

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

December 25, 2022

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Is. 7:14

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn # 145.....**"Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Isaiah 11:1-9

CONFESSION OF SIN

From the Dutch Psalter of Peter Dathenus (1566).....read responsively

O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before Your great Majesty against which we have frequently and grievously sinned.

We acknowledge that we deserve nothing less than eternal death.

We are unclean before You and children of wrath.

We continually transgress Your commandments, failing to do what You have commanded us, and doing that which You have expressly forbidden.

We all like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way.

We acknowledge our waywardness, and are heartily sorry for all our sins.

We confess, to our humiliation and to the praise of Your mercy, that our transgressions are innumerable, and that our debt is so great that we cannot even begin to repay.

We are not worthy to be called Your children, nor to lift up our eyes heavenward to You in prayer.

Nevertheless, O Lord God and gracious Father, we know that You do not desire the death of the sinner, but rather that he should turn to You and live.

We know that Your mercy toward those who turn to You is infinite, and so we take courage to call upon You from the depths of our hearts, trusting in our Mediator Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world.

Forgive all our sins for Christ's sake. Have compassion upon us in our infirmities.

Wash us in the pure fountain of His blood, so that we may become clean and white as snow.

Cover us with His innocence and righteousness, for the glory of Your Name.

Deliver our understanding from all blindness, and our hearts from all willfulness and rebellion.

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

"For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

Jn. 3:17

Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

* Hymn # 147.....**"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"**

* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Matthew 1:18-25

The Apostles' Creed.....unison

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 Ghost, 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 quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen!

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology.....page xvi

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn # 149.....**"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"**

MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

* Reading of the Word of God.....Isaiah 9:2-7

Sermon: "For Unto Us a Child Is Born"Dr. Jones

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

* Hymn # 159....."Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

* Benediction

* Congregational Threefold Amen

Isaiah 9:2-7 (NKJV)

² The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined. ³ You have multiplied the nation *And* increased its joy; They rejoice before You According to the joy of harvest, As *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil. ⁴ For You have broken the yoke of his burden And the staff of his shoulder, The rod of his oppressor, As in the day of Midian. ⁵ For every warrior's sandal from the noisy battle, And garments rolled in blood, Will be used for burning *and* fuel of fire. ⁶ For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of *His* government and peace *There will be* no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

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Reverend Dr. James A. Jones, Jr.
Pastor

" To Glorify God, and Enjoy Him Forever "

DeRidder Presbyterian Church Announcements

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We welcome all worshipers, especially our new visitors.
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

COMMUNION – We observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship. The center cups contain grape juice for those who cannot partake of the wine in good conscience.

SCRIPTURE READINGS – Please take the time now to mark the places in your Bibles for the Scripture readings later in the service.

NO BIBLE STUDY – The Bible Study will resume on January 4, 2023. We will begin the first chapter of *Words to Winners of Souls* by Horatius Bonar.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.
Fellowship & Coffee.....10:30 A.M.
Corporate Worship.....11:00 A.M.
This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....<https://youtu.be/Yx2K8T1hmaQ>

Pregnancy Care Center

420 McMahon Street
DeRidder, Louisiana 70634
(337) 463-9500

Office Hours:
Tues. and Wed. 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

DeRidder Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

THE CHURCH

DeRidder PC.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal
Vanguard Presbytery.....Vanguard Presbyterian Church
New Life Presbyterian mission.....Tillsonburg, Ontario, Canada
Persecuted Christians.....Afghanistan

MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers
Bill Carr (Native American Ministry Regional Director)..... Fargo, ND
Pregnancy Care Center.....Financial needs; wisdom for board and volunteers

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

(Under Age 20)

Laynie Burch (com member).....Aria Morrison (non com member)
Abigail Godwin (assoc member).....Kamden Waldrop (com member)
Matthew Lungrin (com member).....Kenna Waldrop (com member)
Theresa Lungrin (non com member)

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Chaplain Sebastian and Saemi Kim & family.....Florida
Chaplain Steven and Sarah Lanclos & family (Navy).....Okinawa, Japan
Steven Lungrin.....Fort Polk
Adrian and Stephanie Stark & family.....Fort Polk
Cody and Caitlin Waldrop & family.....Fort Polk

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Lydia Bergman.....Sarah Lanclos
Alison Clowers

GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Pam (Bruce’s sister).....Salvation
Doug Barberousse.....Back pain; procedure on December 19
Don and Cheryl Dobson (Griffith’s friends).....General health
Robert Griffith.....Disc problem in lower back
Kent Jacobs (Lessie’s cousin).....Needs kidney transplant
Ron Ladwig (Lisa’s nephew).....Three strokes
Greg Prudhomme.....Back and injuries to knees, recovery from prostate surgery

CANCER

Mollie Anderson.....Breast cancer in remission
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery
Brenda Brown (Chris Brown’s mother).....Cancer recurrence; recovery from Covid
Sam Crifasse (friend of Doug’s).....Bladder cancer in remission
Paula Griffith.....Metastatic pancreatic cancer
Chaplain Scott Hammond (Ft. Polk).....Stage 4 prostate cancer in remission
Stella Hodge (Bruce’s mother).....Salvation; breast cancer
Rita Munson.....Ovarian Clear Cell Carcinoma (OCCC); immunotherapy success
Pamela Roper.....Kidney cancer; to MD Anderson for surgery
Marge Smith.....Lung cancer in remission
Anna Wiggins.....Lymphoma; MD Anderson
Janice Wright.....Cancer in remission

FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN

Text: Isaiah 9:2–7

I. HE BROUGHT LIGHT TO US IN DARKNESS

A. We Were All Living In Darkness

B. We Have Seen A Great Light

C. Why We Can Rejoice

II. HE IS OUR KING

A. A Child Is Born

B. He Has A Government On His Shoulders

C. What He Is Like

III. WHAT HIS REIGN SHALL BE LIKE

A. Its Growth

B. Its Foundation

C. Its Power

D. Application