

ON THE SECOND DAY OF CHRISTMAS:
TWO TURTLE DOVES

The “two turtle doves” may represent:

- 1) The Two Natures of Christ: a) Human and b) Divine
- 2) The Two Testaments of the Bible: a) Old & b) New

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Second Day of Christmas

December 26, 2021

Service of the Word

Prelude

Invitation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who sends the word with angels, who is made flesh among all peoples, and who breathes peace on all the earth. Amen.

In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.

Confession and Forgiveness:

Holy God,

we confess our sin before you.

We replace compassion with competition.

We seek what is mighty while ignoring the meek.

We are quick to anger but slow to forgive.

We have not put on love in harmony with you.

Wrap us in the grace of your powerful Word.

Swaddle our hearts with your peace,

that all we do, in word or deed,

may reflect your love born among us. For this we pray in the name of Jesus who is born in us.

Amen.

Silent Confession

I bring you good news of great joy for all people:

God has come among us

in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord.

✠ In Christ your sins are forgiven

and you are clothed in peace.

Amen.

***Christmas Carol: No. 136**

The First Noel

***The Collect**

Old Testament

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

¹⁸ Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy clothed with a linen ephod. ¹⁹ And his mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year when she went up with her husband

to offer the yearly sacrifice. ²⁰ Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, “May the LORD give you children by this woman for the petition she asked of the LORD.” So then they would return to their home.

²⁶ Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and also with man. ¹

Psalm 148 – A Hallelujah Psalm

Responsively

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

**² Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his hosts!**

³ Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

**⁴ Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!**

⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD!

For he commanded and they were created.

**⁶ And he established them forever and ever;
he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth,
you great sea creatures and all deeps,

**⁸ fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy wind fulfilling his word!**

⁹ Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**¹⁰ Beasts and all livestock,
creeping things and flying birds!**

¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

**¹² Young men and maidens together,
old men and children!**

¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his majesty is above earth and heaven.

**¹⁴ He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his saints,
for the people of Israel who are near to him.**

Praise the LORD! ²

¹ *Revised Common Lectionary*. (2009). Bellingham, WA: Faithlife.

² *Revised Common Lectionary*. (2009). Bellingham, WA: Faithlife.

***Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**

St. Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹ Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. ⁴³ And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴ but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, ⁴⁵ and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." ⁴⁹ And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"⁴⁸ ⁵⁰ And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. ⁵¹ And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man. ³

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hades.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,**

³ *Revised Common Lectionary*. (2009). Bellingham, WA: Faithlife.

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Morning Prayer

Our Savior's Prayer [using **debts** and **debtors**]

Proclamation of God's Word

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Wisdom and Stature

***Christmas Carol: No. 141**

O Little Town of Bethlehem

***Dismissal and Blessing**

***Going Forth**

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The Saints In Action

TODAY – *The Second Day of Christmas*

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Next Sunday – *January 2, 2022 – The Ninth Day of Christmas*

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Giving From 12/19/21

	Rec	Budget	Over/Under
General	\$4431.00	\$2434.93	\$1996.07
Ben	\$285.00	\$213.46	\$71.54
Maint	\$270.00	\$163.46	\$106.54
Mem	50.00		
Total	\$5036.00	\$2811.85	\$2174.15

Benevolence includes Food Pantry of \$70.00

Worship Attendance: 73

Sunday School: 14



Those Remembered in prayer:

God's guidance and protection for Armed Forces.

Shut Ins:

Lew & Barb Berkley, Roy Bucher, Helen Diest, Mary Forespring, Janet Gindlesperger, Cynthia Kelly, Lois Krause, Deb Luteri, Lois Saylor.

Healing Concerns:

Sally Altfather, Mark Amyot, Donnie Baxter, Carol Boyer, Jim Coughenour, Pam Crooks, Larry Custer, Dana Dawson, Dawn Gindlesperger, Andrea Shaulis Harris, Barry Landis, Larry McCullen, Jennifer Miller, Bonnie Murphy, Nancy Schrock, Avis Specht, Kelly Tharp, Robin Walker, Harry and Jane Watkins, Heather Weighley, Nancy Weighley, Karen Will, Kimberly Kay Roos Zimmerman

Prayer Concerns:

For the Family of Jim Suder

Where You May Find . . .

The Nursery: *is on the lower level for children and their parent. A big screen TV is mounted in the room so that you may watch the service.*

At the Sanctuary Entrances. . .

Large Print Bulletins

Hearing Amplifiers

Recycling Boxes for Bulletins

These Days – Devotional

Assisting in Worship

Sound: Tyler Gindlesperger, Pam Bush

Acolyte: Matt Miller

Flowers on the altar: in memory of his father Poss and his mother Ruth by Dale Gindlesperger

The Whole Congregation in Ministry and Assisted by

Pastor: Rev'd Dr. David A. Williams

Church Secretary: Pam Bush

Financial Secretary: Renee Gindlesperger

Chancel Choir Director Emeritus: Linda Gallick

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See You Next Year!

