

College Recognition Sunday  
December 26, 2010

**PRELUDE** "Sing We Now of Christmas" Traditional

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Laura Langley

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** Laura Langley

*Leader: The God of Christmas and The New Year calls us together.*

**People: We come into the presence of the One who created us and makes everything new.**

*Leader: God has not finished with us. There is more that we can be.*

**People: God can make us into something beautiful.**

*Leader: God is doing something new and it is us!*

**People: We give up our old ways to walk in a new path for God for the New Year of 2011.**

*Leader: Into the glorious future of God's reign and a new year of life, our Lord Jesus leads us.*

**People: We follow the Christ into God's New Year. Praise be to Almighty God.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Joy to the World" Chalice Hymnal No. 143

**\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER and GLORIA PATRI** Laura Langley  
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews)

**BLESSING OF THE TOYS** Emma Harms  
Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to Children's Worship & Wonder (An experiential worship experience for children) which meets in our library.

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS & CHRISTMAS OFFERING**  
**Call to Stewardship** Keith Henderson  
**Special Music Offering** "Once In Royal David's City" Gauntlett  
**\*Doxology**  
**Prayer of Dedication** Keith Henderson

**ANTHEM** "Mary Did You Know?"  
George & Judy Dudley

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Andrew Burdette

**HOLY BAPTISM**

Edd Spencer

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Communion Hymn** "Away In A Manger" Chalice Hymnal No. 147  
**Invitation to Communion** Beverly Baxter  
**Prayer of Communion** Jim Baxter

(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed, partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the congregational response.)

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**  
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

**ELDER:** The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."

**COMMUNION MUSIC** "Traditional Polish Carol" Reed

**ELDER:** In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

**CONGREGATION:** As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**SCRIPTURES** Ecclesiastes 1: 8-11; John 13: 34-35 Hannah Harms

**SERMON** "The New Commandment" Hannah Harms

**\* HYMN OF INVITATION** "Go Tell It on the Mountain" Chalice Hymnal No. 167

**\*BENEDICTION** Hannah Harms

**\*POSTLUDE** "Masters in this Hall" Traditional English

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

### **God Bless You**

*We welcome all of our college students to worship this morning. First Christian is blessed with an outstanding group of young adults. Our gratitude is expressed to the following college students leading us in worship this morning:*

*Andrew Burdette  
Emma Harms  
Hannah Harms  
Keith Henderson  
Laura Langley*

### **Please Share Your Commitment**

*If you have not had the opportunity to make your commitment to the church for 2011, commitment cards and privacy envelopes are available in the narthex. Also, if you are able to share a special end of the year gift, please contact Cece this week. Thank you all for sharing your Commitments with the Lord.*

### **Worship Leaders**

*SHARING THE WORD: Hannah Harms  
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher  
ELDERS ON CALL: Jim & Beverly Baxter  
SERVING DIACONATE: Lisa Burdette, Fletcher & Sandy Hamilton,  
Carlton & Tiffany Horne, Scott Jackson,  
Donnette & Katherine Mee, Rebecca Lange,  
Ed Powell, Bob Smith, Corey Tabb,  
Charlie & Jacob Thigpen  
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:  
LESSON: Christmas – Meeting the Christ Child  
STORYTELLER: Joye Taylor  
GREETERS: Susan Hales & Pepper Edwards  
SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen  
WORSHIP GREETERS: Charles & Peggy Daniels*