



***Our Vision***

*is to be Christ to each other and our  
community – doing justice, loving mercy  
and walking humbly with our God.*

*Sunday, August 2, 2020*

*Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## *Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

The Lord's Day

August 2, 2020

The Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Matthew Johnson

The Ministry of Music

Phillip Nicolai  
arr. Roger C. Wilson

*How Brightly Beams the Morning Star*  
Marcia Harris, organ

*As the candles are lighted, we celebrate the presence of Christ, who is the Light.*

The Passing of the Peace

The Hymn of Praise

REGENT SQUARE

*Angels, From the Realms of Glory*

1. Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth;  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!
2. Shepherds, in the field abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God on earth is now residing, yonder shines the infant light:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!
3. Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great desire of nations, ye have seen the infant's star:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!
4. Saints, before the altar bending, watching love in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn king!

The Pastoral Prayer

Matt Johnson

The Children's Lesson

Clare Johnson

The Gospel Reading

Matt Johnson

Matthew 2:1-12; NRSV

One: The Good News offered for all.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

Matt Johnson

*Wise Gifts*

The Service of Holy Communion

The Hymn of Response

DIX

*As With Gladness Men of Old*

1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright,  
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.
2. As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed,  
there to bend the knee before Christ whom heaven and earth adore,  
so may we with willing feet, ever seek the mercy seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare at the manger rude and bare,  
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.
4. Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;  
and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

The Offertory Prayer

Reed Brown

The Returning of Tithes & Giving of Offerings

The Offertory Music

Michael Pretorius  
edited by Robert Shaw

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*  
Sanctuary Choir  
(December 15, 2019)

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung.  
Of Jesse's lineage coming as saints of old have sung.  
It came a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind:  
with Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind.  
To show God's love aright she bore to us a savior, when half-spent was the night.

The Doxology

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him, above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Pastoral Benediction

Matt Johnson

The Ministry of Music

John Henry Hopkins, Jr.  
arr. Lynn Shaw Bailey

*We Three Kings*  
Marcia Harris, piano

*As we prepare for service, the Light of Christ goes out before us.*

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**FACEBOOK LIVE**  
**Bible Study**  
every Wednesday Night at 6:00pm

**Sunday School Time**  
every Sunday at 10am online

**Sunday Morning Worship Time**  
every Sunday at 11am online

All videos will be on our website ([www.fernwoodchurch.org](http://www.fernwoodchurch.org)) and on our Facebook page.

**Notification of Church Conference**

The voting period (Church Conference) begins upon receipt of your ballot and will be closed on August 20, 2020. The official ballots to vote on the Constitution, Church Procedures and Officers and Teachers was sent out by eblast on Thursday, July 30.

<b>All Members of Fernwood Baptist Church</b> .....	<b>Ministers</b>
Mrs. Suzanne Wynn Brown .....	Director of Music Ministries
Mrs. Marcia Harris .....	Assistant Music Associate
Rev. Matthew Johnson .....	Senior Pastor
Mrs. Angie M. Quinn.....	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Rebecca Turner .....	Music Associate
Dr. Stafford Turner.....	Acting Choir Director
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