

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP
Sunday, December 20, 2020, 10:30 a.m.
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "The Father's Rose" (11th century Plainsong, arr. Mark Hayes)
(medley of "Of the Father's Love Begotten" and "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming")

Opening Sentences

Hymn 94: "To a Maid Engaged to Joseph"

Lighting of the Advent Candles: The Candle of Love

Opening Prayer

Special Music: "Mary, Did You Know?" (Mark Lowry and Buddy Greene, arr. Jack Schrader)

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:46-55

And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Sermon: "**SINGING WITH WOMEN**"

Hymn 108 (Pilgrim Hymnal): "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

Benediction

Benediction Response 580 (v. 1): "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again"

Today's Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Pastor Jacob Richards,
Barb Fuller, Gail Sawyer, Lorraine Finison

Unison

1. To a maid en - gaged to Jo - seph, The an - gel Ga - briel
 2. "For you are high - ly fa - vored By God, the Lord of
 3. But Mar - y was most trou - bled To hear the an - gel's
 4. "Fear not, for God is with you, And you shall bear a
 5. "How shall this be?" said Mar - y, "I am not yet a
 6. As Mar - y heard the an - gel, She won - dered at his

came. "Fear not," the an - gel told her, "I
 all, Who e - ven now is with you. You
 word. What was the an - gel say - ing? It
 child. His name shall be called Je - sus, God's
 wife." The an - gel an - swered quick - ly "The
 words. "Be - hold, I am your hand - maid," She

come to bring good news. Good news I come to
 are on earth most blest, You are most blest, most
 trou - bled her to hear, To hear the an - gel's
 off - spring from on high. And He shall reign for -
 pow'r of the Most High Will come up - on you
 said un - to her God. "So be it, I am

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tell you, Good news, I say, good news.
bless - ed, God chose you, you are blest!"
mes - sage, It trou - bled her to hear.
ev - er, For - ev - er reign on high."
short - ly; Your child will be God's child."
read - y Ac - cord - ing to your Word."

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608
Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

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Melody by Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608
Harm. by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

1 Wake, a-wake, for night is fly - ing; The watch-men on the
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing; Her heart with deep de -

heights are cry - ing, A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!
light is spring - ing, She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom,

Mid-night's sol - emn hour is toll - ing; His char-iot wheels are
For her Lord comes down all glo - rious, In grace ar - rayed, by

near - er roll - ing; He comes! O Church, lift up thine eyes!
truth vic - to - rious; Her star is risen, her light is come!