

# Welcome to Crestholme Presbyterian Church Nativity of the Lord/Christmas Day December 25, 2022 At the \*, please stand, if you are able.

Large Print Hymnals and Bibles, and Hearing Assist Devices, are available

# **Gather for Worship**

PRELUDE "O Holy Night" Adams

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byMVcMLDEcU

# THE BELLS

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

God permitting, we will be celebration the Lord's Table next Sunday, 01/01/23.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Bring A Torch Jeantte Isabella" Choir https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O9Y8R3iZB1Y

#### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDEL

#### **Dave and Connie Dobbs**

One: O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

We light the Christ Candle

as a reminder of God's promised light in the darkness.

All: May the Light sent from God shine in the darkness and offer us God's Hope, Peace, Joy and Love on our way!

One: We light the Christ Candle as a sign of God's Presence with us.

All: May all the promises of Christmas be born in Bethlehem, and in

us. With a prophet's promise and a living hope, let us worship

God!

**Scripture:** Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. (Lk. 2:11, NIV) **Dave and Connie Dobbs** 

\* Our Advent Christmas Carol "Light the Advent / Christ Candle..." (Light all 5 Candles)

# **Choir and Congregation**

"Light the Christmas candle, now: Sing of donkey, sheep, and cow; Birthday candles for the King, let the al-le-lu-ias ring. Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night; Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light."

## **OPENING PRAYER**

O Lord you reign, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice. Clouds and thick darkness surround you; righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. Fire goes before you and consumes your foes on every side. Your lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles. The mountains melt like wax before you, before you the Lord of all the earth. The heavens proclaim your righteousness, and all peoples see your glory. We gather here in your name to give you glory. Amen.

\* OPENING HYMN "O Come All Ye Faithful" Blue Hymnal #41
https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=1tM5pwvUGMI

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God Incarnate full of grace and truth forgive us for allowing our fleshly patterns to continue and not trusting your gift of newness. Forgive our fearful thoughts and allow your perfect love to case away our fear! Birth forth in us your Word and give us yourself in a newly found hope! Thank you for forgiving and gifting us with repentance casting away our sins as far as the East is from the West! In Jesus Christ, we live and move and have our being trusting and hoping in your faithful name, amen.

# **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

Anyone who is in Christ has been made a new creation! The old life has gone, a new life has come! Friends, trust the Good News of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new! Alleluia!

\* GLORIA PATRI

Blue Hymnal # 579

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUBxpypSblw

\* SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: Peace be with you!
All: And also with you!

**One:** As God's forgiven people, share the peace of Christ with each other.

# **CHILDREN'S TIME The Very First Christmas**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijIzEIPHqfo

# **Hear the Word of God**

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lord God Almighty, you have done marvelous things; your right hand and your holy arm have worked salvation. You, O Lord have made your salvation known and revealed your righteousness to the nations. As your Word is read today, allow us to be witnesses to your mighty acts. In the Name of our beloved savior, Jesus Christ, we ask. Amen.

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING I**

John 18:1-23

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John%2018%3A1-23&version=NIV

PROVERBS READING I

**Proverbs 18:1-12** 

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+18%3A1-12+&version=NIV

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Only A Baby Came"

Choir

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=v4xhEbA2Izw

# **NEW TESTAMENT READING II**

John 18:24-40

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+18%3A24-40+&version=NIV

**PROVERBS READING II** 

Proverbs 18:13-24

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs%2018%3A13-24&version=NIV

**SERMON** 

"Jesus, Jehovah Saves"
Matt. 1:21 // Phil. 2:9-11

**Dr. Carlos Baladez** 

By God's love, mercy, and grace, we have invested this year knowing God by name. Our foundational scripture anchoring us throughout this adventure is Daniel 11:32b, "but those who know their God will be strong and do exploits." (KJV)

We have come to know our God by the names of God revealed to us in scripture. \*

# **Names of Deity**

Yahweh-LORD God of the Covenant, Elohim-GOD, Adonai-Lord of all provision, The First and the Last, Adonai Yahweh-Sovereign Lord.

## **Names of Character**

Holy God, Abounding In Love, Merciful and Gracious, Faithful and True, Excellent In Wisdom.

### **Names of Power**

Mighty Power, LORD Creator, God Who Works Wonders, LORD Healer, El Shaddai-God Almighty.

# **Names of Authority**

King of Ages, King LORD of Hosts, King of Kings, King of the Nations, Righteous.

