



Community Caroling This Afternoon! Everyone is invited! Meet here at Harbor at 3:00pm! We will carpool to various locations in our community.

Thank you for those who participated in the Mooresville Christian Mission's Angel Tree! Your generosity is much appreciated by the staff & clients in helping make this Christmas special for our community's children.

Christmas Eve Adult Choir Rehearsal TODAY immediately following Sunday School! If you are interested in singing in the adult choir for the Christmas Eve service, please meet for practice in the sanctuary. If you are unable to attend, but still want to participate, contact Lindsay Colvard at (484) 678-6676 or via email at yurkle0@hotmail.com.

Women's NEW Bible Study begins this Tuesday, Dec 6th, starting at 9:30am! We are doing an inductive study using "Judges & Ruth: There is a Redeemer", by Sarah Ivill. We will also meet the following Tuesday, Dec 13th, then break for the holidays and resume our study on Jan 10th. Nursery care is provided! Sign-up sheet is in the lobby. Contact Tracie Aldridge (tracieNC@gmail.com) if you would like a book or need more information.

Youth & Family Ugly Christmas Sweater Party is this Wednesday, Dec 7th, starting at 6:00pm. Games and treats for all ages and a prize for the ugliest sweater! We will be serving Chick-Fil-A chicken nuggets, **RSVP by tomorrow**, Monday, Dec 5th, to Kassandra Larson via phone or text at (704) 299-1582 or email at kassandralarson@gmail.com.

Women's Holiday Open House will take place at the home of Jennifer Amarnath, (18101 Watercraft Place, Cornelius, 28031) on December 13th from 6:00-10:00pm. Join the women of Harbor for a break from the busy holiday season with a time of fellowship and caroling. Punch and desserts will be provided, but feel free to bring a dessert or beverage to share. Contact Jennifer Amarnath (347) 420-3740, Bethany Larson (704) 450-7322 or Kelly McMillan (704) 682-2878 with questions.

Christmas Hymn Sing – Sunday, December 18th, beginning at 11:00am.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service & Holy Communion on Saturday, Dec 24th, beginning at 7:00pm. This is a great opportunity to bring friends or relatives visiting from out of town together for worship as we celebrate our Lord's birth.

Christmas Day Worship Service at 11:00am! Come as you are and join us for our family friendly service.

David & Estelle Abernathy
Wycliffe Bible Translators

Marshall & Amy Childers
Greater Europe Mission, London, England

Tenant & Candi Brastow,
Drew Gustavson
Campus Outreach Charlotte, Davidson College

Ken Cross
Sports Chaplains Network

Sid & Tere Druen
Reformed University Fellowship, Davidson College

Cynthia Ruble
Mission to the World, Nagoya, Japan
Life Hope Network Crisis Pregnancy Center

John & Elizabeth Sexton
Mission to the World, Medical Missions,
West Africa, South America, Canada

Michael & Lindie Wadhams
Mission to the World, Lummi Nation, Washington

Luke Wulsin
Campus Outreach Charlotte, High Point University

Prayer Support

Michael & Amy Parks
Mission to the World, Tanzania, Tanzania

David & Stephanie Reeves
Campus Crusade for Christ, The Jesus Film Project

Pat & Jen Patrick

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Officer of the Day
Today, 12/4: *Todd Ware*
Next Sunday, 12/11: *Ron McMillan*

Congregational Prayers
Clark Moore
Jim Aldridge

Welcoming Team
Today, 12/4: *The McMillan's*
Next Sunday, 12/11: *The Ware's*

Communion Preparation
The Gutmann's
The Hawkes'

Refreshment Set-up
Today, 12/4: *The Dixon's*
Next Sunday, 12/11: *The Brickhouse's*

Nursery
Today, 12/4: **Worship Service:** *Beth Bouts/Addie Aldridge*
Sunday School: *Michelle Atchison*

Next Sunday, 12/11: **Worship Service:** *Bethany/Makenna Larson*
Sunday School: *Toni Alexander*



