

## *We Respond to God's Word*

### **The Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in God who made us and the world around us.  
We believe in Jesus Christ who came to earth as an infant to show us God's love for us.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit who walks with us on our journey of life.  
We believe and trust in One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

### **The Prayers of the People**

#### **Sung response to each petition:**

*O come, let us adore him;*  
*O come, let us adore him;*  
*O come, let us adore him;*  
*Christ the Lord.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

## *We Go Forth to Share the Good News*

### **The Dismissal Hymn**

#### ***Joy to the world!***

Joy to the world, the Lord is come,  
Let earth receive her King,  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
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And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

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.

### **The Blessing & Dismissal**

### **The Postlude**

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# Family Crèche Service

Christmas Eve 2010



*First Presbyterian Church*

*Tyler, Texas*

*3:00 p.m.*



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December 24, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.

*First Presbyterian Church  
Tyler, Texas*

*We gather for worship*

## The Prelude

### \*The Call to Worship

L: For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given:

**P: O come, let us adore him.**

L: And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, the Prince of Peace:

**P: O come, let us adore him.**

L: Good Christian friends, rejoice! Jesus Christ is born today!

**P: O come, let us adore him.**

### \*The Carol of Praise and Adoration

***O come, all ye faithful***

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come, ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come, and behold him, born the King of angels!

*O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,*

*O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!

Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

*Refrain*

***Hark! The herald angels sing***

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the Newborn King.

Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies;

With th' angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord!

Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the virgin's womb.

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail th' incarnate Deity,

Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

***O little town of Bethlehem***

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, The silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth, The everlasting light;

The hopes and fears of all the years, Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above,

While mortals sleep, the angels keep, Their watch of wondering love.

O morning stars together, Proclaim the holy birth!

And praises sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.

## The Lighting of the Christ Candle

### The Prayer of Adoration

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

**P: O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

## *We Hear God's Word*

### The Scripture Lesson: Joseph and Mary journey to Bethlehem

Luke 2:1-7

***Away in a manger***

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,

The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.

The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,

The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

### The Scripture Lesson: The shepherds encounter the angels

Luke 2:8-14

***Angels we have heard on high***

Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains,

And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

### The Scripture Lesson: The shepherds share the Good News

Luke 2:15-20

***Go tell it on the mountain***

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.

Go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherd kept their watching, o'er silent flocks by night,

Behold, throughout the heavens, there shone a holy light.