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January 3, 2021

Second Sunday of Christmas

10:30 AM

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Son is born, the beloved of God!

P: Through adoption, we too are heirs of all things with Christ.

L: Jesus Christ is the Light, the Light no darkness can overcome.

P: So shall we be a light to the nations!

L: Christ is our hope and salvation.

P: So shall we live to praise God's glory!

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

Go Tell It on the Mountain

The Petersons

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Blessed God, you have called your people to be holy and blameless, yet we admit we are tainted by sin, guilty of succumbing to human will and the desires of the flesh. You have come to your own, yet we have not known you fully. Forgive us, and give us the power to be your children, alive to your truth, responsive to your will. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: The Lord has promised to turn mourning into joy, sorrow into comfort and gladness!

P: Christ has ransomed a world of sinners from enemies too strong for us to resist on our own. We are redeemed through the blood of Christ, according to the riches of grace which God has lavished upon us.

L: Therefore, let your hearts be still, and give thanks to God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into

hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

ANTHEM

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Southern Baptist Seminary Choir

NT LESSON

Luke 2:39-52

SERMON

Letting Go & Growing Up

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

HYMN

Heaven Has Come to Us

Sovereign Grace Worship

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

PRAYERS

PRAYER CONCERNS

Linda Kincheloe
Kay Mader
Martha Wilkerson
Nita Wimer
Earl Flower
Amanda Harris
The Dull Family
Michelle Nuckols

SHUT-INS

Brannock Easley
Tim Clemmer
Earl & Jean Flower - Legacy

BIRTHDAYS

8 Jerry Fry

ANNIVERSARIES

None

IN THE MILITARY

Cole A Smiley, Army - Grandson of Nita & Woodie Wimer
Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice
Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer
Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller
Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.