

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri

FIRST SUNDAY of CHRISTMAS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Luke 2)*

One: Come, all you faithful ones. Come, all who are seeking to be faithful.
Come, all who are seeking. Come.

All: **"Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place,
which the Lord has made known to us."**

LESSON AND CAROLS

OPENING AND PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)*

**Our Father, who 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.**

FIRST LESSON Genesis 22:15-18

HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" GtG 88 *(Verses 1 & 6)*

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 9:2,6-7

HYMN "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" GtG 82

THIRD LESSON Micah 5:2-5a

HYMN “O Little Town of Bethlehem” GtG 121 (*Verses 1 & 3*)

FOURTH LESSON Luke 1:26-35,38

HYMN “To a Maid Whose Name Was Mary” GtG 98 (*Verses 1 & 6*)

FIFTH LESSON Matthew 1:18-21

***HYMN** “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” GtG 119 (*Verses 1 & 3*)

SIXTH LESSON Luke 2:1-7

HYMN “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming” GtG 129 (*Verses 1-2*)

SEVENTH LESSON Luke 2:8-20

***HYMN** “Angels We Have Heard on High” GtG 113

EIGHTH LESSON Matthew 2:1-11

HYMN “As with Gladness Men of Old” GtG 150 (*Verses 1-3*)

NINTH LESSON John 1:1-14

***HYMN** “Joy to the World” GtG 134

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor: ...And let the gathered people of God say...

People: ...**Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

The Opening and Prayer are used by permission from the *Book of Common Worship*, © 2018 Westminster John Knox Press. All rights reserved.

A couple of worship notes for the next two weeks:

*Pastor Bill will be on Study Leave Sunday, January 2nd. We recommend you check out the following for online worship opportunities (in lieu of our own in-person worship):

St Mark’s Presbyterian Church, Ballwin MO
www.discoverstmark.org

Click on Livestream Worship Services – 10:00 am

Southminster Presbyterian Church, Crestwood MO

www.southminsterstlouis.org

Scroll down to This Week's Service – 10:00 am

John Knox Presbyterian Church, Florissant MO

Worship at 9:30 am - Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/JohnKnoxPresbyterianChurchFlorissantMO/>

*Also note: Sunday, January 9th, Communion will be celebrated.