to Christ! (Chorus)**

**3. When on the day the great I Am The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be All glory be to Christ! (Chorus)**

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC Fantasia on "Forest Green" by Lani Smith
Mary Temple, organ based on trad. English melody

**Please stand, if you are able.*

Thank you to our videographer today, Stephanie Gould.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ Join us Wednesdays on Zoom at 8:30 a.m. for prayer and 7:30 p.m. for Bible Study. The link is in the weekly email.
- ▶ Next Sunday, January 8, we will celebrate Epiphany. Singers rehearse at 9:15.

† *We accept offerings through the "Online Giving" link on our website, www.gileadchurch.org, or mail checks made out to Gilead Presbyterian Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, NY 10512. Or give elsewhere if you see a need. In doing so, we brighten the world, and brighten our hearts.*

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143 Angels, from the Realms of Glory

1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er
 2 Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your
 3 Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; bright - er vi - sions
 4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,

all the earth; you, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
 flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing;
 beam a - far; seek the great de - sire of na - tions;
 Spir - it, Son, ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing

now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 yon - der shines the in - fant light: come and wor - ship,
 you have seen his na - tal star:
 to the e - ter - nal Three in One:

come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born king!

This familiar carol was first published as a poem in the Christmas Eve 1816 issue of a newspaper the author edited in Sheffield, England. The tune name celebrates the location of a prominent Presbyterian Church in London, sometimes called the "Presbyterian cathedral."

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing 112

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (A7) (D)
 F B^b F C7 F



1 On Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing, to hear the
 2 Then why should we on earth be sad, since our Re -
 3 When sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then life and
 4 All out of dark - ness we have light, which made the

(G) (A) (D) (G)
 B^b C F B^b



news the an - gels bring; on Christ - mas night all
 deem - er made us glad; then why should we on
 health come in its place; when sin de - parts be -
 an - gels sing this night; all out of dark - ness

(D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
 F C F B^b C F



Chris - tians sing, to hear the news the an - gels bring,
 earth be sad, since our Re - deem - er made us glad,
 fore his grace, then life and health comes in its place;
 we have light, which made the an - gels sing this night:

(A) (Em) (D) (A)
 C Gm F C



news of great joy, news of great mirth,
 when from our sin he set us free,
 heav - en and earth with joy may sing,
 "Glo - ry to God in high - est heaven;

(D) (G) (A) (G) (D)
 F B^b C B^b F



news of our mer - ci - ful King's birth.
 all for to gain our lib - er - ty?
 all for to see the new - born King,
 peace on earth and good - will. A - men!"

The words of this carol first appeared in 1684 in a collection by an Irish bishop, Luke Wadding. Whether they were his own work or something gleaned from popular use is not clear. The tune name recalls that the tune was collected in 1904 from Mrs. Verrall of Monk's Gate, Sussex.