

Morning Worship

December 25, 2011

Reflection — Luke 1:26-33

³⁰And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Approach to God

Welcome

Preparation

Prelude

Call to Worship — Luke 1:68-69; 2:14

⁶⁸ "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his people
⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David...."

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

Hymn of Praise — Joy To the World!

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
 play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
 and heav'n and na - ture sing,
 and

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.
 heav'n and na - ture sing,

Based on Psalm 98
 Isaac Watts, 1719

ANTIOCH C.M.rep.
 George Frederick Handel, 1742
 Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1836

Prayer of Adoration

Praise

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:1-7

¹In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³And all went to be registered, each to his own town. ⁴And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, ⁵to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. ⁶And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Hymn of Praise — Thou Who Was Rich Beyond All Splendor

1. Thou who wast rich be - yond all splen - dor, all for love's sake be -
2. Thou who art God be - yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be -
3. Thou who art love be - yond all tell - ing, Sav - ior and King, we

cam - est poor; thrones for a man - ger didst sur - ren - der,
cam - est man; stoop - ing so low, but sin - ners rais - ing,
wor - ship thee. Em - man - u - el, with - in us dwell - ing,

sap - phire - paved courts for sta - ble floor. Thou who wast rich be -
heav'n - ward by thine e - ter - nal plan. Thou who art God be -
make us what thou wouldst have us be. Thou who art love be -

yond all splen - dor, all for love's sake be - cam - est poor.
yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be - cam - est man.
yond all tell - ing, Sav - ior and King, we wor - ship thee.

Frank Houghton, 1894–1972

QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGREABLE 9.8.9.8.9.8.
French carol melody
Arr. by Charles H. Kitson, 1930

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Renewal

Scripture Reading — Luke 2:8-14

⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. ¹⁰And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

Hymn of Praise — Angels We Have Heard on High (see page 7)

Reading from the Valley of Vision — The Gift of Gifts

Children's Message — The Name of Jesus -- Immanuel

(Children ages PS-5th grade are invited to come sit in the front row.)

Matthew 1:21-23 — ²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel."

Hymn led by children — Silent Night (see page 14)

Prayer of Confession & Supplication

Tithes and Offerings

(there will be no children's church this morning)

Angels We Have Heard on High

1. An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
 2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
 3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
 Say what may the tid - ings be, which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

REFRAIN

Glo - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o,

glo - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Traditional French carol

GLORIA 7.7.7.7.ref.
 Traditional French melody
 Arr. by Edward S. Barnes, 1937

Sermon Text— Matthew 1: 18-25

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). ²⁴When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Sermon— The Birth of Jesus — Immanuel
~Pastor Francis VanDelden

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn — Good Christian Men Rejoice (see page 10)

Benediction

Announcements

Postlude

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*There is no Sunday school this morning.*  
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The Birth of Jesus — Immanuel

Matthew 1:18-25

Closing Hymn — Good Christian Men Rejoice

1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 3. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Medieval Latin carol
 Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1853; alt.
 Alt. 1961

IN DULCI JUBILO 6.6.7.7.7.8.5.5.
 German melody, 14th cent.
 Arr. by W. D., 1918

Community in Prayer

Our Church Family

- Praise God for the gift of His son, Jesus, who came to earth as a baby to be a sacrifice and substitute for those who love Him.
- Pray for the Property Development team as they continue to work on putting everything together to renovate the Wye Creek property.
- Thank God for all of the people who have volunteered to serve on committees for the Wye Creek development and for the hard work they have done so far; pray that God will bless their efforts.
- Pray for the owner of the Wye Creek property during this Christmas season in light of her husband passing away; pray that God will bring her comfort and that He will become very real to her.
- Pray for all the college students that will be home during the Christmas break; pray for safety in travel and for a time at home that is blessed.
- Continue to pray for discernment for the congregation as they prepare to vote on men for the office of elder and deacon.
- Praise God for the children at New Hope and for the blessing of hearing their voices lifted in song this morning during the worship service.
- Praise God for the work of all of those who serve in the nursery and children's church and for their willingness to serve the littlest members of the congregation.
- Pray for our expectant mothers, Shelley Honnold and Laura VanDelden, and the health and well-being of both of the moms and babies.
- Pray for those who are traveling during the holidays; pray for safety and care as they are away from their homes.