Congregational Tithes	Actual	Budget	Difference
Last Week 11/27/2016	1,675.80	3,500.00	(1,824.20)
Month to Date 11/27/2016	12,733.53	14,000.00	(1,266.47)
Prior Month Oct 2016	13,982.77	17,500.00	(3,517.23)
Year to Date 11/27/2016	158,661.72	168,000.00	(9,338.28)
Mortgage Relief Fund	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Year to Date 11/27/2016	8,170.00	19,295.21	8,195.16
Faith Promise	Actual	Pledge	Difference
Year to Date 11/27/2016	9,185.00	12,170.00	(2,985.00)

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The Worship of God



December 4, 2016

Harbor's mission is to exist as a family of God's people to glorify God in all things, by preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ crucified, equipping His saints, and engaging our community and the world with the love of Christ.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP: Psalm 98:1-2; Revelation 15:2-4 (selections) (Read Responsively)

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation from Him.

The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.

"Great and amazing are Your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations! All nations will come and worship You, for Your righteous acts have been revealed!"

WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US (PRAYER OF INVOCATION)

(at the close of the prayer, please join us in reciting "The Lord's Prayer" below)

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.

"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL"

Trinity Hymnal #208

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him born the King of angels.

Chorus

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light;
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb:
Very God, begotten, not created. (Chorus)

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God in the highest. (Chorus)

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning:
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing! (Chorus)

WE CONFESS OUR SINS TOGETHER

Eternal God, you do not change. You have revealed yourself to us in your Word. You call us to worship you in spirit and in truth. But we confess that we often worship not your true self but who we wish you to be. We too often ask you to bless what we do rather than seeking to do what you bless. Forgive us for seeking concessions when we should be seeking guidance. Forgive us when our worship shapes you into what we want instead of shaping us into what you want. Help us to meet you here, that we might bow before your unspeakable majesty and so live for you now and ever, in Christ. Amen.

WE CONFESS OUR SINS IN OUR HEARTS (Silently)

GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN: Zephaniah 3:17

¹⁷The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing.

“ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY” *Trinity Hymnal #218*

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Chorus

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds in the fields abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light: *(Chorus)*

Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations; ye have seen His natal star: *(Chorus)*

Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending, in His temple shall appear: *(Chorus)*

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son;
Evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One. *(Chorus)*

WE READ FROM GOD'S WORD: Luke 2:8-20 *The Gallahan Family*

⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!” ¹⁵When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” ¹⁶And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. ¹⁸And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

“HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING”

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 the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb:
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun 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."

Come, Desire of Nations, come, fix in us Thy heav'nly home;
Rise the woman's conqu'ring seed, bruise in us the serpent's head.
Adam's likeness now efface, stamp Thy image in its place;
Second Adam from above, work it in us by Thy love.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION *Mr. Clark Moore*

WE WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(Welcome visitors! Please fill out a blue information card, located in a chair pocket, and place in offering plate)

“LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING” *Trinity Hymnal #221 (vs 1,2,5)*

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung,
Of Jesses's lineage coming, as men of old have sung.
It came, a flow'ret bright, amid the cold of winter,
When half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind;
With Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright she bore to me a Savior,
When halfspent was the night.

O Savior, child of Mary, who felt our human woe;
O Savior, King of glory, who dost our weakness know.
Bring us at length, we pray, to the bright courts of heaven,
And to the endless day.

WE PRAISE GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS (“DOXOLOGY”) *Trinity Hymnal #731*

(after Doxology children may be dismissed to attend optional Children's Church)

SERMON TEXT: Revelation 5:6-14

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you

Trinity Hymnal #203

were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.” ¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!” ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD: *“And so the angels sing...”* *Pastor Michael Colvard*

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER TOGETHER

(wine is in the outer most ring, grape juice is in the inner rings)

“REVELATION SONG”

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; Holy, Holy is He.
Sing a new song to Him who sits, on Heaven's mercy seat.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; Holy, Holy is He.
Sing a new song to Him who sits, on Heaven's mercy seat.

Chorus

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come,
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings,
You are my everything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color,
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder,
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be,
To You the only wise King. *(Chorus)*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,
At the mention of Your name,
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,
Such a marvelous mystery. *(Chorus 2x)*

WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)

POSTLUDE

