

College Recognition Sunday
December 27, 2009

PRELUDE "Oh How He Loves You and Me" Kartsonakis

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Hannah Harms

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** Megan Alderson

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

People: *It is a light that shines for all the world.*

Leader: God has increased our joy; He has brought gladness to our hearts.

People: *We rejoice before Him, and praise Him for His mighty deeds.*

Leader: For to us, a child is born.

People: *To us, a Son is given.*

Leader: Glory and power will be upon His shoulders.

People: *And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. We come now to praise His name.*

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "We Three Kings" Chalice Hymnal No. 172

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

Hannah Harms

CHILDREN'S BLESSING Hannah 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 Joel Carpenter

Special Music Offering "Praise Medley" Burger

***Doxology**

Prayer of Dedication Joel Carpenter

ANTHEM "Away In A Manger"
Duet: Libby Carpenter & Steve Pasky

PASTORAL PRAYER Collins Henderson

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn "For the Bread, Which You Have Broken" Chalice Hymnal No. 411

Invitation to Communion Jim Langley

Prayer of Communion Ann Langley

(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 "If You Believe" Schaffer

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 Luke 23: 35-38 (page 1641) Laura Langley
John 3: 5-15 (page 1649-1650)

SERMON "An End is a Beginning" Laura Langley

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

***BENEDICTION** Sarah Alderson & Keith Henderson

***POSTLUDE** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Pillihp

***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:

*Megan Alderson
Sarah Alderson
Joel Carpenter
Hannah Harms
Collins Henderson
Keith Henderson
Laura Langley
Scotty Long*

Please Share Your Commitment

If you have not had the opportunity to make your commitment to the church for 2010, commitment cards and privacy envelopes are available in the narthex. May we all share our financial blessings with the Lord.

Worship Leaders

*SHARING THE WORD: Laura Langley
MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher
ELDERS ON CALL: Jim Langley & Ann Langley
SERVING DIACONATE: Lisa Burdette, Gail Burton, 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: Julie Henderson
GREETERS: Paulette Farquhar & Bud Flora*

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen

****College and Career Gathering at the Spencer's on Sunday, January 3rd 2010
at 6:30 pm**

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Where The Grace of God Awaits You



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