



Jan Richardson, *The Painted Prayer Book*

## Second Sunday after Christmas

January 3, 2021

Lake Shore Baptist Church

### Prelude

“The Child, The Light”  
Dennis McDuffie  
Cindy Fuller

### Welcome

Grant Dooley

*We are a welcoming and affirming community of Christians, attempting to discover, articulate, and embody the meaning of the Gospel in the world today. We welcome all at Lake Shore because we believe that God’s love knows no bounds.*

### Passing of the Peace

Grant Dooley

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

### Call to Worship

Gail Boyd

One: O God, you are the Word among all words who spoke words into being. But you did not remain a distant word, speaking only in the language of darkness and light, day and night, sea and stars.

Many: **You came to live among us, talking in the everyday language of all who long for a word of love, all who pray for a word of hope.**

One: Now we dare to speak to you in words of our creation. Take our words and live your grace through them. Transform our words and change our lives through them.

Many: **And when our words are too deep to speak aloud, we pray that your Spirit will speak them for us so that all the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts will be acceptable in your sight, O God, the Word beyond all words.**

### Epistle Reading

Acts 19:13-16  
Sharlande Sledge

One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

**Solo**

“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”  
arr. Heather Sorenson  
**Cindy Fuller**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Vernon Davis**

**Congregational Song**

“Once in Royal David’s City”  
IRBY  
arr. Jan Sanborn

Once in royal David’s city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

Jesus is our childhood’s pattern; day by day like us he grew,  
He was little, weak, and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew.  
Thus he feels for all our sadness, and he shares in all our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love;  
For that child who seemed so helpless lives and reigns in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 18:19-20  
**Richard Groves**

One: This is the Gospel of Grace.  
**Many: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

“In God’s Name”  
**Richard Groves**

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*  
**Richard Groves**

**Postlude**

“The Snow Lay on the Ground”  
arr. Robert Hughes  
**Cindy Fuller**

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