

The People of Washington Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) gathered for the

## Worship of God

December 29, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.: First Sunday After Christmas

Chiming the Hour

Mr. Evan Collins

Greeting

Prelude

Ms. Susan Mathes

The Lord is with you. And with you also.

We pass the friendship register as a way of welcoming one another to this time of sacred worship.

Call to Worship

Ms. Mathes

Lift up your hearts...

We lift them to the Lord!

Mr. Collins

## Meditation of Preparation

"What we call the beginning is often the end / And to make and end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from."

--T. S. Eliot, Little Gidding

\*Hymn of Praise 164

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

\*Invocation

Ms. Lisa Ward

Hymn of Prayer 147

Away in a Manger

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Prayers of the People

God of Christmastide... Make us new.

Mr. Brad Thimke

The Lord's Prayer

ΑII 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.

Congregational Response 317

Amen

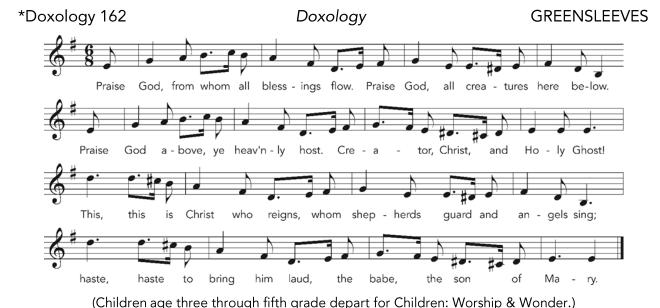
**AMEN** 

Offering of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Gifts Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC. Ms. Ward

Anthem

A Joyful Noel

**Chancel Choir** 



The Children's Moment Ms. Debbie Walker (Children age three through fifth grade depart for Children: Worship & Wonder afterwards.) The Reading Mr. Thimke Hebrews 2:10-18 For the Word of God in its promise and covenant... Thanks be to God. Sermon Out with the Old; In with the New Mr. Thimke Discipline of Silence "What the caterpillar calls the end the rest of the world calls a butterfly." --Lao Tzu **BOYLSTON** Hymn of Communion 404 A Hymn of Joy We Sing Invitation to Commune Mr. Thimke The Elder's Prayer Ms. Mathes The Words of Institution Mr. Thimke Please come forward to share in Communion. Partake by breaking off a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. (The bread is gluten-free.) If you are unable to come forward, someone will come to you. Invitation to Discipleship Ms. Mathes GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN \*Hymn of Discipleship 167 Go Tell It on the Mountain Affirmation of Responses 341 Mr. Thimke Pastoral Benediction and Charge Mr. Thimke

Mr. Collins

We Go to Love and Serve from Our Doorsteps to the Ends of the Earth

And all the people said... **AMEN!** 

Postlude

<sup>\*</sup>The people may rise in body and spirit as able.

## **CALENDAR**

Today, 12/29: 10:45 a.m. - Sunday school Pajama-rama

Today's image is Henry Ossawa Tanner's Flight into Egypt which is on display at the Allen Art Museum in Oberlin, Ohio.