

Covenant Church Presbyterian Church in America Fayetteville, Arkansas

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP THE LORD'S DAY

December 4, 2022 5:00 p.m.

Welcome & Announcements

- * Opening Prayer
- **+ Hymn of Praise**

#313 (TH #218)

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

Prayer Requests & Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 33:1-9

¹The word of the Lord came to me: ² "Son of man, speak to your people and say to them, If I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from among them, and make him their watchman, ³ and if he sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the trumpet and warns the people, ⁴ then if anyone who hears the sound of the trumpet does not take warning, and the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. ⁵ He heard the sound of the trumpet and did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But if he had taken warning, he would have saved his life. ⁶ But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any one of them, that person is taken away in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.

7 "So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. 8 If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. 9 But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Paul Sagan

"The Watchman Redux"

Closing Hymn

#314 (TH#211)

"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"

* Benediction

Sermon Outline December 4, 2022 PM Service

"The Watchman Redux"

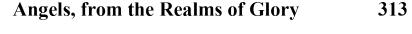
Introduction

- 1. The Duty of the People (vv. 1-5)
- 2. The Duty of the Watchman (vv. 6-9)

- 5. Oh, may we keep and ponder in our mind God's wondrous love in saving lost mankind! Trace we the babe, who hath retrieved our loss, from his poor manger to his bitter cross. Tread in his steps, assisted by his grace, till our imperfect state God doth replace.
- 6. Then may we hope, th'angelic throngs among, to sing, redeemed, a glad triumphal song; he that was born upon this joyful day around us all his glory shall display; saved by his love, incessant we shall sing eternal praise to heav'n's almighty King.

John Byrom, 1749; alt.

YORKSHIRE 10.10.10.10.10.10. John Wainwright, 1750





- 1. An gels, from the realms of glo ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
- 2. Shep-herds in the fields a bid ing, watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
- 3. Sa ges, leave your con-tem-pla-tions, bright-er vi-sions beam a far;
- 4. Saints be fore the al tar bend ing, watch ing long in hope and fear,
- 5. All cre a tion, join in prais ing God the Fa ther, Spir it, Son;



ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with man is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant Light:

• seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:

sud - den - ly the Lord, de-scend-ing, in his tem- ple shall ap- pear: ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to th'e - ter - nal Three in One:



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.



REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7. Henry Smart, 1867

James Montgomery, 1816, 1825

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THE BIRTH OF CHRIST



English carol, 18th cent.

GOD REST YOU MERRY 8.6.7.6.8.6.ref. English melody, 18th cent.