

# Order of Worship for Second Sunday After Christmas

January 3, 2021, 9:30 am

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## Prelude

*God Is Alive* by Fee  
with the OnCenter band

## Verse 1

Let the darkness flee, it's got no power over me.  
I have been set free. God is alive.

## Verse 2

And death, where is your sting? Sin has got no hold on me.  
I am free indeed. God is alive.  
We've been redeemed. So, rise and sing.

## Chorus

Ev'ryone glorify the risen Son.  
The holy One has overcome. Jesus is alive!  
The enemy is broken underneath his feet.  
Death is crushed in victory.  
Jesus is alive! Jesus is alive!

## Verse 3

Let us wake and rise: lift your voices, lift your eyes.  
We're gonna shout, we're gonna shake the skies,  
We've been redeemed. So, rise and sing.

## Chorus

## Bridge

The empty grave is singing now, it's shouting out,

He is alive, he is alive, we are free.  
The empty grave is singing now, it's shouting out,  
He is alive, he is alive, we are free.  
We've been redeemed. So, rise and sing.

## Chorus

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## Welcome

with Pastor Hannah, Lead Pastor

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## Opening Song

*We Three Kings*, UMH 254  
with Marty Matutis, Cantor

## Verse 1

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

## Chorus

O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

## Verse 2

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

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## Chorus

### Verse 3

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, voices raising, worshiping God on high.

## Chorus

### Verse 4

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

## Chorus

### Verse 5

Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies.

## Chorus

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### Opening Prayer

with Pastor Hannah

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### Passing of the Peace

with Betsy Roche

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## Song

*Big House* by Audio Adrenaline  
with the OnCenter Band

Come and go with me to my Father's house [x2]  
It's a big, big house with lots and lots of room  
A big, big table with lots and lots of food  
A big, big yard where we can play football  
It's a big, big house, it's my Father's....house!

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## Time for young Disciples

with Beth Hagemeyer

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## Scripture

Luke 2:21-39  
with Jeff Haake

<sup>21</sup> After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

<sup>22</sup> When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), <sup>24</sup> and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

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<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup> "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

<sup>33</sup> And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup> so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

<sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> then as a widow to the age of eighty-four.

She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup> At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup> When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.

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## Introduction of George Groves

with Pastor Hannah

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## Sermon

*Epiphany*

with George Groves, President

Northern Illinois Conference United Methodist Men

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## Song

*You Are Life* by Hillsong

with the OnCenter Band

## Verse 1

You have come and we have found life everlasting.

Now alive to know your freedom never ending.

You alone have made a way for us.

In your love, You are life.

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## Chorus 1

I'm living in the light of my savior,  
dancing in the arms of forever.  
I'm singing like I'm walking on water.  
You are life, alive in me.

## Verse 2

From grayest skies to living color, you have called us.  
In your life, your light uncovered, the world to see now.  
You alone have made a way for us.  
In your love, you are life.

## Chorus 1

## Chorus 2

I give my life to follow  
'cause your love is all I want now.  
You are life, you are life, alive in me.

## Bridge

For all the world to find your love.  
For all the world to see that you are God.  
Forever be lifted high.  
The One who holds the universe and ev'ry beating heart.  
across the earth. Jesus be lifted high. You are life

## Chorus 1

## Chorus 2

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## Pastoral Prayer

with Pastor Hannah

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## The Lord's Prayer

with Sheila Rossi

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

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## Offering Invitation & Prayer

with Ann Steele

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## Offertory

*Adagio from Toccata in C, BWV 564*  
by Johann Sebastian Bach, arranged Ferruccio Busoni  
with Chris Garofalo, Director of Music Ministry

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## Announcements

with Pastor Hannah

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## Closing Song

*There's a Song in the Air*, UMH 249  
with Marty Matutis, Cantor

### Verse 1

There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky!  
There's a mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry!  
And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing,  
for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

### Verse 2

There's a tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth,  
for the virgin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth.  
Ay! the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing,  
for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

### Verse 3

In the light of that star lie the ages impearled;  
and that song from afar has swept over the world.  
Every hearth is aflame, and the beautiful sing  
in the homes of the nations that Jesus is King!

### Verse 4

We rejoice in the light, and we echo the song  
that comes down through the night from the heavenly throng.  
Ay! we shout to the lovely evangel they bring,  
and we greet in his cradle our Savior and King!

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## Blessing

with Pastor Hannah

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## Postlude

*Adagio from Concerto in D minor, BWV 974*  
by Johann Sebastian Bach  
with Chris Garofalo, Director of Music Ministry