

**Glen Echo Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
January 9, 2022**

Prelude

Patty Bellus

Welcome and Announcements

Mary Ann

Opening Music

Patty Bellus

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 60)**

One: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

All: Glory to God in the highest.

One: Darkness covers the earth,

All: But God's glory shines brightly.

One: Lift up your eyes. Look around.

All: The light of God's love shines radiantly.

One: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

All: Our hearts thrill and rejoice!

***HYMN OF PRAISE "Come, Thou Almighty King"**

**Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
Help us to praise: one God, all-glorious,
O'er all victorious, come and reign over us, ancient of days.**

**Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear,
In this glad hour! Thou, who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.**

***INVOCATION**

***GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

PRAYER HYMN “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. (Repeat)**

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now, says the Lord—the one who created you, Jacob, the one who formed you, Israel: Don’t fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when through the rivers, they won’t sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you won’t be scorched and flame won’t burn you. I am the Lord your God, the holy one of Israel, your savior. I have given Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in your place. Because you are precious in my eyes, you are honored, and I love you. I give people in your place, and nations in exchange for your life. Don’t fear, I am with you. From the east I’ll bring your children; from the west I’ll gather you. I’ll say to the north, “Give them back!” and to the south, “Don’t detain them.” Bring my sons from far away, and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name and whom I created for my glory, whom I have formed and made.

SERMON

“Precious in My Sight”

Pastor Dawn

HYMN OF PREPARATION “We, Your People, God, Confessing”

**We, your people, God, confessing
Jesus Christ your Son as Lord,
Gather here in common worship
Praising your Incarnate Word.
Through the power of Christ within us
We are strengthened to proclaim
Gospel truth in witness, service
Offered in Christ’s holy name.**

**We, your people, God, communing
Through the Holy Spirit, here,
Joined together as disciples,
In obedience, now draw near.
At the table where the emblems
Of Christ's sacrifice are spread
Here we celebrate his presence
With the cup and broken bread.**

Invitation to Commune

Julie

Communion Sentences

One: God loves us deeply, and we are precious in God's sight.

All: **God nurtures us spiritually through the gifts of this table.**

Prayer of Consecration

(Please partake of the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.)

***HYMN OF INVITATION AND DEDICATION**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

**God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient church's story;
Bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.**

***BENEDICTION**

***Benediction Response “God of Grace and God of Glory”**

**Set our feet on lofty places;
Fill our lives that we may be
Strengthened with all Christ-like graces
Pledges to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we fail our call from thee,
Lest we fail our call from thee.**

POSTLUDE

**Please stand if you are comfortably able to do so.*

(Please place your offerings in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.)

Portions of the worship service were adapted from:

- 1) Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 2; Trinity Sunday through Reign of Christ. Bracken Long, Kimberly, Editor. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2012;
- 2) The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022: Worship Planning Resources for Every Sunday of the Year. Scifres, Mary and Beu, B.J., Editors. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2021.

NEWS IN THE PEWS

*We will take down the Christmas decorations today after church. Please stay and help if you are able to do so.

*Extra poinsettias can be found in the nursery. Please take home as many of them as you would like. Remaining flowers will be recycled this week.

*Worship Leaders are needed for next Sunday, January 16th and January 30th.

*This Saturday morning, January 15th, we will have a listening and visioning retreat in Glen Echo's Fellowship Hall. The half-day event will begin at 9:30 AM, and coffee and treats will be provided.

Pastor Dawn will facilitate the morning as we pray, read scripture, discuss insights, and take time to listen for God's still, small voice. Everyone in the church is invited to participate in the retreat.

The last half hour of the gathering will become the January Board Meeting. If you are not a Board member, you are welcome to leave after the retreat or stay for the meeting. (There will not be a separate Board Meeting on the second Tuesday evening of the month, January 11th.)

*January 2022 – June 2023 Glen Echo Christian Church Calendars can be found on the table in the church entryway.

*The attendance numbers for Christmas Eve and December 26th are listed below:

December 24 – 67 in person + 61 online = 128

December 26 – 18 in person + 0 online = 18 (service wasn't videotaped)

*Please wear masks when you are in the building.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK
JANUARY 9-15, 2022

Today	Worship	10:15 AM
Wednesday	Encouraging Echoes	7:30 PM
Thursday	Contemplative Prayer	2:00 PM
Saturday	Retreat & Board Meeting	9:30 AM

Today's Serving Schedule

Accompanist:	Patty Bellus
Deacon:	Julie
Elder:	Julie
Minister:	The Reverend Dawn Ingram
Videographer:	David
Worship Leader:	Mary Ann

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