



Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Morning Service: 11:00 a.m.

Evening Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

Calaveras Presbyterian Church meets at the theater of Bret Harte High School, 323 S. Main St., Angels Camp, California. CPC is a congregation of the Reformed Presbyterian Church – Hanover Presbytery. To donate to CPC, scan the QR code at the right →

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HYMN OF THE MONTH:

BREAK FORTH, O BEAUTOUS HEAVENLY LIGHT

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light,
And usher in the morning;
O shepherds, shrink not with afright,
But hear the angel's warning.
This Child, now weak in infancy,
Our confidence and joy shall be,
The power of Satan breaking,
Our peace eternal making.

Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,
to herald our salvation.
He stoops to earth, the God of might,
our hope and expectation.
He comes in human flesh to dwell,
our God with us, Immanuel,
the night of darkness ending,
our fallen race befriending

All blessing, thanks and praise to Thee,
Lord Jesus Christ, be given;
Thou hast our brother deigned to be,
Our foes in sunder riven.
O grant us through our day of grace
With constant praise to seek Thy face;
Grant us ere long in glory
With praises to adore thee.

MARY'S CAROL

I magnify the Lord with my voice,
In God my Savior I will rejoice,
For he has seen my lowliness
All generations will my name bless.

Chorus:

Great things the Mighty One has done for me
His Name Shall "Holy" forever be.

For those who fear Him from age to age
His strength and mercy have been displayed
He scatters thoughts in hearts filled with pride
Their thrones, the mighty He has denied.

(Chorus)

He lifts the souls of humble estate
Good things are placed on the hungry's plate
Though many think that they have no need,
He sends such "rich men" away empty.

(Chorus)

He helps His servant Israel
His mercy saves from the depths of hell.
To Abraham He'd spoken so bold
"I'll save your children both young and old."

(Chorus)

Tune: On Christmas Night, All Christians Sing (TH227)

Calaveras Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday in Advent



The Lord's Day, December 17, 2023

To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ...." — Ephesians 4:12-13

THE MORNING LITURGY

Announcements

Hymn of the Month: (see back page and overhead screen)

- *God's Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-9
- *Prayer of Invocation
- *God's Greeting: Isaiah 41:8-10
- *Hymn of Praise: 211 – "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"
- Reading and Exposition of the Law: Luke 1:26-38
- **Corporate and Individual (Silent) Prayers of Confession
- *God's Assurance of Pardon: Luke 1:49-50
- *Response of the Congregation: "THANKS BE TO GOD."
- *Hymn of Thanksgiving: 201 – "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
- Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed
- Congregational Prayer
- Giving of Tithes and Offerings
 - Offering Hymn: 434 vs. 1&4 – "Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver"
- *Hymn of Preparation: 229 – "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"
- Children's Message
- Scripture Lesson: Luke 1:39-56
- Prayer of Illumination
- Proclamation of God's Word: "The Carols of Christmas, Part 3: Mary's Carol"
- *Hymn of Response: "Mary's Carol" (see back page & overhead screen)
- *Charge to the Congregation
- *God's Benediction
- *Doxology: 731 – "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
- *CONGREGATION STANDING **IF ABLE AND SO INCLINED, WORSHIPERS MAY KNEEL*

NO EVENING SERVICE TODAY – 6:30 PM



The congregation is invited to attend the annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carol presented by Pastor Moes's orchestra and chorus at 6:30 p.m. at Ironstone Vineyards in Murphys. Hear how the Word of God proclaimed the coming the Incarnate Word, accompanied by the great music of the Incarnation.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **New Geneva School Christmas program** will be held tomorrow, Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Bret Harte Theater. Cookie reception to follow in the lobby.

The **Calvinist Cadets** and **American Heritage Girls** will be Christmas caroling at Murphys Diggins on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 4-6 p.m. Parents are welcome to join in.

Christmas Eve Carol "Singspiration": Next Sunday, Dec. 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Come to sing your favorite carols.

Sunday School quarterly presentations are upcoming on New Year's Eve Sunday, December 31, immediately following the morning service. Please plan on staying for a few minutes to encourage our youth.

Brent Hardy continues his series in the Adult Sunday School class on the **Prophecy of Amos** in the Old Testament. Come to hear this timeless message, pertinent to our own times.

An **informational class for prospective members is currently being presented**. The class is mandatory for membership, but taking the class does not require you to become a member. The class meets during the Sunday-School hour beginning at 9:30 a.m.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

- **SNACKS NEXT SUNDAY:** Karlinda Moes
DECEMBER 31: Sarah Jack
- **NURSERY THIS SUNDAY:** Wendy Hardy & Sadie Woden.
NEXT SUNDAY: Marijke & Josephine Joubert

FOR THE KIDS:

