

Grace Community Presbyterian Church
December 24, 2025



Thought for Meditation

Christmas is the moment in time when God stepped out of heaven to save us from our sin. It's the celebration of the moment in time when Jesus Christ came to earth for the purpose of saving humanity from sin. God entered humanity in a unique way. He was in total control of the earthly events surrounding His birth. The divine plan for Christ's arrival was set in motion long before He was born. *Dr. Charles Stanley*

— GATHERING —

PRELUDE

“O Holy Night”

Adam

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH—*Christ's Candle*

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL WORSHIP John 1:1-5

L: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God.

P: Through Him all things were made; Nothing was made without Him.

L: In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

P: The light shines in the darkness, and darkness has not overcome it.

**All: We are here to seek a little light by which we can see,
by which we can live, by which we can love. Amen!**

* HYMN

~O Come, All Ye Faithful~

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FIRST READING

~*Psalm 96:7-13*~

Henry Kedzierski

Anthem

“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”

Chancel Choir

SECOND READING:

~*Titus 2:11-14*~

Terrie Ludwig

*HYMN

~Joy to the World! ~ (v.1,3)

#270

THIRD READING:

~ *Luke 2:1-14* ~

Elsie Deem

*HYMN

~Hark! The Herald Angels Sing~

#277

REFLECTION

“Humble, Yet a King!”

*HYMN ~Go, Tell It on The Mountain~ #258

OFFERTORY "O Bethlehem" Cherwien

* DOXOLOGY #814

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all Creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES: *(responsively) Isaiah 9:2; Genesis 1:1-5*

L: In the beginning and in the midst of darkness, God spoke...

All: Let there be light.

L: We light our candles, celebrating the One whose birth is the source of all light.

All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

L: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

All: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.

L: Go! Share the light of God with a world that longs for light and love.

All: Amen!

*HYMN ~SILENT NIGHT~ #253

— SENDING —

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

May the light of God shine in your hearts

May Christ Jesus bring you hope, joy, peace, and love.

May the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen you and keep you safe

Now, "Go, tell on the Mountains!"

Christ, the Messiah Is born to us today! Amen

POSTLUDE:

“Two German Carols”

Wilson

*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

Welcome to Grace Community Presbyterian Church

Thank you for joining us tonight as we celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We hope to see you again.

