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PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONLY ZOOM SERVICE -- NO IN CHURCH until at least year end  
Directions for tuning into our virtual church services:  
COMPUTER: go to "[zoom.us](http://zoom.us)<<http://zoom.us>>" Click on "join a meeting".  
meeting ID# 969-591-1585  
TELEPHONE dial + 1. 646 558 8656 US (New York) Then put in your  
meeting ID# 969-591-1585  
After that press the # symbol located on your phone when asked for your  
participation ID.

**WELCOME HYMN #246** *“Joy to the World”* (vss. 1 & 2)

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King; let  
every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing, and  
heaven and nature sing, and  
heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.
2. Joy to the workd, the Savior reigns!  
Let all their songs employ; while  
fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy, re-  
peat the sounding joy, re-  
peat, repeat the sounding joy.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Based on Psalm 21:1-4)

Leader: In your strength the king rejoices, O Lord, and in your help how greatly  
he exults!

**People: You have given him his heart's desire, and have not withheld the request of his lips.**

Leader: For you meet him with rich blessings; you set a crown of fine gold on his head.

**People: He asked you for life; you gave it to him length of days forever and ever.**

### **THE APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of Heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead and buried\*\*,  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\*\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Please remember our Church family members:

Carla Jaffe	Ann Martin	Stephen Breda
Pastor Jim & Barbara		
Dwight Smith	Luella Ostrofsky	George Lindeberg
Ronald Latka		

### **PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORDS PRAYER:**

The Lord's Prayer:  
Our Father, who art  
in heaven, Hallowed  
be thy Name. Thy  
kingdom come. Thy  
will be done, on  
earth as it is in

heaven. Give us this  
day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our  
trespasses, as we  
forgive those who  
trespass against us.  
And lead us not into  
temptation, but  
deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the  
kingdom, and the  
power, and the  
glory, forever.  
Amen

**HYMN #191** “Jesus Loves Me”

**CHILDREN’S TIME** (All ZOOM viewers & listeners, please put yourself on MUTE)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Psalm 34:1-4 (Old Testament); Luke 19:36-40 (New Testament)

**SERMON**

*“Don’t Start What You Cannot Finish”*

Rev. Cleaven Johnson, Jr.

**OFFERTORY:** (solo: Joanne Kant) *“Go Tell It on the Mountain”* Arr. By Patsy Ford Simms

Please remember that there are bills to be paid to keep the church running and consider sending your offering in by mail.

**HYMN #247** *“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”* (vss. 1 & 2)

1. O Morning Star, how fair and bright thou  
beamest forth in truth and light, O  
Sovereign meek and lowly! Thou  
Root of Jesse, David’s Son, my  
Lord and Master, thou hast won my  
heart to serve thee solely! Thou art holy,  
fair and glorious, all victorious, rich in bless-  
ing, rule and might o’er possessing.
2. Thou heavenly Brightest Light divine! O  
deep within my heart now shine, and

make thee there an altar! Fill  
me with joy and strength to be they  
member, ever joined to thee in  
love that cannot falter toward thee longing  
doth possess me; turn and bless me; here to sad-  
ness eye and heart long for thy gladness!

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

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