

Invitation — At the table we have a meal that has sustained Christians over thousands of years,
a tangible reminder of God's self-giving love.

This table is for all baptized Christians, come and eat!

If you're not a baptized Christian, we're honored that you're here :)

We invite you to come forward to receive a blessing (you can put your hands together like this),
or remain in your seat if that's more comfortable.

But we do ask that you not partake in the elements to respect the sacredness of this meal for Christians.

We now invite everyone to stand to confess or consider the Apostles Creed.

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In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sending - Justin

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– the hope of our hearts, the hope of the world.

All: Thanks be to God!

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²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" ²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

³⁵ And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

³⁶ And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸ And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

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Lectura Bíblica (Spanish) - Lucas 1:26-38 (RVC) - Raul

²⁶ Seis meses después, Dios envió al ángel Gabriel a la ciudad galilea de Nazaret ²⁷ para ver a María, una virgen que estaba comprometida con José, un hombre que era descendiente de David. ²⁸ El ángel entró en donde ella estaba y le dijo: «¡Salve, muy favorecida! El Señor está contigo.» ²⁹ Cuando ella escuchó estas palabras, se sorprendió y se preguntaba qué clase de saludo era ése. ³⁰ El ángel le dijo: «María, no temas. Dios te ha concedido su gracia. ³¹ Vas a quedar encinta, y darás a luz un hijo, y le pondrás por nombre JESÚS. ³² Éste será un gran hombre, y lo llamarán Hijo del Altísimo. Dios, el Señor, le dará el trono de David, su padre, ³³ y reinará sobre la casa de Jacob para siempre, y su reino no tendrá fin.» ³⁴ Pero María le dijo al ángel: «¿Y esto cómo va a suceder? ¡Nunca he estado con un hombre!» ³⁵ El ángel le respondió: «El Espíritu Santo vendrá sobre ti, y el poder del Altísimo te cubrirá con su sombra. Por eso el Santo Ser que nacerá será llamado Hijo de Dios. ³⁶ También tu parienta Elisabet, la que llamaban estéril, ha concebido un hijo en su vejez, y ya está en su sexto mes de embarazo. ³⁷ ¡Para Dios no hay nada imposible!» ³⁸ María dijo entonces: «Yo soy la sierva del Señor. ¡Cúmplase en mí lo que has dicho!» Y el ángel se fue de su presencia.

One: La palabra del Señor

All: Gracias a Dios!



RESURRECTION CHURCH
Worship Gathering | 12.17.23
Third Sunday of Advent

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Alexander Pappas | Chardon Lewis | Colin Moore | CCLI # 7228983 | License #20020171

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Who was and is and is to come
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With eyes like fire and hair like wool (*Rev. 1:14*)
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Song of Response: I Wait

D. Leonard | L. Jordan | T. Jordan | Song # 7062639 | CCLI #20020171

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Song of Thanksgiving: The Doxology

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

A Dios el padre celestial
Al Hijo nuestro redentor
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- Parents, if you've already checked your kids in, you can send them down with our volunteer at the back of the room. If you haven't checked them in, please go down with them.
- There is a *space for feeding children in the side room to your right.*
- Our kids will rejoin us after the close of the sermon, so keep an eye out for your little one.

- OPTIONAL PRAYER: "Almighty God, heavenly Father, thank you for the joy and care of children. Give us courage, patience, and wisdom as we bring them up in the faith that they might never know a day apart from you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

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Ben Backus | Joel Smallbone | John Mason Neale | Luke Smallbone | Mark Campbell | Stephen Blake Kanicka | Stephen Lynch
Song # 7109193 | CCLI #20020171

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