



**Order of Worship**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**10:50 am**  
**December 20th, 2020**

**Prelude**

**Welcome / Opening Prayer**

**Centering Music**

*Ave Maria*

-Franz Schubert

**Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle**

**Opening Hymn** *"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"*

*It came upon the midnight clear,  
that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth,  
to touch their harps of gold:*

*"Peace on the earth, good will to all,  
from heaven's all-gracious King."*

*The world in solemn stillness lay,  
to hear the angels sing.*

*Still through the cloven skies they come*

*with peaceful wings unfurled,  
and still their heavenly music floats*

*o'er all the weary world;  
above its sad and lowly plains,  
they bend on hovering wing,  
and ever o'er its Babel sounds  
the blessed angels sing.*

*And ye, beneath life's crushing load,*

*whose forms are bending low,  
who toil along the climbing way  
with painful steps and slow,*

*look now! for glad and golden hours*

*come swiftly on the wing.  
O rest beside the weary road,  
and hear the angels sing!  
For lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophet seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
shall come the time foretold  
when peace shall over all the earth  
its ancient splendors fling,  
and the whole world send back the song  
which now the angels sing.*

## **The Apostles Creed**

## **Prayer / The Lord's Prayer**

## **Joys**

## **Anthem**

*Breath of Heaven*

-Amy Grant

## **Scripture**

**Luke 1:26-38**

## **Sermon**

**The Annunciation**

## **Closing Hymn**

***"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"***

*Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King;  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with th'angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"  
Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;*

*hail th'incarnate Deity,  
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"  
Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"*

**Closing Song**

***"Let There Be Peace on Earth"***

*Let there be peace on earth,  
and let it begin with me;  
let there be peace on earth,  
the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator,  
children all are we.  
Let us walk with each other  
in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me;  
let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:  
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth,  
and let it begin with me.*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**