

# The Word Made Flesh

And the Word became flesh  
and dwelt among us, and we  
have seen his glory, glory  
as of the only Son from  
the Father, full of  
grace and truth.

— John 1:14



## Mint Hill Presbyterian Church

*"...that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."*

*- 1 Peter 4:11*

### *Lessons & Carols Candlelight Service*

**"Christ is the humility of God embodied in human nature;  
the Eternal Love humbling itself, clothing itself in the garb  
of meekness and gentleness, to win and serve and save us."**

**— Augustine**

***December 22, 2019  
7:00 p.m.***

*Mint Hill Presbyterian Church*  
*Lessons & Carols*  
*December 22, 2019 ~ 7:00 p.m.*

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Silent Night</i>	Franz Gruber arr. Phillip Keveran
<b>Welcome</b>		Butch Bigham
<b>*Call to Worship and Prayer</b>		Butch Bigham
<b>* Hymn</b>	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	No. 194
<b>Scripture</b>	<i>Matthew 1:18-25</i> Matthew tells of Jesus' Birth	Steve Smith
<b>* Hymn</b>	<i>Silent Night! Holy Night!</i>	No. 210
<b>Special Music</b>	<i>Emmanuel</i> Steve & Patti Smith	
<b>Scripture</b>	<i>Luke 2:8-20</i> The Shepherds Go to the Manger	Linda Shelden
<b>Special Music</b>	<i>Sweet Little Jesus Boy</i> Donn DeHart, Soloist	
<b>Scripture</b>	<i>Matthew 2:1-12</i> The Wise Men are Led to Baby Jesus	Steve Smith
<b>* Hymn</b>	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	No. 208
<b>Scripture</b>	<i>John 1:1-14</i> The Great Mystery of the Incarnation	Donn DeHart
<b>Special Music</b>	<i>Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery</i> Praise Band	
<b>* Hymn</b>	<i>What Child is This?</i>	No. 213

\*Hymn

*Joy to the World!*

(See lyrics below)

*(Lighting of the Christ Candle and congregational candles)*

**Joy to the world! the Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.**

**Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**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.**

*We invite you to stay and fellowship with us after worship!*

\* *If you are able please stand*

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## Welcome and Merry Christmas!

*We would like to welcome you to this special service of scripture  
and music giving our praises to Emmanuel,  
Jesus Christ—God with us!*

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*“In the works of creation, God is above us; in His words of  
providence, He is outside us; in the law, He is against us; in  
himself, He is invisible to us. Only in Christ is He Immanuel (God  
with us), God manifested in our flesh. He is God in us, God with us,  
and God for us. Therefore, no man ever did or ever can understand  
anything of God truly, that is, upon a saving account, except in and  
by Jesus Christ.”*

—Thomas Mallery  
*Voices from the Past: Puritan Devotional Readings*

*“I am the way and the truth and the life.  
No one comes to the Father except through Me”—Jesus  
(John 14:6)*

*If what you've heard tonight has created a desire for you to learn  
more of Jesus Christ or commit your life to Him, we invite you to  
speak now with one of our elders.*

*"Christ does not exist in order to make much of us. We exist in order to enjoy making much of him. Christ is not glorious so that we get wealthy or healthy. Christ is glorious so that rich or poor, sick or sound, we might be satisfied in Him."*

— John Piper, *Seeing and Savoring Jesus Christ*

***Mint Hill Presbyterian Church exists to Glorify God  
by seeking the lost, making disciples, and  
worshiping the Savior.***

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