



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 8, 2023

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”
Choralvorspiel von Max Drischner, 1915

Philipp Nicolai

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Click [HERE](#) to register your attendance

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

MOMENT FOR CPC

Centennial Celebrations

Susan Herman

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Allison Cagley

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

People: The brightness of God's light shines upon all the nations. All are welcomed to the brightness of God's dawn.

Leader: God gathers us from far away and carries us. With radiant eyes, with rejoicing hearts, we receive the abundance God gives.

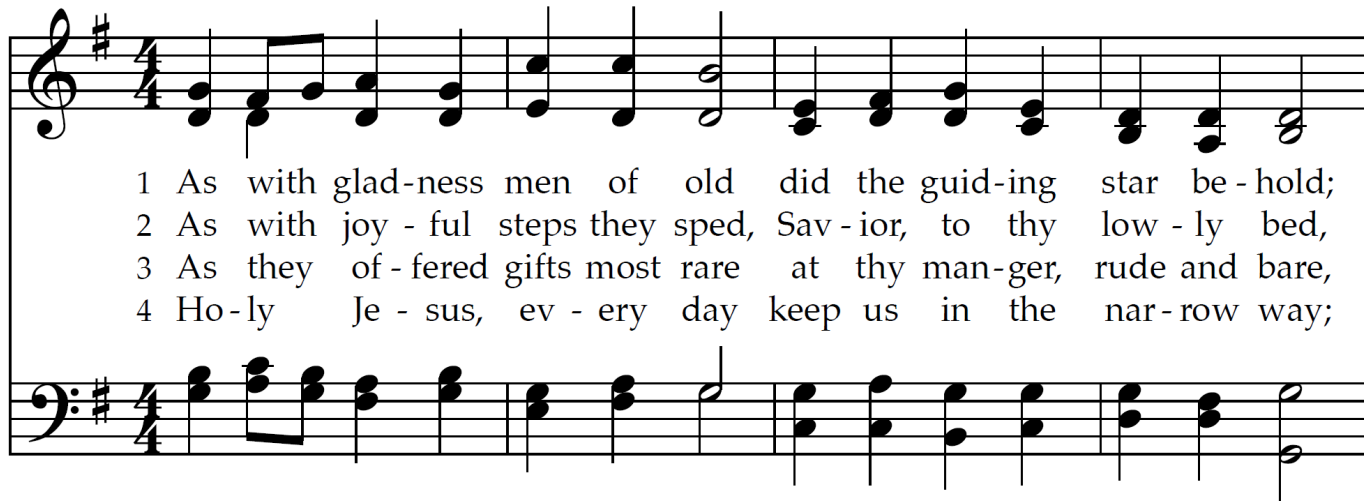
People: We respond in praise. With our gifts, with our very selves, we worship God.

* OPENING SONG

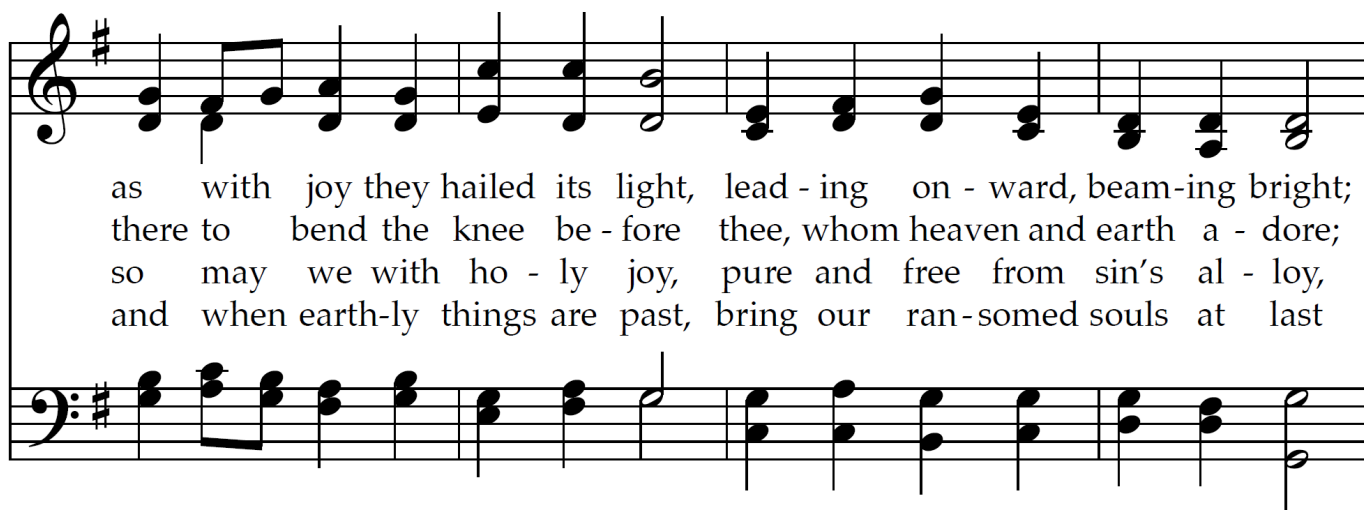
“As with Gladness Men of Old”

