Sermon 'He Transforms' Rev. Mark Simonds

# Presentation of Offering

\*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Dedication of Offering

# Pastoral Prayer and Lord's 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

\*Dismissing Hymn No. 131 'Angels, from the Realms of Glory' (verses 1 & 2)

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response No. 123 'O Come, O Come Emmanuel' (refrain)

**Postlude** 'The First Noel' ~ Traditional English Carol

We're glad you joined us for worship today! We invite you to place your financial tithes and offerings in the box in the back of the sanctuary before or following service. Thank you for placing the Bibles, hymnals and attendance books back on the chairs. Thank you.

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# "Trise! Shine! for thy light is come!" - Isaiah 60:1

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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# December 22, 2024 The Fourth Sunday in Advent

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him. God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him. Your Worship Commission

\*Please stand, if you are able.

Nursery for children infant to 4 yrs. old is available upstairs in the Christian Education Wing (please see Usher for directions)

### Meditation

"The Advent season is a season of waiting, but our whole life is an Advent season, that is, a season of waiting for the last Advent, for the time when there will be a new heaven and a new earth."

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer

### Westminster Chimes and Announcements

**Opening Prayer** 

Prelude 'One Small Child' ~ Mercedes

The Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle

Margretta Kerr, Karen Woodeshick, Anne Schotsch

\*Call to Worship

Brian O'Roark, Lay Assistant

*Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.* 

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us and we are his

People: we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give

thanks to him and praise his name

People: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

\*Hymn No. 137

'What Child Is This?'

\*Praise Songs

'King of Kings' 'What A Beautiful Name'

# Call to Confession

# **Prayer of Confession** (In unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen. . . (silent prayers of confession)

# Assurance of Pardon

### \*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

### \* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's 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.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 65:17-25

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 Leader: The Word of the Lord ~

People: Thanks be to God ~

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