



The *Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4* p. 264 in the pew Bible

Carol 24  
Carol 27

“*Away in a Manger*”  
“*Gentle Mary Laid Her Child*”

The Anthem

A Moment With the Children

\*Carol 49 “*Once in Royal David’s City*”

The *Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-14*

p. 111 in the pew Bible

The Sermon

“*Presence*”  
Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

AND TO MAKE PROPER RESPONSE. . .

\*The *Apostles’ Creed*

p. 14 in the Hymnal

Litany for Christmas

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Alleluia!

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Alleluia!**

O Christ, splendor of God’s eternal glory, the mighty Word,  
sustaining the universe: renew our lives by your presence.

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Christ, born into the world in the fullness of time  
for the liberation of all creation: release all into your promised freedom.

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Christ, begotten of the Father before all time,  
born in a stable at Bethlehem: may your church be a sign of hope and joy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Christ, truly God and truly human, born to a people in  
fulfillment of their expectations: fulfill our desires in you.

**Lord, have mercy.**

O Christ, born of the Virgin Mary, child of wonder and splendor,  
mighty God of all ages, Prince of Peace:  
may the whole world live in peace and justice.

**Lord, have mercy...**

The Lord's Prayer

p. 16 in the Hymnal

The Service of Offering  
The Offertory 46

“*On This Day Earth Shall Ring*”

\*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology, p. 592 in the Hymnal

**God of goodness and kindness, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting, all that we have are gifts of your grace. As the heavenly host sang of your glory, accept what we bring you as our offerings of praise. With the shepherds we have witnessed the birth of our Savior; our response is in gratitude for the hope of new life we receive in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

GO IN GOD'S NAME.

\*The Hymn 29

“*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*”

\*The Charge & Benediction

\*The Postlude

Liturgist: Caroline Deaderick; Ushers: Harry & Joanne Farley, Wayne Hibbeler, Bill Hollister  
Greeters: Hugh & Phyllis Muir; Allen, Chris, Jeremy, Sarah, Rebecca & Hannah Fisher  
Chair Lift: Bill Baer

The flowers at the front of the Sanctuary are given by Joanne & Harry Farley to honor their grandchildren, *Christopher & Nikolas Farley; David King, III; Peyton King; and Krista Farley* and in honor of *Thomas Hancock*.

The wreaths on the Sanctuary windows are given by Betty Ellett and Bryan Lewis *to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty's mother and Bryan's grandmother, Doris Sheppard Ellett Bookman.*

Our heartfelt Christian love and sympathies are extended to Alex McCallister on the death of his father, *J. W. McCallister* who died in Richmond.