No. 150
Glory to God

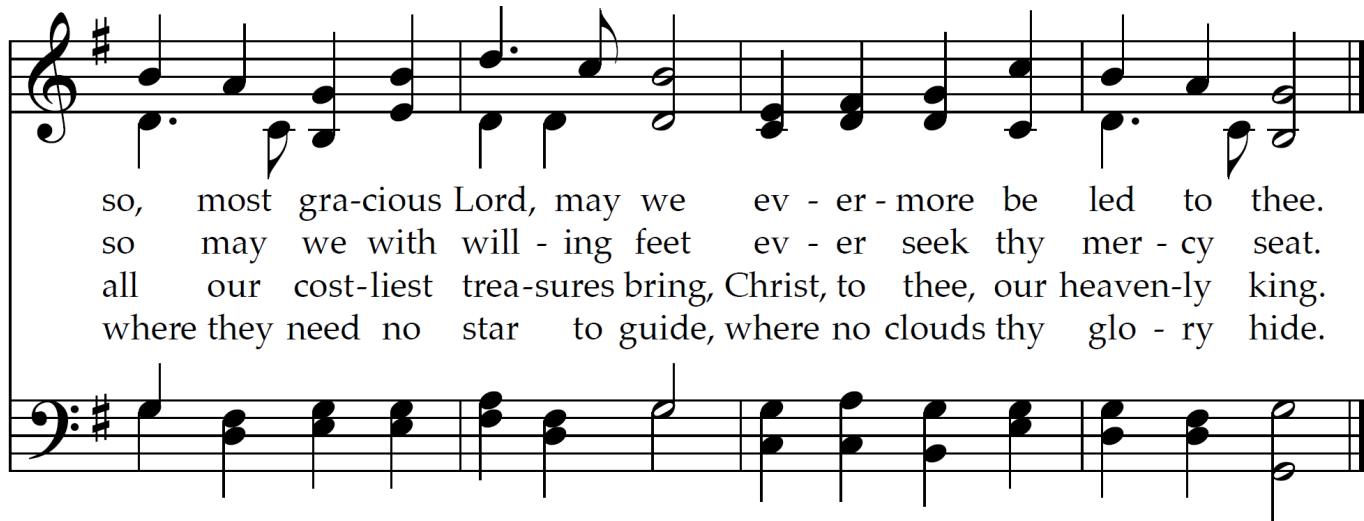
As with Gladness Men of Old 150



1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be-hold;
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to thy low-ly bed,
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare at thy man-ger, rude and bare,
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-ery day keep us in the nar-row way;



as with joy they hailed its light, lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
there to bend the knee be-fore thee, whom heaven and earth a-dore;
so may we with ho-ly joy, pure and free from sin's al-loy,
and when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last



so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev-er-more be led to thee.
so may we with will-ing feet ev-er seek thy mer-cy seat.
all our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav-en-ly king.
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo-ry hide.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Allison Cagley

Leader: The Gospel of John tell us the basis for our judgment is this: "The light came into the world, and people loved darkness more than the light, for their actions are evil." We confess our sins to God, to whom we have access through faith in Christ. We come in boldness and confidence, not according to our merit, but according to God's grace.

All: God of justice, we confess that our actions are evil whenever we remain passive while others are oppressed; whenever we guard our own prosperity at the expense of those who are poor; or when we ignore the cries of those in need of help. Forgive us, we pray, for hiding in the darkness of this world more than loving the light of your righteousness made known to us in Jesus Christ. Judge us with mercy, we pray, and extend your grace to us. Strengthen our faithfulness to you and to all who are precious in your sight. We pray in the name of Christ, our Light. Amen.

Silence

Leader: Friends, God is for us and not against us. For that very reason God sent the Son into the world – not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. We declare the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free to live a new life in him.

* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

"Gloria Patri"

Traditional

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.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

*(Following the Time for Young People, children age 4-5th grade
are invited to Sunday School in Room 206)*

ANTHEM

"Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Noel Regney & Gloria Shayne

Sanctuary Choir & Praise Band

arr. Harry Simeone

Said the night wind to the little lamb,
"Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky little lamb?"
A star, a star, dancing in the night with a tail as big as a kite
Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,
"Do you hear what I hear? Ringing thru the sky shepherd boy?"
A song, a song, high above the tree, with a voice as big as the sea
Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,
"Do you know what I know? In your palace warm, mighty king?"
A child a child shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver & gold
Said the king to the people everywhere,
"Listen to what I say! Pray for peace people everywhere!
Listen to what I say! The child, the child sleeping in the night:
He will bring us goodness and light"

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2:1-12

^{2:1}In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

SERMON

The Eye of the Storm

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

* SONG

"Way Maker"

Okoro

You are here, moving in our midst. I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, working in this place. I worship You, I worship You.

You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper,
Light in the darkness. My God, that is who You are.
You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper,
Light in the darkness. My God, that is who You are.

You are here, touching every heart. I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, healing every heart. I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, turning lives around. I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, mending every heart. I worship You, I worship You.

You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper,
Light in the darkness. My God, that is who You are.
You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper,
Light in the darkness. My God, that is who You are.

That is who You are, that is who You are, that is who You are, that is who You are
That is who You are, that is who You are, that is who You are, that is who You are
Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working.
You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop, You never stop working.

OFFERING & PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

* CLOSING SONG

"Jesus"

Tomlin & Cash

There is a truth older than the ages
 There is a promise of things yet to come
 There is One born for our salvation: Jesus
 There is light that overwhelms the darkness
 There is kingdom that forever reigns
 There is freedom from the chains that bind us: Jesus
 Who walks on the waters, who speaks to the sea
 Who stands in the fire beside me.
 He roars like a Lion, He bled as the Lamb,
 He carries my healing in His hands: Jesus
 There is a name I call in times of trouble.
 There is a song that comforts in the night
 There is a voice that calms the storm that rages. He is Jesus, Jesus.
 Messiah, my Savior, there is power in Your name
 You're my Rock and my Redeemer
 There is power in Your name, in Your name
 You walk on the water, You speak to the sea, You stand in the fire beside me
 You roar like a Lion, You bled as the Lamb
 You carry my healing in Your hands
 Jesus, there is no one like you, Jesus. There is no one like You

* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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