First Sunday after Christmas
Worship for the Lord’s Day
January 1, 2023
9:30 am

Prelude       
*Sweet Little Jesus Boy       
arr. Melody Bober

Words of Welcome
Rev. Susan Tindall

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Opening Words
Robin Randall

One: Praise the Christ-child, the newborn Prince of Peace!
All: We have been redeemed. We are no longer afraid.
One: Praise to the God who has come to us in the flesh!
All: We are being created. We are no longer afraid.
One: Praise to the Spirit who calls us together to serve!
All: We will be sustained. We are no longer afraid.
One: Come, let us worship God!

*Hymn 150  
As with Gladness Men of Old  
DIX

Call to Confession
Robin

One: As we reach the end of one year and prepare to greet a new one, let us confess the ways we have fallen short of God’s commandments.
Prayer of Confession

All: Giver of Every Mercy, you call us to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. However, we often clothe ourselves with different attire: apathy, hatred, arrogance, and brashness. Help us to bear one another and forgive each other, even as we ask forgiveness from you. Help us to don the clothing of love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. This we pray in the name of your Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Siblings in Christ, hear now the good news of the Gospel: through the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

*Sung Response 583

Glory to God

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another, let us share the peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

*Sung Response

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

A Time with Youngest Children

Prayer for Inspiration

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 63:7-9

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:13-23

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!
Sermon
The Aftermath
Rev. Susan Tindall

*Hymn 154
Jesus Entered Egypt
KING'S WESTON

Offering Our Gifts to God
Invitation to Offering
Offertory
Procession on “We Three Kings”
arr. John Barr

*Doxology words 607, tune 606
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD HUNDREDTH
Robin

Prayer of Dedication

Church Tidings
Susan

Joys and Concerns

God’s People Pray

Lord’s Prayer (using “sins”)
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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin 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.

*Hymn 159 v. 1, 2
O Sing a Song of Bethlehem
KINGSFOLD

*Charge and Blessing
Susan

*Postlude
O, How Joyfully!
arr. Cindy Berry

* Please rise in spirit or body
All speak emboldened type

LITURGIST: Robin Randall
CANTOR: Pat Garner
ONLINE HOST: Barb Coop
Next Sunday in Worship
Baptism of the Lord
January 8, 2023

Claimed
Isaiah 42:1-9
Matthew 3:13-17

COVID PROTOCOL UPDATE
DuPage County (and all of the Chicago metro area) is in the High Community Transmission level. **Those at high risk of getting very sick are encouraged to consider participating in worship and meetings remotely or wear a well-fitting mask if attending in person.** The normal CDC guidance of vaccination, ventilation, and vigilance continue.

ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, we will welcome CHAI Collaborative Ensemble, a Chicago-based collective engaging with communities through performances of mixed vocal and instrumental chamber music. The ensemble offers beloved classics in the chamber music canon alongside underperformed works from the past and present. Expect to be inspired by the experience!
This week at CPC:

Sunday, January 1
9:30 am — Worship
No Sunday School for children or adults

Monday, January 2
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 3
No Staff Meeting
7:00 pm — House & Grounds; Chapel
7:00 pm — Stephen Ministers; Zoom

Wednesday, January 4
7:00 pm — Chancel Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary

Thursday, January 5
9:00 am — Thursday Morning Devotions; Chapel
1:00 pm — Worship & Music; Chapel
7:00 pm — Clarion Bell Ensemble rehearsal; LL8
7:00 pm — The Amos Group; Zoom

Friday, January 6

Saturday, January 7

Sunday, January 8
Communion
9:30 am — Worship
9:45 am — Sunday School; LL6
10:45 am — Adult Ed; Chapel / Hybrid

NURSERY CARE
There will not be volunteers staffing the nursery for the first Sunday in January. We will resume staffed care on the first Sunday in February. You are welcome to utilize the room with your infant - 2 yr old as needed. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
*kids 3 yrs - 5th grade
Sunday School is on break. We look forward to welcoming you back on January 8.

