

## 8:30am Service

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We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our King in whom we hope.

May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.

O come, O come, Emmanuel!

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# 10:45am Service

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Prelude

Delana Easley, pianist

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✧ **Opening Hymn**    *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (UMH 240)

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*Crown Him with Many Crowns* (UMH 327)

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## Our Offerings to the Work of God

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**Offering of Music**

*Hope Was Born That Night*

NFUMC Choir

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## *The Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not to temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

### *Scripture Reading: Psalm 25:1-10*

- 1 To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- 2 O my God, in You I trust;  
do not let me be put to shame;  
do not let my enemies exult over me.
- 3 Do not let those who wait for You be put to shame;  
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
- 4 Make me to know Your ways, O LORD;  
teach me Your paths.
- 5 Lead me in Your truth, and teach me,  
for You are the God of my salvation;  
for You I wait all day long.
- 6 Be mindful of Your mercy, O LORD, and of Your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.
- 7 Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to Your steadfast love remember me,  
for Your goodness' sake, O LORD!

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- 8 Good and upright is the LORD;  
therefore He instructs sinners in the way.
- 9 He leads the humble in what is right,  
and teaches the humble His way.
- 10 All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,  
for those who keep His covenant and His decrees.

### *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day He rose from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*universal

## *Doxology*

**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.**

### *Gospel Reading: Luke 21:25-36*

<sup>25</sup> “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.

<sup>26</sup> People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup> Then He told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup> as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup> “Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

## *Lyrics*

### **Hark the Herald Angels Sing/King of Heaven**

1 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 angelic hosts proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem;  
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King.

2 Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace, hail the Son of righteousness;  
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings;  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth;  
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King.

#### *Chorus*

King of Heaven, come down; King of Heaven, come now;  
Let Your glory reign, shining like the day;  
King of Heaven, come; King of Heaven, rise up;  
Who can stand against us? You are strong to save,  
In Your mighty name, King of Heaven, come.

3 Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold Him come, offspring of a virgin's womb;  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.  
Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King.

#### *Ending*

King of Heaven, come.  
King of Heaven, come down; King of Heaven, come now;  
Let Your glory reign, shining like the day;  
King of Heaven, come.

## **How Great Is Our God**

1 The Splendor of the King clothed in majesty;  
Let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,  
And trembles at His voice.

### *Chorus*

How great is our God! Sing with me how great is our God,  
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

2 And age to age He stands and time is in His hands;  
Beginning and the End.  
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son, the Lion and the Lamb.

### *Bridge*

Name above all names! Worthy of all praise! My heart will sing how great is our God!

## **O Praise the Name (Anástasis)**

1 I cast my mind to Calvary where Jesus bled and died for me.  
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, my Savior on that cursed tree.

2 His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid Him down in Joseph's tomb,  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.

### *Chorus*

O praise the Name of the Lord, our God. O praise His Name forevermore.  
For endless days we will Your praise, oh Lord, oh Lord, our God.

3 Then on the third, at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again.  
O trampled death, where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King.

4 He shall return in robes of white. The blazing sun shall pierce the night.  
And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

## **The First Noel**

1 The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

### *Chorus*

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

2 They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

3 And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;  
To seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.

4 This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
And there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.

5 Then entered in those Wise Men three, full rev'rently upon their knee;  
And offered there, in His presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

6 Then let us all, with one accord, sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught and with His blood mankind hath bought.

## **Hark! the Herald Angels Sing**

1 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 hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

### *Chorus*

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2 Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold Him come, offspring of a virgin's womb;  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings;  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth;

## **Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

1 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation, hop of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

2 Born Thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne.

## **Crown Him with Many crowns**

1 Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.  
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

2 Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,  
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.  
His glories now we sing, who dies, and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

3 Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end, and round His pierced feet  
Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

4 Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,  
Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
Al hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.