

***Call to Worship: Zechariah 2:10**

Pastor: Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for behold,

Together: I come and I will dwell in your midst, declares the LORD.

***Hymn of Praise # 218 “Angels, from the Realms of Glory”**

***Invocation and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Confession of faith – 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sentence of Sin: James 2:8-10 If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.

Silent Confession of Sin, Prayer for Pardon and Sanctification

Assurance of Pardon: Galations 3:23-26 Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

Hymn of Thanksgiving # 211 “God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings (Doxology)

Children’s Sermon

Prayer of Intercession

The Reading of God’s Word: John 1:1-5, 14

The Preaching of God’s Word: “A Christmas Mystery: The God-Man”

***Hymn of Response # 194 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”**

***Benediction**

***Recessional:** O that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall! We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!