

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR 12-27-2020

- **Call to Worship – Luke 2: 28-32**

- **Song of Adoration – What Child Is This (LUYH 95 vs. 1-3)¹**

Verse 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!

Verse 2

Why Lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you;
hail, hail for Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary!

Verse 3

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, 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.

- **God greets his people**

- **Song – Lord, You Were Rich Beyond All Splendor (LUYH 75 vs. 1-3)²**

Verse 1

Lord, you were rich beyond all splendor, yet for love's sake, became so poor;
leaving your throne in glad surrender, sapphire-paved courts for stable floor.
Lord, you were rich beyond all splendor, yet for love's sake, became so poor.

Verse 2

You are our God beyond all praising, yet for love's sake, became a man;
stooping so low, but sinners raising heavenward by your eternal plan.
You are our God beyond all praising, yet for love's sake, became a man.

Verse 3

Lord, you are love beyond all telling; Savior and King, we worship you.
Emmanuel, within us dwelling, make us and keep us pure and true.
Lord, you are love beyond all telling; Savior and King, we worship you.

- **Prayer of Confession**

- **Assurance of Pardon/God's Law – 1 Peter 2: 21-25**

- **Pastoral Prayer**

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- **Offering** – even though we are not passing the offering plates during our worship service, we still want to remember that the giving of our tithes and offerings is an act of worship to God. We are grateful for all his gifts to us, and we give back a portion of what he has given to us.

- **Sermon**

Sermon Text: Mark 1: 16-20

Sermon Title: “Fishing for the Kingdom”

Series: *Mark*

- **Song of Response – Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes (LUYH 60 vs. 1-4)³**

Verse 1

Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long!

Let every heart prepare a throne, and every voice a song.

Verse 2

He come the prisoners to release, in Satan’s bondage held;

the gates of brass before him burst, the iron fetters yield.

Verse 3

He comes the broken heart to bind, the wounded soul to cure,
and with the treasures of his grace to enrich the humbled poor.

Verse 4

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, your welcome shall proclaim,
and heaven’s eternal arches ring with your beloved name.

- **Benediction**

- **Doxology – Angels, from the Realms of Glory (LUYH 81 vs. 4-5)⁴**

Verse 4

Though an infant now we view him, he will share his Father’s throne,

Gather all the nations to him; every knee shall then bow down:

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King!

Verse 5

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One.

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