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Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Hymn No. 137 *What Child Is This?* (verse 1)

*Hymn No. 133 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (verse 1)

*Hymn No. 125 *Joy to the World* (verse 1)

*Invocation

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Responsive Scripture Reading

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Sermon

Dr. Paul A. Brown, Pastor

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT

Spiritual Needs ... Need for Humanity

Jesus Christ – the Servant

Why do we need a Servant?

*Hymn No. 145 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

Sermon continued

How does Jesus Christ, the Servant, meet those needs?

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *'O' Antiphons* (2 - See words in Long Order)

Sermon Concluded

How can we follow the example of the Servant?

Song of Response

Benediction

Choral Benediction No. 157 *Away in a Manger* (vs. 3)

Postlude

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT:

... my God will meet all your needs

according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

(Philippians 4:19)

God supplies our Social Needs (Matthew) – *Need for Identity*

..... **Situational Needs (Mark) – *Need for Humility***

..... Substantial Needs (Luke) – *Need for Maturity*

..... Spiritual Needs (John) – *Need for Security*

- I. Mark presents Jesus Christ as a servant. (10:43-45)
 - A. Christ did not come to be served.
 - B. Christ came to serve
 - C. Christ came to give his life as a ransom for many.

- II. Why do we need a servant? (*What are our practical needs?*)
 - A. We are lost – far removed from God. (Need for salvation)
 - B. We are burdened – deserving of God's punishment. (Need of the Gospel)
 - C. We need someone to show us the way. (Need for an example)

- III. How does Jesus – the Servant - meet those needs? (1:14-15)
 - A. Christ became a servant ... to get near the lost.
 - B. Christ became a servant ... to call us to repentance.
 - C. Christ became a servant ... to present the Gospel.
A king commands ... a servant invites

- IV. How can we follow the example of the servant?
 - A. God calls us to become His servants.
 - B. As servants we must be willing to serve all.
 - C. Our message, "Repent and believe the good news."

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*Hymn No. 137 *What Child Is This?* (verse 1)

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain:

*This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him praise—the Babe, the Son of Mary.*

*Hymn No. 133 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (verse 1)

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild—God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th' angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"

*Hymn No. 125 *Joy to the World* (verse 1)

Joy to the world! the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing.
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

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L: ...Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,

C: **Lord, I thank you for the grace you give me to serve those I know.**

L: ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

C: **Lord, I thank you for the grace you give me to serve those I do not know.**

L: ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

C: **Lord, at times I find it difficult to serve ... How can I follow your example when I desire to serve myself?** (Mark 10:43-45)

L: Take some time now to pray to the King – to the Servant – Jesus Christ, asking Him to give you a servant's heart.

Silent Prayer

L: ¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" (Mark 1:14-15)

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*Hymn No. 145 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels:

Refrain:

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him ~ Christ, the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
Sing all ye bright hosts of heav'n above;
Glory to God, all glory in the highest:

Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

Refrain:

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him ~ Christ, the Lord.

Postlude

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

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O come, let us adore Him ~ Christ, the Lord.

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Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *'O' Antiphons* (2)
*(The second Antiphon as referenced in
the lighting of the first Advent Candle.
Sung to the Tune No. 123)*

O come, O come, Thou Lord of Might,
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel. Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay