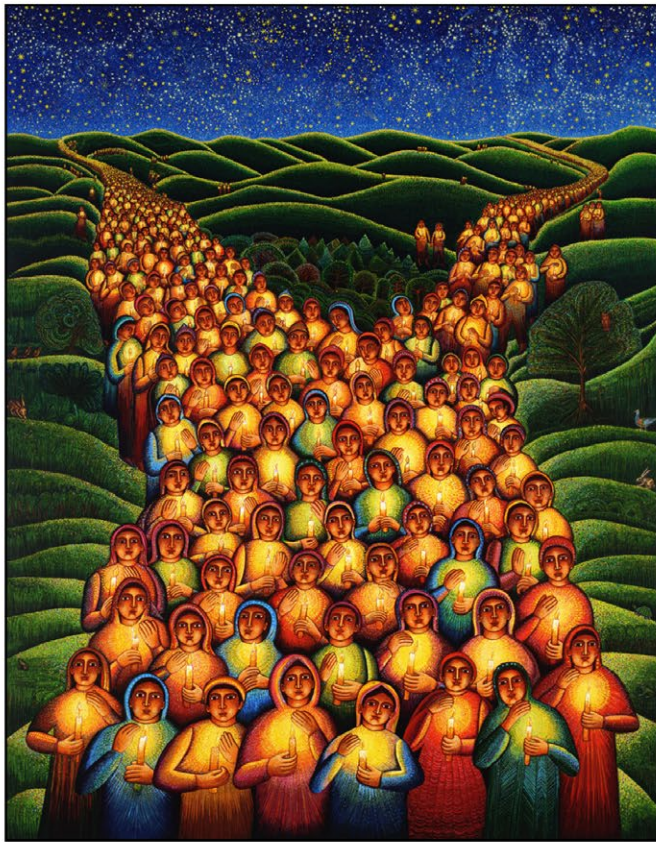


Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)



To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ

Christmas Eve



DECEMBER 24, 2025 | 5:00PM

Christmas Eve: Lessons & Carols

December 24, 2025 | 5:00pm

*Rise, in body or spirit

ALL HYMNS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.

People's Preparation

"What keeps the wild hope of Christmas alive year after year in a world notorious for dashing all hopes is the haunting dream that the child who was born that day may yet be born again even in us." – Frederick Buechner

Prelude

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly
Hudson Handbell Ensemble

Polish Carol, arr. L. Sue

Welcome

Marguerite Serrine

Introit

In the Bleak Midwinter
Sarah Bedini, soprano

G. Holst, arr. S. DeCesare

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Guy Family

Opening Hymn #133*

O Come, All Ye Faithful (vs. 1 & 4)

Opening Prayer

Marguerite Serrine

First Lesson: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Kessler Dickerson

Anthem

All is Well
Chancel Choir

W. Kirkpatrick, M. Smith, arr. Larson

All is well, all is well. Heaven and earth rejoice!
For tonight darkness fell into the dawn of love's light.
Sing A-le, sing Alleluia!

All is well, all is well. Let there be peace on earth.
Sing, for Christ is come, go and tell that he is in the manger.
Sing A-le, sing Alleluia!

All is well, all is well. Lift up your voice and sing.
Born is now Emmanuel. Born is our Lord and Savior.
Sing alleluia! All is well!

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Second Lesson: Luke 2:1-7

Julia Neighbors

Congregational Carol #128

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (vs. 1 & 2)

Third Lesson: Luke 2:8-14

Clara Turnbull

Congregational Carol #143 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory* (vs. 1 & 2)

Invitation to the Offering

Marguerite Sirrine

Offertory

Alleluia! Christ is Born! Nancy Law Rogers, arr. P. Hayden
HMPC Women's Chorus; Andrea Luke, flute

The world was told the story of the coming baby boy,
And when He came into the world, the earth was filled with joy.
The shepherds and the wise men came to see the newborn King,
And angels filled the heavens and the world began to sing, saying,
Alleluia, Christ is born! Alleluia, Christ is born!

The light cast over Bethlehem was from a single star,
And news of His arrival spread to places near and far.
And hope and love and joy abound the coming of our King,
And angels filled the heavens and the world began to sing, saying,
Alleluia, Christ is born! Alleluia, Christ is born!

And though it happened long ago, the news is still the same.
We share the hope of everlasting life in Jesus' name.
The love He brought upon the earth is love that He still brings,
And angels filled the heavens and the world began to sing, saying,
Alleluia, Christ is born! Alleluia, Christ is born!
Alleluia, Christ is born! Alleluia, Christ is born!
Christ, yes, Christ is born!

To make an online offering to HMPC, we invite you to use this QR code:



Congregational Response #145* *What Child is This* (vs. 3)

GREENSLEEVES

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
come, one and all, 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!

Fourth Lesson: Matthew 2:1-11

Birdie Burnsed

Congregational Carol #151 *We Three Kings of Orient Are* (vs. 1 & 2)

Fifth Lesson: John 1:1-5

Marguerite Sirrine

The Candle Lighting

Please stay seated for the lighting of candles. When lighting your candle, it is best that the person with the unlit candle tilt their candles over a lit candle. Parents, please assist your children. When all candles are lit, you will be invited to stand.

Christmas Carol #122*

Silent Night (vs. 1-4)

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
'round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia:
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born!"

Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King:
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

Benediction*

Closing Hymn #134*

Joy to the World (vs. 1 & 2)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

As you exit the Sanctuary, please place your candle in the designated bins by the doors.

❖ Merry Christmas! ❖

Welcome to Hudson - We are delighted you have joined us for worship this evening! If you are a guest, please stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

Worship Notes

Battery-operated candles are available in the narthex for anyone who prefers to use one.

Ushers - Harry Bowles, Kelly Boone, Kessler Dickerson, Sarah Edge, Susan Potter, Keto Komono

Greeters - Roger Howard, Neighbors Family, Parikh Family

Soundboard Operator - Gil Graybill | **Livestream Operator** - Trevor Boone

Blue prayer cards are available in the pew racks. If you are in need of prayer, you may fill out a card and put it in the offering plate.

For those sitting in the chairs at the front of the Sanctuary - Hymnals and Bibles are located under your seat.

Deacon on Call (DOC) for December is Joanna Hulsey. If you are in need of prayer, comfort or assistance, please call the confidential Deacon Prayer line at 919-390-2688.

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The Christmas Joy Offering

God has blessed the Church with incredible leadership, but those leaders can need help themselves. This Special Offering, a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s, provides for Presbyterian church workers in need and furthers leadership development for communities of color. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the PCUSA Assistance Program and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families, helping hundreds to stay in their homes, assisted living, or long-term care or to otherwise meet financial challenges while Presbyterian-related schools and colleges provide education and leadership development and so nurture racial and ethnic heritage, a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years.



You may place your donation in the offering plate (designated to “Joy”), or you can give online by visiting hmpc.org or scanning the QR code to the left.

Poinsettias

Given By:

Lou & Major Bond

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Grandmum Nancy Lee (Appleby Brenner)

Grandmum Nancy Lee (Appleby Brenner)

Debbie Bumgarner

Dottie Burch

Dottie Burch

Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir

Karen & Joseph Cox

Cummins Family

Melinda & Morgan Dickinson

Eichler Family

Families of Hudson

Bill & Marsha Flueckinger

Grace Hutchinson

The Oldenburgs & The Bonds

John Oldenburg & Grace Hutchinson

John Oldenburg & Grace Hutchinson

Papa John & Gigi

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Rich & Lindsey Richards

Glenn & Mary Schindo

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Libbie Toth

In Honor Of:

Charlie, Harry & Christine, Jason, Claire

John Oldenburg & Grace Hutchinson

Brooklyn Lee Malafronte

James William Malafronte

Barbara Loehr-Fox

My children, Graham & Charlotte Burch

My nephews, Chris, Alex & Mason Bass

Hunter Cox

Barbara Loehr-Fox & Winter Fox

The marriage of Kate Gallagher & John-Malcolm Cox

Rich & Lindsey Richards

Linda Measamer

HMPC Women's & Men's Chorus & Hudson Handbells

Cary Dickerson

Greg, Lauren & Langley Flueckinger

Judie Greenawalt

Marguerite and Mark Sirrine

Lou & Major Bond

Chris Hutchinson

Ann Oldenburg, Quinten & Andrew

Harry Bond Family

HMPC Youth

Sarah Grentz

Nancy Schindo

Office staff Lesley Ash Jacobsen, Erica Hairston,
& Hannah Woodcock

Given By:

In Memory Of:

Sandra Acai & Avera Sinnett	Stephanie Acai
Shirley & Richard Blanks	Aubrey Blanks
Nancy Appleby Brenner, Rebecca, Frank, Brooklyn & James Malafronte	James A. Brenner
Brenner Family	Ruth & Robert Brenner
Brenner Family	Susan Brenner Peters
Lou & Major Bond	Major Bond III (Chipper)
Lou & Major Bond	Betty, Wilson, Major Sr. & Dorothy
Lou & Major Bond	Margaret, Harry & Catharine
Debbie Bumgarner	Michael Bumgarner
Dottie Burch	My parents, Bill & Dot Bass
Dottie Burch	My brother, Bret Bass
Bruce & Carol Cox	Robert E. Fleming, Jr
Melinda & Morgan Dickinson	Bob Measamer
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Linda Measamer	Mrs. Vivian Couch & Mr. Cecil Couch
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William Houck	Joyce Houck
Craig & Teri Morris	Our son, Tanner Craig Morris
Tim, Elizabeth, Michael & Benjamin Peeler	Don & Ruth Peeler and Frances Shoup
Rich & Lindsey Richards	R.O. Richards III
Rich & Lindsey Richards	Frederick Moore
Mark & Marguerite Sirrine	Bud & Marge Moore
Mark & Marguerite Sirrine	Merv & Millie Sirrine
Steve & Libbie Toth, Chris Newton	Amy Elizabeth Newton
Carolyn Scott & John Whisler	Our Parents
John & Lisa Williams	Elaine Williams & Alan Williams
John & Lisa Williams	Tommy & Stella Jo Staton

Welcome to Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church!

Our Mission Statement

To Know, Love and Serve God in Jesus Christ.

Our Vision

*We seek to welcome with the love of Christ, trust in the grace of Christ,
and grow with the help of Christ.*

Our Core Values

Worship, Generosity, Service, Nurture, Education & Gratitude.

Upcoming at HMPC

Sunday, December 28 - First Sunday of Christmas

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary - Rev. Jimmy Hulseby will be our guest preacher.

Sunday, January 4 - Epiphany Sunday

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

Sunday, January 25th - Inquirers' Class - Following worship

For those interested in learning more about membership at Hudson.

HMPC Staff

Marguerite Sirrine.....	Transitional Pastor & Head of Staff
Aleta Ash	Minister of Visitation
Hunter Cox.....	Organist
Cary Dickerson.....	Director of Children's Ministry & Staff Liaison to Youth Ministry
Erica Hairston.....	Business Manager
Joyce Hawkins	Assistant Preschool Director
Lesley Ash Jacobsen.....	Communications Manager
Barbara Loehr-Fox.....	Director of Music Ministries
Hope Parangi	Church Hostess
Dorothy Roche	Preschool Director
Hannah Woodcock.....	Administrative Coordinator

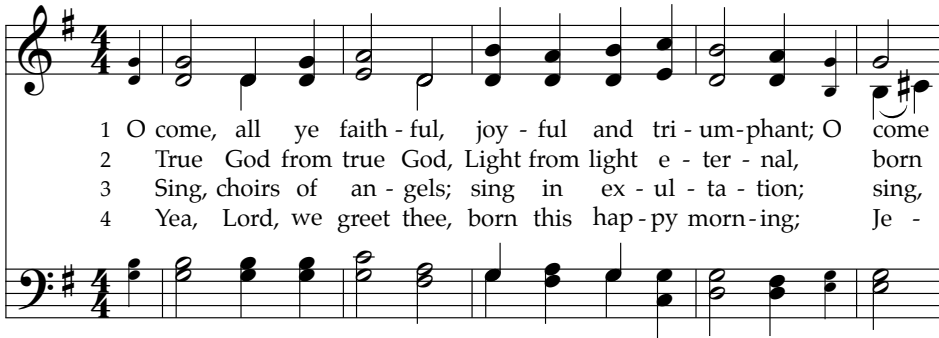


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O Come, All Ye Faithful 133




1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant; O come
 2 True God from true God, Light from light e - ter - nal, born
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels; sing in ex - ul - ta - tion; sing,
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing; Je -



ye; O come ye to Beth - le - hem! Come, and be - hold him,
 of a vir - gin, a mor - tal he comes; ver - y God, be -
 all ye cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove! Glo - ry to God, all
 sus, to thee be all glo - ry given; Word of the Fa - ther,

Refrain




born the King of an - gels!
 got - ten, not cre - at - ed! O come, let us a - dore him; O come, let
 glo - ry in the high - est!
 now in flesh ap - pear - ing!



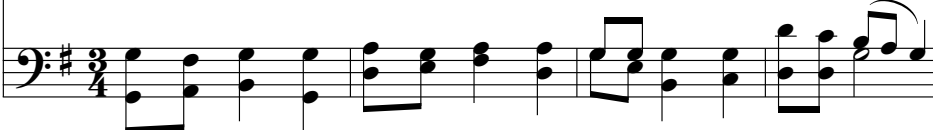

us a - dore him; O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord!

From its Roman Catholic origins, this 18th-century hymn has spread to worldwide use by many denominations in both Latin and vernacular versions. Once popular with a wide range of hymn texts, this tune is now firmly associated with this Christmas text from which it is named.


128 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly




1 In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat-tle stall;
2 Flocks were sleep-ing; shep-herds keep-ing vig-il till the morn-ing new

ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the babe is Lord of all.
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, ti - dings of the gos-pel true.





Swift are wing-ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring-ing, ti-dings bring-ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais-es voic-ing greet the mor - row:



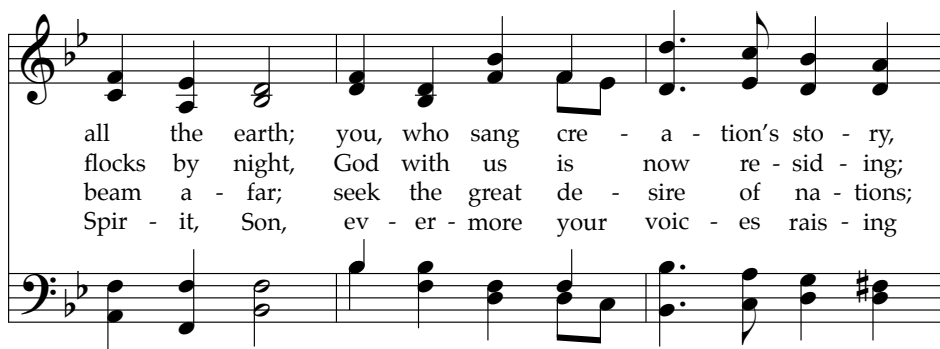

Christ the babe is Lord of all! Christ the babe is Lord of all!
Christ the babe was born for you! Christ the babe was born for you!



143 Angels, from the Realms of Glory



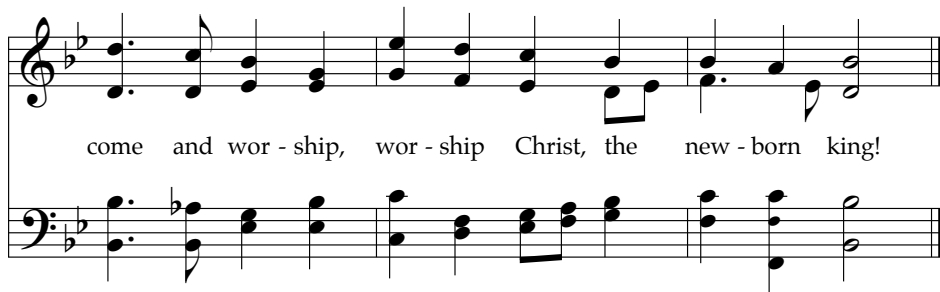
1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er
 2 Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your
 3 Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; bright - er vi - sions
 4 All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,



all the earth; you, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
 flocks by night, God with us is now re - sid - ing;
 beam a - far; seek the great de - sire of na - tions;
 Spir - it, Son, ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing

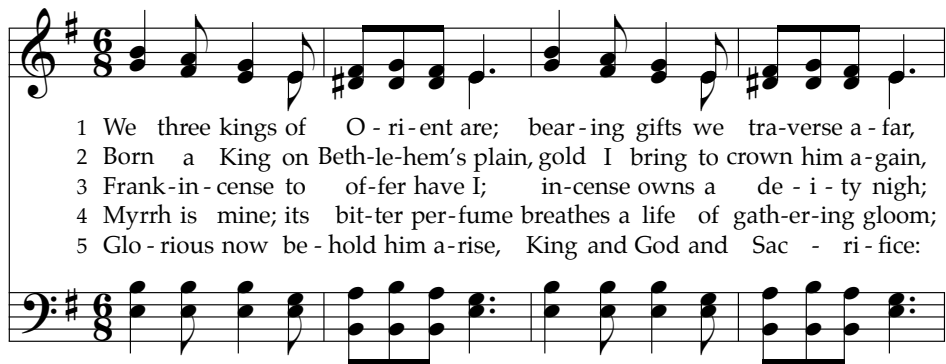


now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 yon - der shines the in - fant light: come and wor - ship,
 you have seen his na - tal star:
 to the e - ter - nal Three in One:

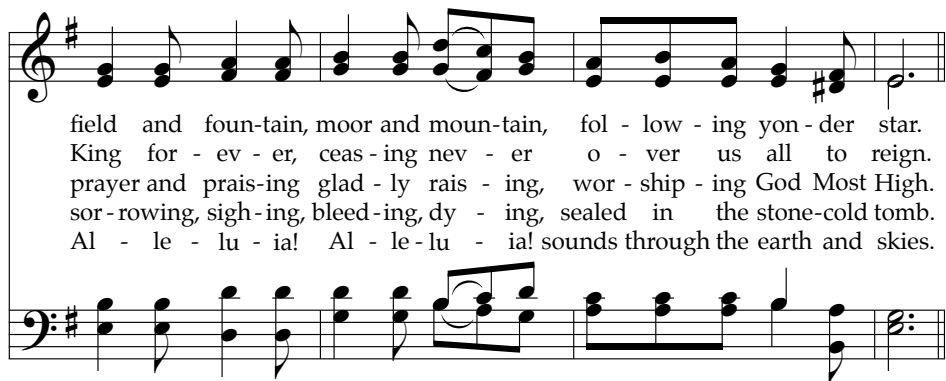


come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born king!

151 We Three Kings of Orient Are



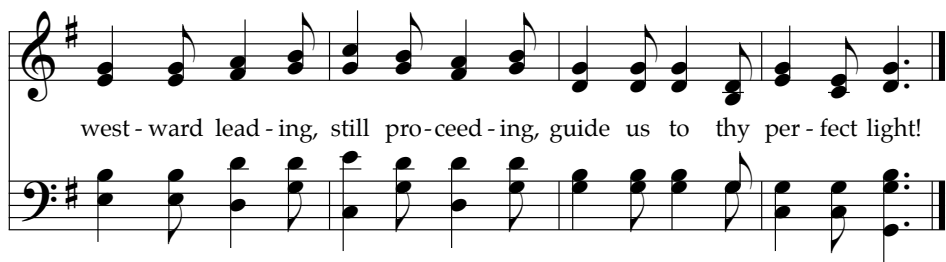
1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,
 2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain,
 3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a de - i - ty night;
 4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom;
 5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice:



field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
 prayer and prais - ing glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.
 sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain


O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!