CPC YOUTH ON SUNDAY NIGHTS RESUMES NEXT WEEK!
5-7 p.m.
CPC Youth Activities resume on January 8th! Our high school students will be discovering their spiritual gifts and how they might apply them in their daily lives. Our middle school students will be working on a project for local pet shelters. Dinner is included so come on by at 5pm! If you would like to be connected to youth ministry, please contact Pastor Susan.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION
10:45-11:45 am
Hybrid: Chapel or Zoom

On January 8, we will begin a four-session study of Second Temple Literature, led by Dr. Malka Simkovich. Dr. Simkovich is Director of Catholic-Jewish Studies at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Last year, she led us in an introduction to early Judaism. This year, the topic will be focused on the Second Temple period which could be considered the most important for Jewish history. Jews worked out how to survive destruction and exile, helping to ensure their survival when they no longer lived in one region. The course will take us through some of the intertestamental books (also known as the Apocrypha). Please join us on this journey. We will meet on Sunday mornings in the chapel or online via Zoom.
BIBLE GIFT
3rd, 4th & 5th Graders!
Bible Gift Sunday; January 8 @ 9:30 AM / Bible Class; January 15, 22, 29 & February 5 @ 9:45 AM
All 3rd - 5th graders are invited to participate in this 4-week Bible class that, when completed, will give them the tools to confidently read their Bible! The CEB Deep Blue Bible uses Common English Bible text throughout, with words and phrases that sound natural and conversational for today's reader. With this edition, children will read a Bible that sounds more like how we talk! Email Kristin at kduy@chcpc.org to RSVP for Bible Gift Sunday.

THE REV. JOE MORROW, ASSOCIATE PASTOR, FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GUEST PREACHER ON JAN 15

Joe Morrow joined the Fourth Church staff in May 2018 in an interim role, as Minister for Evangelism, also serving as the primary pastor for the Jazz at Four. On Sunday, September 27, 2020, Fourth Church elected him as Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Community Engagement.

Prior to joining the Fourth Church staff, Joe served as Campus Engagement Manager for Interfaith Youth Core and prior to that was Youth Director at Edgewater Presbyterian Church. He also served in denominational leadership, as the chair of the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and as a member and vice-chair of the denomination’s Mission Responsibility Toward Investment (MRTI) committee, which works to ensure that the denomination’s extensive investments reflect its values and are socially responsible by utilizing various methods of shareholder engagement and leveraging ecumenical and interfaith relationships.

Joe holds degrees from North Park Theological Seminary and Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. He is husband to Sung Yeon and father to Ella.

News of THE AMOS GROUP

Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amos 5:24

Advent thoughts
Jesus’ family was poor. They had no steady home at first, so they were refugees.
Mary’s pregnancy was a potential source of stigma, like unwed mothers of our day.
As we wait for the re-birth of Jesus into our hearts, let us consider those in our communities who lack financial stability, housing stability, and social stability. Are we called to do something different on their behalf?

For example, imagine the difficulty that refugees from the southern hemisphere must be having as they arrive in winter in a strange country. You could get involved with Exodus World Service, a local agency working to help them get settled. Contact Pastor Susan Tindall to express your interest in supporting a refugee family.

Or maybe you’d like to volunteer to help Love Christian Clearinghouse support people in the surrounding communities. When people seeking help call in, Call-in Center volunteers assess their needs and refer them to places that can help.
Some of those callers may be unwed pregnant girls, like Mary was. And there are certainly poor families, like Jesus’ family was, who call for assistance. CPC member Becky Bewley Rush is now the Executive Director of Love Christian Clearinghouse and would be pleased to hear from you.

Please send your ideas and your comments to Gregg Morton.
SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL MEETING FEB 5

Plan to remain following worship for the Annual Meeting with reports from church leaders, information on the church budget and a look to the mission and ministries of 2023.

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