

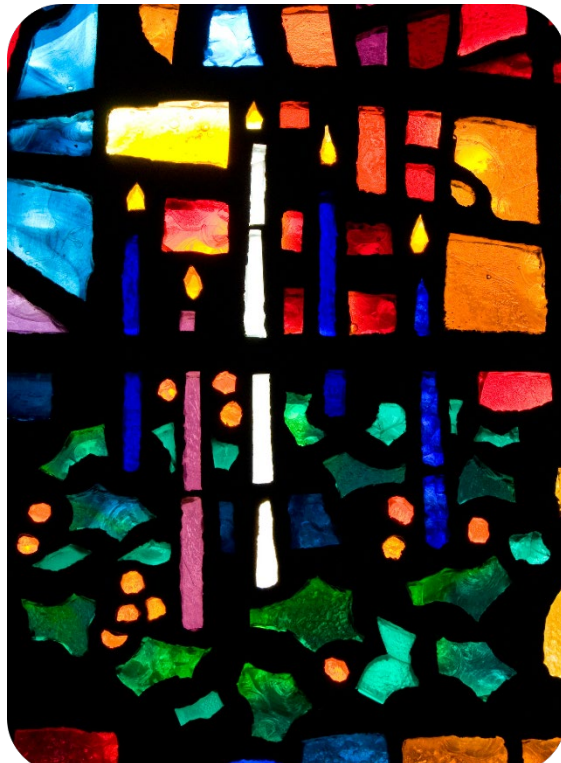


NORTHSIDE DRIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

**The Worship of God
December 20, 2020**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Preparation



*The Art of Being
Northside Drive*

Opening Voluntary:

Melinda Clark

Resonet in Laudibus Sigfrid Karg-Elert

The Service of the Advent Wreath

Keith Walker & Mike Temkin

Leader: God is making the final preparations for an amazing thing!

All: Let us remember and prepare for God's intervention of love.

Leader: At first there was the frail light of a single candle of hope, daring to pierce the darkness of despair and sin.

All: Then the candle of peace brought us God's persistent fire that dispels the forces of violence.

Leader: Then the candle of joy promised that our weeping will turn into laughter and our mourning into gladness.

All: Today we light the candle of love, for no other word so completely captures the spirit of our faith or beautifully describes what we know about God.

Leader: For God so loved the world that a child was given; and this Holy Child shared the love of God with the world.

All: We give thanks for the love of God seen most clearly in the life of Jesus Christ. May the life and love and light of God shine brightly in our lives.

(Lighting of the Advent Candle of Love)

Song of the Advent Wreath Sung by Our Acolytes

Gathering, Reflective Silence,

Concerns of the Church & Morning Prayer

Daniel Headrick

Congregational Hymn # 170

CAROL

It Came upon the Midnight Clear

A Time with the Children

Andrea Johnson

Reading of Luke 1:26-38

Norm Johnson

Sermon

James Lamkin

Be Not Afraid--How's that Working for You?

Discipline of Silence

Featured Music

A Christmas Medley

arr. by C. D. Clay

Joel Stouffer, Piano

Doxology

Stewardship Reminder

James Lamkin

Benediction

James Lamkin

Closing Voluntary

Magnificat Fugue

Johann Pachelbel

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It Came upon the Midnight Clear 170

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace" . . . Lk. 2:14

1. It came up-on the mid-night clear, that glo-rious song of old,
 2. Still through the clo-ven skies they come, with peace-ful wings un-furled,
 3. For lo, the days are has-tening on, by proph-ets seen of old,

from an-gels bend-ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
 and still their heav-en-ly mu-sic floats o'er all the wea-ry world;
 when, with the ev-er-cir-cling years, shall come the time fore-told,

"Peace on the earth, good-will to men, from heaven's all gra-cious King":
 a-bove its sad and low-ly plains they bend on hov-ering wing,
 when peace shall o-ver all the earth its an-cient splen-dors fling,

the world in sol-emn still-ness lay to hear the an-gels sing.
 and ev-er o'er its Ba-bel sounds the bless-ed an-gels sing.
 and all the world give back the song which now the an-gels sing.

WORSHIP ORDER

808 Praise God from Whom All Blessings

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/2 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system contains the lyrics: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low;". The second system contains the lyrics: "praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

WORDS: *Doxology*, Thomas Ken, 1709
MUSIC: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

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