



Westminster Presbyterian Church

December 28, 2025 10:00 a.m.

The Fourth Day of Christmas

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

All: Alleluia! Christ is born!

One: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness,
on them light has shined.

All: Alleluia! Christ is born!

One: For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.
And the government shall be upon his shoulder;
and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

All: Alleluia! Christ is born!

◆ CAROLS OF PRAISE

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest ye merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day;
To save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

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From God our heav'nly Father a blessed angel came;
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

Now to the Lord sing praises all you within this place,
And with true love and charity each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas all others doth deface.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

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 in flesh with us 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 we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

◆ PASSING THE PEACE

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

(Children may return to their seats: No children's church today)

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

MEDITATION

◆ CAROL

What Child Is This

What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet; while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary!

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Why lies he in such mean estate; where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here; the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail, the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary!

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, one and all, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high. The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!

◆ MORNING PRAYER AND THE 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

◆ DEPARTING CAROL Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain; that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching; o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens; there shone a holy light. (Refrain)

The shepherds feared and trembled; when lo! above the earth
rang out the angel chorus; that hailed our Savior's birth. (Refrain)

Down in a lowly manger; the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation; that blessed Christmas morn. (Refrain)

◆ BLESSING AND RESPONSE

We all sing: Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

◆ POSTLUDE

◆ *Please stand, if able*

*The rosebud in the sanctuary is given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth
of Christopher Mills Vosburgh, born December 19, 2025 to parents Justin and Kat Vosburgh.
Bob and Sheryl Crosland are proud grandparents.*



Merry Christmas, and Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian!

We are so glad you're here. If you are visiting Westminster today, we hope you feel at home and that you'll be strengthened in your faith. Above all, we pray that the Lord will be honored as we worship Him, hear His Word, and respond in discipleship. **Next Sunday, January 4, start the year right by coming to worship.** Westminster will have a single worship service with communion at 10:00. No Sunday School or Children's/Wee Church. Nursery will be provided.