

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
Northside Presbyterian Church – December 27, 2020

GATHERING MUSIC – “Sing We Now of Christmas”

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT – “Dona Nobis Pacem”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us sing God's praise with creation!

Praise God, sun and moon! Praise God, shining stars!

Come, let us sing with Simeon and Anna! God's gift for all people!

Come let us sing God's praise together

And worship the Christ-child born for us!

HYMN – “Angels We Have Heard on High” (113, v. 1-3)

**1 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!

**2 Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?**

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

**3 Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.**

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

PRAYER

OFFERING OF MUSIC – Your favorite carols

GOSPEL – Luke 2:21-40 – Marya Katz

SERMON – “I Heard the Bells”

HYMN – “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day” (v. 1, 2, 4)

**I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet The words repeat Of peace on earth, good-will to all!**

**And in despair I bowed my head; "There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong, And mocks the song Of peace on earth, good-will to all!"**

**Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The Wrong shall fail, The Right prevail, With peace on earth, good-will to all."**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN – "What Child Is This" (145, v. 1, 3)

**1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary!**

**3 So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, one and all, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high. The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG (92)

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

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan
Susan Dickerson
Bonnie Church

Drew Taylor
Edd Stoops
Mary Lough

Doug Rathjen
Deborah Long
Floyd Long

Today's musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen
Video Technician – Marshall Chaney