

*HYMN 23

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

ANTIPHON

O Ruler of the nations, Monarch for whom the people long, you are the Cornerstone uniting all humanity: Come, save us all, whom you formed out of clay.

Come, Lord Jesus.

EIGHTH LESSON

Matthew 2:1-11

Magi from the East come seeking the Messiah and offer gifts to the baby Jesus.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Star Child”

Maggie Dunavent, Solo

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

As a sign of your commitment, please bring your pledge card and offering forward, if able, to the Communion Table.

NINTH LESSON

John 1:1-14

The Word of God becomes flesh and lives among us, full of grace and truth.

*HYMN 40

“Joy to the World!”

ANTIPHON

O Immanuel, our Sovereign and Lawgiver, desire of the nations and Savior of all: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

Come, Lord Jesus.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN 29

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Go Tell It on the Mountain”

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.

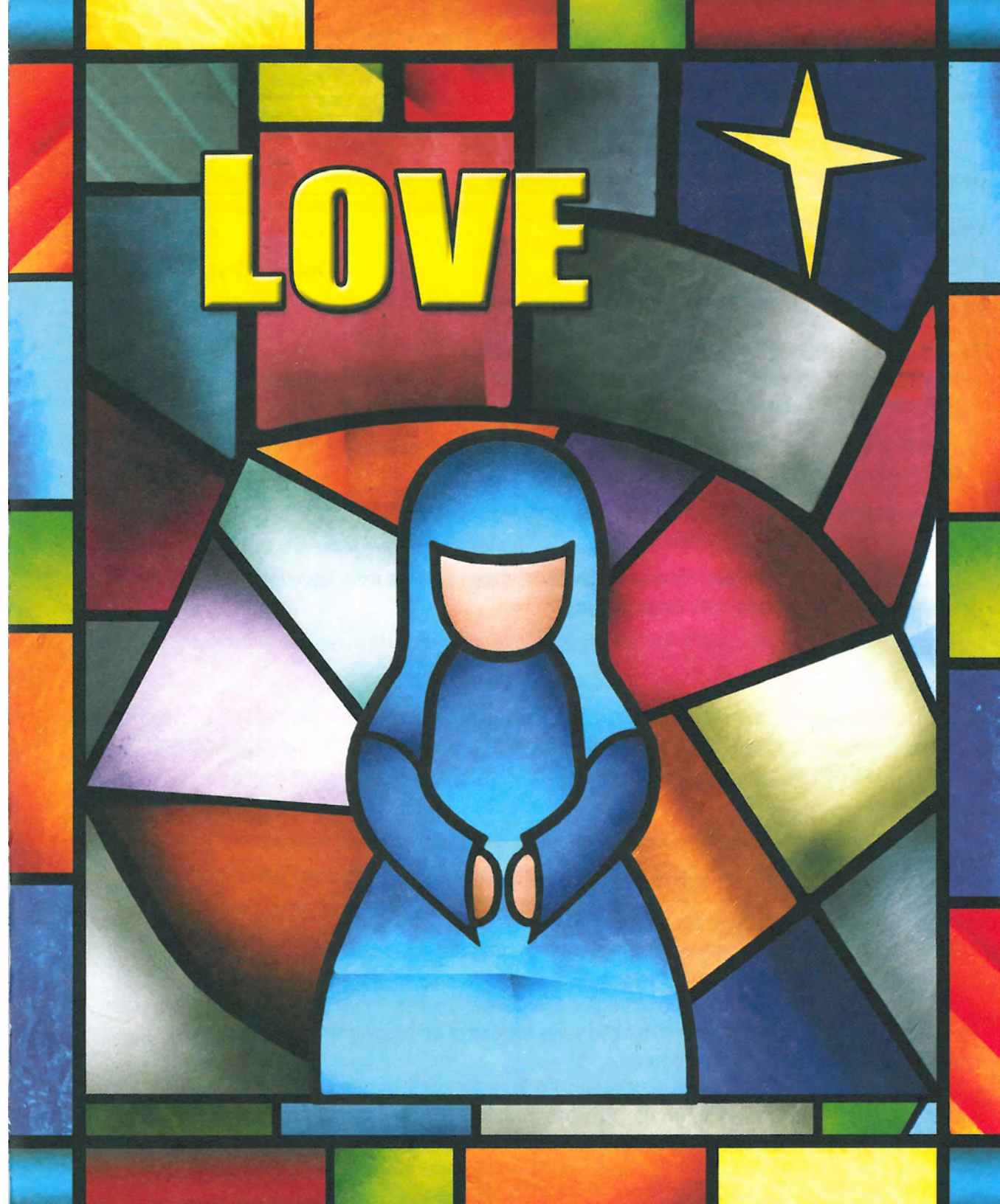
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!



