

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

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**THE LORD'S DAY OF DEC 25,  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2011  
9:30 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”  
(Habakkuk 2:20)

## WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

Welcome

Preparatory Devotional

Quiet Prayer

Asterisks (\*) denote portions for congregation to stand.  
Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).  
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

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## GOD SUMMONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Luke 2:10-14*

<sup>10</sup>And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup>For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup>“Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S SUMMONS

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 731, “Doxology”*

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 218, “Angels, from the Realms of Glory”*

## GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Matthew 22:34-40*

<sup>34</sup>But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. <sup>35</sup>And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup>“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup>And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup>This is the great and first commandment. <sup>39</sup>And a second is like it: You shall love your

neighbor as yourself. <sup>40</sup>On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LAW**

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father, King of Glory,**

**as we hear your greatest commandments proclaimed,  
we confess that we have not delighted in them,  
or obeyed them with joy.**

**Instead, we have set up other gods in our hearts,  
and bowed down to them.**

**We have also used our neighbors for our ends,  
and sinned against them in thought, word, and deed.**

**In breaking these greatest of laws, we have broken all your laws  
(Jas 2:10).**

**Remove, O Lord, the love of sin from our hearts!**

**Forgive us for the sake of Christ Jesus who died for the ungodly  
(Rom 5:6),**

**and fulfilled all righteousness (Mt 3:15).**

## **GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL**

Reading of the Gospel: : *1John 4:9-10*

<sup>9</sup>In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup>In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Confession of the Gospel (Unison):

**Dear heavenly Father, we receive and rest on Christ Jesus alone for  
righteousness, holiness, and eternal life.**

Assurance of Pardon: *Romans 8:3-4*

<sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

## WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Trinity Hymnal* 203, “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

## GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *Ephesians* 1:3-6

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God: “Christ Jesus: Our Adoption: A Christmas Message”—Pastor Christopher Seah

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal* 467, “Wonderful Grace of Jesus”

\*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *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 at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**

**from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy <sup>+</sup>catholic Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.**

*<sup>+</sup>catholic: universal*

**Amen.**

\*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 195, "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"*

## **GOD DISMISSES US WITH HIS BLESSINGS**

\*Benediction