Frederick Area

- Pray for those who were visited by the new movers teams last Sunday; pray that they will be moved to come to church and hear more about the Gospel.
- Pray for Parkway Elementary school — the teachers, students and administration — that New Hope will be a blessing to them and that God will minister to them this year.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for Luke & Liesl Hake and their brother-in-law Joel as they are in Nicaragua until January 9. Pray for safety and that God will bless their efforts to minister to those at the orphanage.
- Pray for the safety of all of the OPC missionaries that are overseas, particularly those who are in areas hostile to the gospel. Pray that these missionaries will find their strength to minister in the Lord.

Serving Today

9:30 am Ushers: Brian Burden, Jon & Caleb Thompson
Greeters: Margie Wright and family
Nursery: Dawn & Brad, Dana Andes, Mary Ann Wright
Chldrn's Ch: No Children's Church
Sound: Rob Sullivan
Truck Rental: Jon Thompson
Load/Unload assist: Brian Burden

11:10 am Nursery: No Sunday School

Serving Next Sunday

9:30 am Ushers: Rick Day, Tom Carson, Bill Wright
Greeters: Daniel & Jenny Wold
Nursery: Ann & Colin Burden, Cynthia Wintermyer
Chldrn's Ch: Jason & Paige Rundell
Sound: Daniel Scoggins
Truck Rental: Tom Carson
Load/Unload assist: Jeff Jernigan

11:10 am Nursery: No Sunday School

This Week at NHPC

Next Sunday

Happy New Year!

Worship services will begin at **10:30 a.m.** instead of 9:30 a.m.

Announcements

Christmas & New Year's Day, Please note the change in schedule....New Hope worship services will begin at 10:30 am on Christmas Day and New Year's Day instead of 9:30 am. Please make a note of this change. Also, there will NOT be any Sunday school these mornings.

Thank you!, Nancy Seiler would like to extend her appreciation to all in the congregation who sent cards, called her, made meals and (especially) prayed for her during the time of her surgery and recovery. She is most grateful for the love that has been extended to her and Jim through this entire time.

Blog for Luke & Liesl Hake, the Hake siblings have created a Prayer Blog for their efforts in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua for needs in the local church, orphanage, and community on an on-going basis. Please consider checking the blog while they are in Nicaragua (December 22-January 9) so that you can know specifically how to pray. The link for their blog is: <http://treasureinjarsofclay2cor47.blogspot.com/>

Yearly Offerings, If you have a monetary contribution you would like to make to New Hope Church that you would like counted toward your 2011 tax deductions, please make sure that your check is in the hands of the treasurer by the 31st of December or, if it is mailed, postmarked by December 31st. Offerings put in the offering plate on January 1, 2012 will be counted toward the 2012 contributions.

Elder and Deacon Nominations, forms for nominating Elders and Deacons are on blue paper on the welcome table. If you are considering nominating someone, please ask them for permission to nominate before doing so.

Women's Retreat, Registration is open for the 2012 Women's Retreat. The retreat will be held on Feb 3-4th and will be at the Rhodes Grove Retreat Center in Chambersburg, PA. The retreat will begin with dinner at 6pm at the center and end on Saturday by 3pm. The price will be \$85 per person and will include three meals, housing, speaker fees and all of the administrative costs. Special food needs and housing requests will need to be sent to Angie Caruso when you register. Registration is available on the back table. If you would like to know more about the speaker, you can go to her website at: <http://www.sharonglasgow.com/>

College & Career Ski Weekend, Reformation Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Morgantown, West Virginia, is pleased to announce our 2012 Winter Ski Weekend, beginning with supper on the evening of Friday, February 17, and ending with lunch following morning worship on Sunday, February 19. We will be skiing all day Saturday at Wisp Resort in the mountains of western Maryland. Please mark your calendars and encourage your young men and women of college or career age to join us for this time of fellowship. A detailed schedule with projected cost is soon to follow.

Hymn — Silent night

Capo 1: Γ B \flat (A) Γ F 7 (E 7) B \flat (A) E \flat (D)

1. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright round yon
 2. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep- herds quake at the sight! Glo - ries
 3. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light ra - diant
 4. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Won - drous star, lend thy light; with the

B \flat (A) E \flat (D) B \flat (A)

vir - gin moth - er and child. Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild,
 stream from heav - en a - far, heav'n - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia;
 beams from thy ho - ly face, with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,
 an - gels let us sing al - le - lu - ia to our King;

F 7 (E 7) B \flat (A) Γ F 7 (E 7) B \flat (A) Γ

sleep in heav - en - ly peace, sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
 Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.
 Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!

Joseph Mohr, 1818
 Tr. ca. 1850

STILLE NACHT Irreg.
 Franz Gruber, 1818