



Sunday, December 27, 2020
Trinitarian Congregational Church
Concord, Massachusetts

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

MUSIC

In Dulci Jubilo (Good Christian Friends, Rejoice)
14th c. German carol

Joyce Alper (double reeds)

WELCOME

HYMN

Joy to the World (Congregation and organ)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Words: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt. Music: attr. Georg Frederick. Handel, 1742; arr. Lowell Mason, 1848

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

NO CHILDREN'S MESSAGE THIS WEEK

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Carrie O'Brien

MUSIC

The Carol of the Birds

Words and music by John Jacob Niles. ©G. Schirmer, Inc. (ASCAP), New York, NY

Molly Callahan

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:22-40

SERMON

Fulfilled!

Robert Brown

HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (Congregation and Lucas Hickman)

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart, and soul, and voice:
Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before Him bow and He is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart, and soul, and voice:
Now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ is born for this! Christ is born for this!

Words: Medieval Latin, trans. and para. John Mason Neale, 1853; alt.

Music: 14th c. German folk tune, harm. David Hugh Jones, 1953

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admin. John Knox/ Westminster Press, Louisville, Kentucky

PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer, Prayer Requests and Silent Prayer, The Lord's Prayer

MUSIC

Lo, How a Rose

Kathy Bentley, accompanied by Pat Bentley

Music: 16th c. German melody, arr. Peter Sykes, 2020

Words: 15th c. German carol, trans. Theodore Baker, 1894, alt.

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Call to Stewardship

Bill Page

MUSIC

In the Bleak Midwinter (Audrey, Lena and Natalie Stein)

Words: Christina G. Rossetti, 1872; alt. Music: Gustav Holst, *The English Hymnal*, 19906

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN

Joy to the World (Congregation and organ)

No more let sins and sorrows grow; nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love.

And wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

When Christ was Born (*The Neapolitan Shepherds Song*)

Joyce Alper (double reeds)

Worship Leaders

Rev. Robert Brown, Senior Minister; Rev. Gail Miller, Minister for Congregational Life;
Carrie O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministries; Victoria Wagner, Director of Music.

Fellowship in Breakout Rooms
