

Verse 3...Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy is Lord of all creation? Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy will one day rule the nations? Did you know that your Baby Boy was Heaven's perfect Lamb? And the sleeping Child you're holding is the great "I Am?" Mary, did you know?

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### "Jesus Knows Me"

Verse 1...Jesus knows me! This I love, came to earth from heaven above. Stable's manger for a bed, there God laid His Infant head.

Chorus...Yes, God is with us! Yes, God is with us!  
Yes, God is with us! God knows and loves me so!

Verse 2...Sheep and shepherds, fields and skies, angel songs and Infant sighs, God with us this is the sign, swaddled Baby Savior mine.

Chorus...Yes, God is with us! Yes, God is with us!  
Yes, God is with us! God knows and loves me so!

Verse 3...Traveling star and gifts to pack, wise men looking up not back. Just like them my hopes I bring, all to worship Christ the King.

Chorus...Yes, God is with us! Yes, God is with us!  
Yes, God is with us! God knows and loves me so!

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### --COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

Depart ☩ in peace.

### --BENEDICTION

P. The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C. Amen.**

### --CLOSING SONG "Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)"

*(Judges 5:31; Ecclesiastes 12:4; Psalm 7:17; Isaiah 42:21)*

Verse 1...Joy to the world, the Lord is come. Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare Him room and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

*(continued...)*

Verse 2...Joy to the world, the Savior reigns. Let all their songs employ. While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

Chorus...Joy, unspeakable joy! An overflowing well, no tongue can tell! Joy, unspeakable joy! It rises in my soul, never lets me go!

Verse 3...He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of His righteousness. And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

Chorus...

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**C. Thanks be to God!**

\* \* \* **TO GOD BE THE GLORY** \* \* \*

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## THE CONNECTION

December 1, 2024 10:30am

--PRESERVICE SONG "Joy to the World"

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--WORSHIP SONG "Here I Am to Worship" (Philippians 2:6-8)

Verse 1...Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus...Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

Verse 2...King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above, humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. Chorus...

Bridge...I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

Sing Chorus twice...

Tag...Here I am to worship.

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**(Please stand)**

### INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen**

### --CONFESSION OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**C. Most merciful God, in Your kindness and love You have saved us. You've rescued us from the coldness of our sin. Yet, we still struggle to share Your warmth in our daily living. Our thoughts don't always follow Your thoughts. Our ways often stray from Your ways. We sin against not only You, but against our neighbors, as well. Forgive us, dear Lord. Wrap us securely in Your love and lead us in Your good ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**--FORGIVENESS OF SINS**

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, "You are forgiven." In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

**--STATEMENT OF WHAT WE BELIEVE**

**"This I Believe (The Creed)"**

Verse 1...Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God almighty. Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

Chorus...

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son. I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One. I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again. For I believe in the name of Jesus.

Verse 2... Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You.

Descended into darkness,  
You rose in glorious life, forever seated high. Chorus...

Chorus 2...

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth. I believe in the saints' communion and in Your holy church. I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again. For I believe in the name of Jesus. For I believe in the name of Jesus.

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**(Please sit)**

**--FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 33:14-16**

<sup>14</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

L. Here ends the first reading.

**--SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, <sup>10</sup>as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?  
*(continued...)*

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, <sup>12</sup>and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, <sup>13</sup>so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L. Here ends the second reading.

**(Please stand)**

**--GOSPEL LESSON Luke 19:28-40**

<sup>28</sup>When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup>When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup>And they said, "The Lord has need of it." <sup>35</sup>And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" <sup>39</sup>And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

**(Please sit)**

**--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**--OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG**

**"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"** (Matthew 2:2,11)

Verse 1...O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Verse 2...We'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever, Christ the Lord.

Verse 3...We'll give Him all the glory, We'll give Him all the glory, We'll give Him all the glory, Christ the Lord.

Verse 4...For You alone are worthy, For You alone are worthy, For You alone are worthy, Christ the Lord.

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**--MESSAGE OF THE DAY**

**"PEACE AND QUIET—NOT TODAY!"**

*(Text: Luke 19:37-40) The Rev. Peter Gueldner*

**(Please stand)**

**--PRAYERS**

***(Sung at beginning of prayers)***

**"The Spirit Intercedes For Us"** (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us,  
With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

*The pastor will conclude the prayers with:*

*"Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."*

***(Sung at end of the prayers)***

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The Spirit intercedes for us,  
With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

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P. Let us pray as our Savior taught us...

**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 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 forever and ever. Amen**

**--WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**--SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION "Mary, Did You Know"**

*(Isaiah 35:5-6; Matthew 11:5)*

Verse 1...Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy would some day walk on water? Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy would save our sons and daughters? Did you know that your Baby Boy has come to make you new? This Child that you delivered, will soon deliver you?

Verse 2...Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy will give sight to a blind man? Mary, did you know that your Baby Boy would calm a storm with His hand? Did you know that your Baby Boy has walked where angels trod, that when you kiss your little Baby, you've kissed the face of God? Oh, Mary did you know...

Instrumental Interlude, then Bridge... The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again. The lame will leap; the dumb will speak the praises of The Lamb.

*(continued...)*