

SERMON
“GOD’S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FAMILY-
BRINGING US SAFELY HOME”
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ANTHEM
LET RAIN COME DOWN TODAY
THURLOW WEED
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***HYMN OF INVITATION**
GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN
#365, v. 1 & 4
WORDS BY JULIA H. JOHNSTON
MUSIC BY DANIEL B. TOWNER
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1. Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was
spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

4. Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe! You
that are longing to see his face, will you this moment his grace receive? [Refrain]

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING FORTH**
LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING ARMS
#133, v. 1 & 3
WORDS BY ELISHA HOFFMAN
MUSIC BY ANTHONY SHOWALTER
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1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a
blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I
have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

[Refrain]

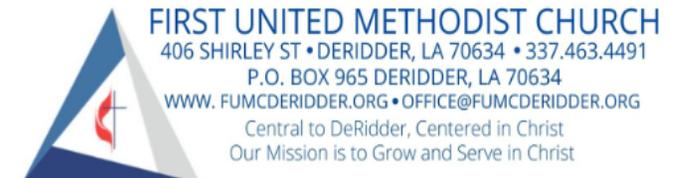
POSTLUDE
SIMPLE GIFTS
JOSEPH BRACKETT

*Communion is available and the
elements have been blessed for anyone
who would like to partake after church
service is completed.*



**“God’s Relationship with the Family -
Bringing Us Safely Home”**
Matthew 2:13-23

January 15, 2023
Worship Service with Noisy Offering
Sanctuary & Online
10:00 AM



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE
WE DECLARE YOUR MAJESTY
MALCOLM DU PLESSIS

WELCOME HOME! ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP
GLORY IN THE HIGHEST
TRADITIONAL PUERTO RICAN SONG
ARR. BY GERHARD CARTFORD & R.M. MARTINEZ
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*CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you made of one blood all nations that dwell on the face of the whole earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to them that are afar off and to them that are near. Grant that all people everywhere may seek after you and find you. Bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit on all flesh, and hasten your kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**
ON THIS DAY EARTH SHALL RING
#248
WORDS & MUSIC FROM *PLAE CANTIONES*
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1. On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.

Refrain: Ideo-o-o, ideo-o-o, ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

2. His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth, Bethlehem saw his birth; ox and ass beside him from the cold would hide him. [Refrain]

3. God's bright star, o'er his head, Wise Men three to him led; kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts before him, praise him and adore him. [Refrain]

4. On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring, praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us. [Refrain]

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER
INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

#229
POLISH CAROL
WORDS AND MUSIC BY: EDITH M.G. REED
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1. Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall; oxen lowing, little knowing, Christ the babe is Lord of all. Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.

2. Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true. Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow: Christ the babe was born for you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS WITH NOISY OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**
PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW
#94
WORDS BY THOMAS KEN
MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*
ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

HYMN OF FAITH
ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY
#250
WORDS BY CECIL FRANCES ALEXANDER
MUSIC BY HENRY J. GAUNTLETT
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1. Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed; Mary, loving mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall. With the poor, the scorned, the lowly lived on earth our Savior holy.

3. Jesus is our childhood's pattern; day by day, like us he grew; he was little, weak, and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew; and he feeleth for our sadness, and he shareth in our gladness.

4. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

SCRIPTURE READING
MATTHEW 2:13-23