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December 31, 2023 - Lessons & Carols Pt 2

1st Sunday After Christmas

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Welcome & Acknowledgement

148:4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Notices

148:5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

Opening Sentence

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Colossians 3.15, 16

148:6 He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Lighting the Advent Candle

148:7 Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

First Lesson - Isaiah 61:10-62:3

148:8 fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Carol – Gloria (more traditional version)

148:9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Second Lesson - Psalm 148

148:1 Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

148:10 Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

148:2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

148:11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

148:3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

148:12 Young men and women alike, old and young together!

148:13 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

148:14 He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!

Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth; you open our eyes to see the wonders around us, and our hearts and mouths to praise you. Now give us strength for loving service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Carol – #642 (INSERT - WOV) I wonder as I wander

Third Lesson - Galatians 4:4-7

Carol -#649 (iNsert - WOV) o want to walk as a child of the light

Fourth Lesson - Gospel of Luke 2:22-40

Carol – #639 (iNsert WOV) oh, sleep now, holy baby

Fifth Lesson - Isaiah 9:2-7

Carol –the Lord's Prayer (call & answer)

Sixth Lesson - Titus 2:11-14

Carol – Mary did you know. Meredith & David

Seventh Lesson - Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

Carol – #122 (CP) in the bleak midwinter

The Collect -

Almighty God,
you have shed upon us the new light
of your incarnate Word.
May this light, enkindled in our hearts,
shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

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Thanks be to God. Amen.

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