

**CELEBRATING THE SABBATH**  
**Second Sunday after Christmas**

January 3, 2021 at 10 o'clock



*The Light of God surround you  
The love of God enfold you  
The power of God protect you  
The presence of God  
watch over you.*

Celtic Blessing

PRELUDES

*Das alte Jahr vergangen ist, BWV 1091*  
*"The Old Year Has Passed Away"*

J. S. Bach

SHARING OUR WELCOME VIRTUALLY

WE COME TO WORSHIP

**All: We arise today**

One: In the name of Silence, womb of the Word,  
In the name of stillness, home of belonging,  
In the name of solitude, of the soul and the earth.

**All: We arise today**

One: Blessed by all things, winds of breath.  
Delight of eyes, wonder of whisper,  
Intimacy of touch, eternity of soul,  
Urgency of thought, Miracle of health,  
Embrace of God.

**All: May we live this day**

One: Compassionate of heart, Clear in word,  
Gracious in awareness, courageous in thought,  
Generous in love. Amen.

John O'Donohue

HYMN

ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

[Click here to see hymn](#)

Join as you are able!

**Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
You who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the new-born King.**

**Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear,  
Suddenly the Lord descending, here among us shall appear:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ the newborn King.**

OPENING PRAYER

**You are above us, O God,  
You are within.  
You are in all things  
Yet contained by no thing.  
Teach us to seek you in all that has life  
That we may see you as the Light of life.  
Teach us to search for you in our own depths  
That we may find you in every living soul. Amen.**

John Philip Newell

A MOMENT FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Lauren Dube

SELECTION

*The Wexford Carol*  
Bob Ball, trombone

Irish Traditional

SCRIPTURE LESSON

[John 1:1-18](#)

Wendy Wigglesworth

SERMON

*Wisdom Anchors*

Susan Izard

A TIME OF PRAYER

**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.**

A WORD FROM OUR MISSION PARTNER

Kate Martin, Moms Demand Action

RESPONDING WITH OUR GIFTS

Offertory

*Allein Got in der Höh sei Ehr*  
"All Glory Be to God on High"

Andreas Nikolaus Vetter

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Doxology, Words: Hymnal, No. 47; Tune: Hymnal, No. 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

HYMN

*Sing of God Made Manifest*  
Join as you are able!

[Click here to see hymn](#)

**Sing of God made manifest in a child robust and blest,  
To whose home in Bethlehem where a star had guided them,  
Magi came and gifts unbound, signs mysterious and profound:  
Myrrh and frankincense and gold grave and God and king foretold.**

**Sing of God made manifest when Christ came as wedding guest  
And at Cana gave a sign, turning water into wine;  
Further still was love revealed as he taught, forgave, and healed,  
Bringing light and life to all who would listen to God's call.**

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Postlude on SALZBURG*

Johann Pachelbel