We are glad you chose to worship with us this morning. If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to consider the Collierville Presbyterian family. If you have any questions or want to know more about membership you may let us know through the fellowship pad, or by contacting the pastor or another elder.

Collierville Presbyterian Church • Presbyterian Church (USA)

Rev. Mark Wright, Pastor • Renée Murray, Accompanist



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY • 10:30 A.M.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT • DECEMBER 18, 2016

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 49 (vs. 1, 2, 4)

"Once in Royal David's City"

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

CPC Junior & Senior High

*CANDLE LIGHTING RESPONSE **"He Came Down"**

He came down that we may have hope, he came down that we may have hope; he came down that we may have hope; hallelujah forevermore.

He came down that we may have peace, he came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace; hallelujah forevermore.

He came down that we may have joy, he came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy; hallelujah forevermore.

He came down that we may have love, he came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love; hallelujah forevermore.

PRAYER

ANTIPHON

O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation, you order all things with strength and gentleness: Come now and teach us the way to salvation.

Come, Lord Jesus.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

Adam and Eve disobey God's command and disrupt the order and goodness of creation.

CAROL

"Remember, O Thou Man"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*In Unison*)

Leader: For all the times and all the ways we have resisted your rule in our lives,

All: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Leader: For seeking our salvation through lesser things; for standing in the pride of our own power; for insisting on our own tired, broken ways instead of embracing your life-giving way;

All: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Leader: For our narrow vision of your expansive love; for our stinginess with your extravagant grace;

All: Lord, have mercy upon us. Free us from sin, loving God. Lead us in the new life you give us that we may follow in the way of Jesus Christ.

SECOND LESSON

Genesis 22:15-18

God promises that, through Abraham, all the peoples of the world will be blessed.

CAROL

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

ANTIPHON

O Adonai, Ruler of the house of Israel, you appeared in the burning bush to Moses and gave him the law of Sinai: Come with outstretched arm to save us.

Come, Lord Jesus.

THIRD LESSON

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

The people who walk in darkness receive the promise of the Messiah.

*HYMN 38

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

FOURTH LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9

The Messiah will come from the root of Jesse to restore the peace of creation.

CAROL

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

ANTIPHON

O Root of Jesse, rising as a sign for all the peoples, before you earthly rulers will keep silent, and nations give you honor: Come quickly to deliver us.

Come, Lord Jesus.

FIFTH LESSON

Luke 1:26-35, 38

An angel appears to Mary and announces that she will bear a holy child.

*HYMN 31

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

ANTIPHON

O Key of David, Scepter over the house of Israel, you open and no one can close, you close and no one can open: Come to set free the prisoners who live in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Come, Lord Jesus.

SIXTH LESSON

Luke 2:1-7

Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem, where Mary gives birth to her child.

CAROL

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

ANTIPHON

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, Sun of justice: Come, shine on those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Come, Lord Jesus.

SEVENTH LESSON

Luke 2:8-16

Angels appear to shepherds in the fields and announce the birth of the Messiah.

**Those who are able, please stand.*