

Welcome to Covenant Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning.

Thank you for joining us and may you experience

God's blessing in our worship.

The Lord's Day

December 24, 2023

♦Call to Worship:

Leader The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light!

People Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined!

Leader Jesus Christ is our life and light. In his name and in his strength, let us worship God!

♦Prayer for God's Blessing

♦Hymn of Adoration: #319 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Call to Confession: Mark 2:17

Jesus to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

♦ Hymn of Praise: #311 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Congregational Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Hymn of Preparation: #317 "What Child Is This"

♦Scripture

~ Old Testament: Isaiah 9:6-7 ~ New Testament: Luke 2:1-20

Sermon: "God with the Dismissed"

♦Responsive Reading

— from Zechariah's Prophecy

Leader Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come and has

redeemed his people.

People He has raised up a horn of salvation for us (as he said through his holy prophets of long ago), salvation from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us—

Leader to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, the oath he swore to our father Abraham:

People to rescue us from the hand of our enemies, and to enable us to serve him without fear in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

♦Hymn of Response: #308 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

♦Benediction

Isaiah 9:2

Doxology: #571

"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, amen.

[♦]Please stand if you are able