

**TRUCKEE LUTHERAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Third Sunday of Advent – December 12, 2021**

♪ **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP - "Like a Child"**

Lorelle Banzett, Susan Horst, Marie Strassburger

**LITURGICAL DANCE - "While We Are Waiting, Come"**

Jamie Wiseman, Marie Strassburger, and Sonya Retzlaff-Huggins, Dancers; Lorelle Banzett, Solo

**WELCOME**

Pastor Jeanie Shaw

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**LIGHTING THE SECOND CANDLE OF ADVENT**

Kathy and Cooper Shaffer

♪ **"Christ Be Our Light"**

**PRAYER**

Holy God of Advent, the hour of your coming again draws near.

**Make us ready: in our hearts, in our minds, in our souls.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, come to us again in this worship.**

**Come and do not tarry.**

\*♪ **GATHERING SONG – "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Holy and loving God, as adults, we often forget the joy and wonder of the Christmas story.

**Forgive us for taking for granted the amazing miracle of the gift of Jesus.**

**Forgive us for being so busy we forget the real meaning of Christmas.**

**Forgive us for the hectic pace of our living that we don't have time for our relationship with you.**

**Renew in us an understanding of the miracle of Christmas.**

**Thank you for our children as they help us discover the real meaning of Christmas.**

**In Jesus Name,**

**Amen.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**MEDITATION – "The REAL Christmas Story"**

*Presented by the children of TLPC!*

Directed by Kathy Manifold and Lori Breuch, written by Jeanie Shaw

**SCRIPTURE**

**Luke 1:46-55** Emma McKenzie

**Luke 1: 42-45** Naomi McKenzie

♪ **SONG IN RESPONSE – "Joy to the World"**

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS AND PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

God of our waiting and watching,

**we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people.**

**Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal,**

**through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace. Amen.**

♪ **SONG OF THANKS – "What Child Is This"**

**\* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please conclude your prayer with "Lord, in your mercy," and all will respond, "Hear our prayer."*

**\* LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\* GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

**♪ COMMUNION SONG – "Away in a Manger"**

**\* PRAYER OF THANKS**

Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.  
**Amen.**

**\* ♪ SENDING SONG – "Go Tell It on the Mountain"**

**PREPARING FOR OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* SENDING**

Go out in peace. Prepare ye the way of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

*We invite you to stand, as you are able, for sections marked with an asterisk \**

This is the Season of Advent and *giving!* We invite all to join us by giving to the ministry of TLPC. Please consider TLPC in your year-end donations. **We thank everyone who generously supports this ministry.** Gifts may be made online through our website at [TLPC.org](http://TLPC.org) or mailed to: **Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church PO Box 10620 Truckee, CA 96162**

Our congregation has a heart for missions: locally, nationally, and in God's world. With your support we give to Sierra Community House (Hunger Relief, Crisis Intervention & Prevention, Family Support & Community Engagement, Mediation & Legal Assistance); North Tahoe-Truckee Homeless Services; Healthy Babies; International Health Partners Tanzania; Hands of Hope Zimbabwe; youth service trips to Nicaragua and Alaska; adult disaster trips locally and around the world; and the responsible, vigorous mission work of the Presbyterian Church USA and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in our nation and world. Additionally, during the pandemic, our congregation has supported local essential workers.

**Thank you to Our Precious Children of TLPC!**

**Mary - Emma Ellis**

**Joseph - Cooper Shaffer**

**Elizabeth - Naomi McKenzie**

**Angel Gabriel - Adie McKenzie**

**Caesar Augustus - Cooper Shaffer**

**Shepherds - Kellan Ellis, Caelum McKenzie, Vinny Benamati**

**Angel in Bethlehem - Bella Ellis**

**Sheep in the manger - Harper Davis**

**Grandmother - Kathy Manifold**

**Guitar - Ryan McKenzie**

**Directed by Kathy Manifold and Lori Breuch**

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**Follow Jesus. Love All. Serve Others.**