# **Names of Splendor**

God of Glory, Everlasting Light, Majestic Glory, Great and Awesome God, God of My Praise.

# **Names of Intimacy**

God Sees Me, ImmanuEl-God With Us, God Of Our Fathers, Father, Jealous God.

# **Names of Sufficiency**

My Redeemer, My God My Rock, Yahweh Raah-The LORD My Shepherd, The LORD My Portion, God My Exceeding Joy.

## **Covenant Names**

Yahweh Shammah-The Lord is There, Yahweh Tsidkenu-The Lord Our Righteousness, Yahweh Jireh-The Lord shall provide, Yahweh Shalom, The Lord is Peace.

# And today we come to The Name above all names

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." (Matt. 1:21, NIV),

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil. 2:9, NIV).

All of these names come together in the person of Jesus Christ. There is power in this name. It is the all-powerful name of God incarnate. It is the name given among humankind by which we might be saved, be made whole, and restored to loving fellowship with God. It is the risen Jesus Christ who has been given all power and authority in heaven and on earth. At his name, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. The fullness of God was in Christ Jesus reconciling the world unto himself. Jesus, Yahweh, the LORD saves is his name. Jesus is our portion, our healer, our savior, our redeemer, our God, Lord, Master, Creator, and Head of us all, and so much more. It is by his saving love, mercy, and grace that we have been

made his body, heirs of salvation, children of God, the Temple of the Holy Spirit. In Christ, we are the sheep of God's pasture. In Christ, we do not lack a single thing. In Jesus Christ, God has provided for all our needs, desires, and wants. And what is our greatest need and want? Jesus Christ our Lord, Savior, and God. And our greatest desire? Jesus Christ is the desire of all the nations.

Hallelujah, today in the city of Bethlehem a child is born and a son is given, Jesus Christ the Lord, our Lord. Amen.

\*Knowing God by Name by Mary A. Kassian

\* HYMN

"Away In A Manger"

Blue Hymnal #25

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XhV07BlG0q0

# **Respond in Love and Service**

#### **OUR AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS AND HYMN OF INTERCESSION

Offer up your prayers to the Lord and then sing, *Heal Our Land*.

\*HYMN FOR OUR NATION "Heal Our Land"

Red Hymnal #800

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTm rA54EGw

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

"Our Father which 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"

CHORAL AMEN Choir

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ci0Jb0Aerys

## PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please, continue to support the life and work of Crestholme. You can mail your tithes, pledges, and offerings to...

CPC PO Box 23919. SA TX 78223-0901

Or you can save them and gather them until we meet again. Thank you!

\* DOXOLOGY

Blue Hymnal #592

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uyg6-htOtHU

## \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of all glory and praise, we bring to you these gifts to honor your name. We bless you for your generosity. Receive these gifts of love as a witness to your wondrous provision. Amen.

\* CLOSING HYMN

"Silent Night"

Blue Hymnal #60

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sme8N2pzRx8

**Lighting of the congregational candles** 

## \* BENEDICTION

Crestholme, Emmanuel has come. As you have freely received him, go share his good news with others so that they may also be blessed as God has blessed you in abundance. Go, and share the Joy of the Lord with others that you meet this week. Amen.

Please exit quietly after the benediction

The End This Worship Service — The Beginning of Service to Others

Next Sunday, Dr. Baladez will be leading worship in a NEW YEAR, thanks be to God!

# **Weekly Calendar**

Tue & Thur09:30-11:30 AMFood PantryTBDTBDClothes ClosetSundayTBDSunday SchoolSunday11:00 AmWorship Service

Holy Communion is observed the First Sunday of each month.

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# **Crestholme Presbyterian Church Officers**

# <u>Session</u>

Class of 2022Class of 2023Class of 2024Irene ThomasKatie LambNetsy Williamson

**Steve Tovar** 

Clerk of the Session: Dick Crist Church Treasurer: Fred Archer

**Trustees** 

Class of 2022Class of 2023Class of 2024Fred ArcherTommy RudwickPenny Christoff

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# **Crestholme Presbyterian Church Staff**

Stated Supply Minister Vacant

Pulpit Supply Preachers Dr. Carlos Baladez

Elder, Fred Archer

Choir Director Robin Bernhard Organist Cathie Owen

Secretary/Coordinator Vacant

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Membership in the Presbyterian Church is open to those who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Every member and officer will be more than happy to visit with you about salvation by faith in Jesus and membership at Crestholme.

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