To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come—

this church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome in the name
of the Lord Jesus Christ.

MORNING WORSHIP
The Curse-Breaker
Dr. Liam Goligher

EVENING WORSHIP
Immanuel
Dr. Liam Goligher

December 3, 2017
9:00/11:00 AM

Prelude

Sicut Locutus Est (Even as He Promised) from Magnificat  
J. S. Bach/arr. Graham Bastable

Noël  
Louis-Claude D’Aquin/arr. James Hala

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed  
Samuel Wesley/arr. John Ness Beck

Hail to the Lord’s anointed, great David’s greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;  
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

Westminster Brass

Call to Worship

* Doxology (Trinity Hymnal 731) Old Hundredth
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Advent Collect (from The Book of Common Prayer)
Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility;  
that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we  
may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now  
and for ever. Amen.

* The Gospel’s Assurance of Pardon

* Invocation

* Hymn 203: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing  
Mendelssohn

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Announcements

* Hymn 194: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel  
Veni Emmanuel
(In the 11:00 service, Praisemakers, ages 4–5, may go to B2; Praisemakers Plus, grades 1–2, may go to B1.)

* Offering Prayer

Offertory: In Dulci Jubilo  
trad. German melody/arr. A. Frackenpohl
Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say:  
Jesus Christ is born today; earth and heaven before him bow, and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Westminster Brass

Scripture Reading  
Genesis 3:15 (page 3)

Sermon Series: Advent..The Curse-Breaker  
Dr. Liam Goligher

Prayer

* Hymn 211: God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen  
God Rest You Merry

* Congregation standing
* Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed 381

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper (gluten-free bread is in the center cup)

Words of invitation

Distribution of the elements

Proclamation of the mystery of our faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

Hymn 193: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

(Please remain seated while the deacons’ offering is received. Stand for the final stanza.)

* Benediction

Postlude: Finale from Concertato on Hyfrydol

Mark Schweizer
Westminster Brass

UPCOMING EVENTS

A Great and Mighty Wonder: Service of Lessons & Carols: Saturday & Sunday, December 23 & 24, 7:15 PM

(doors open at 6:30 PM) Always a highlight of the season, the Lessons and Carols Services at Tenth Church celebrate the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ through Scripture readings, joyful carol singing, and a homily by Dr. Liam Goligher. The Tenth Church Choir and Westminster Brass will provide festive musical accompaniments and anthems heralding Christ’s coming. Please join with us in celebrating the advent of the King.

Tenth Family Christmas: Sunday, December 24, 4:30 PM

Westminster Brass, and the Tenth Children’s Strings and Choirs will offer their musical talents as part of this service for the whole family. Dr. Liam Goligher will be speaking.

New Year’s Eve: Sunday, December 31, 6:30 PM

Communion will be served.

* Congregation standing
Soli Deo Gloria is a motto that has been used since the time of the Protestant Reformation. It is the culminating phrase of five “Solas” and means “Glory to God Alone.” Soli Deo Gloria affords musicians (singers and instrumentalists alike) the opportunity to give back to God from the gifts He has given them. At the same time, the music is intended to encourage the congregation and to be a public testimony of our desire at Tenth Church to honor Him with our musical offerings.

6:30 PM

Call to Worship

Invocation

* Hymn 196: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
  * Hymn 207: Good Christian Men, Rejoice
  * Prayer of Confession
  Our gracious Father, You sent Your Son to die and rise to new life in order that death might be destroyed and that we might live a new life. Yet we have often chosen our own way rather than Your way. We have rebelled against You in thought, word and deed. In doing so, we have grieved You, hurt others, and damaged ourselves. Forgive our sin for Jesus’ sake, and grant that we may walk in the ways of love and holiness to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

* The Gospel’s Assurance of Pardon
  In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

* Doxology (Trinity Hymnal 733)
  (Catechism Club may leave to attend their program.)
  Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
  Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
  Praise Him above ye heav’nly host,
  Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Preparation

God’s Word Read

* Congregation standing
* Hymn 230: *Thou Who Wast Rich Beyond All Splendor*  
* Offering Prayer

**Offertory: Comfort, Comfort**  
“Comfort, comfort now my people; tell of peace!” so says our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness, mourning under sorrow's load.
To God’s people now proclaim that God's pardon waits for them!
Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever!
For the herald’s voice is crying in the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance, since the Kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way!
Let the valleys rise to meet Him, and the hills bow down to greet Him!
Straight shall be what long was crooked, and the rougher places plain!
Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits His holy reign!
For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token that God’s word is never broken.

Tenth Church Choir

Sermon Series: Advent...Immanuel  
Dr. Liam Goligher

Prayer

* Hymn 201: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*  
* Benediction

**Postlude: Praise to the Lord of Hosts from Christmas Oratorio**  
Camille Saint-Saëns  
Colin Howland, organ

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**PROJECT OF THE MONTH: TENTH OUTREACH GIVING**

As we approach the end of the year and thank God for all His blessings, we want to be sure to meet our commitments to our outreach partners, both in metro Philadelphia and around the world. Our partners are doing amazing things in the power of the Spirit through your prayers. They are involved in church planting, Bible translation, evangelism to unreached people, theological education, medical ministry, and media.

Cash or checks made payable to Tenth Presbyterian Church, with “December Project of the Month” on the memo line, may be placed in offering plates or one of the oak boxes at the Sanctuary entrances.

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**THE SHORTER CATECHISM, circa 1647**

One of the documents that explains what our church and denomination believe is known as the Shorter Catechism. We are including in the bulletin a series of questions and answers dealing with some of the essential doctrines of our faith.

**Question 19: What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?**

**Answer:** All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

* Congregation standing
WELCOME
We are delighted to have you worship with us. Please stop at our welcome center in the narthex (Spruce Street lobby). Information is also available at tenth.org and in the Delancey lobby. Between morning services, we invite you to Reception Hall for light refreshments.

Serving on the platform: 9 AM—Carroll Wynne, Enrique Leal; 11 AM—George McFarland, Jerry McFarland; 6:30 PM—Deryck Barson, Oliver Pierce.

Tenth has Wi-Fi. Connect to the “Tenth” network and follow the prompts.

If members have a smartphone, they may download the Church Life app from their app store and have the church directory and calendar available all the time. Once downloaded, log in with the same username and password as for AccessTenth. Members who have not already used AccessTenth can sign up for a login if their email is in our database (use quick link, upper right at www.tenth.org). If you want us to add your email to our database, contact Pattie at plee@tenth.org.

The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday noon (earlier if a short work week). Announcements for prayer can be submitted past the deadline and will be included when possible (otherwise the following week).

Large print bulletins and hymns are available in the narthex—they are in black binders. Hearing assistance devices and large print Bibles are also available nearby. Please return all of these to the same location after use. An American Sign Language interpreter is present at evening services at the sanctuary front (18th Street side).

Post and find ads for events, housing, jobs, services and more at tenth.org/classifieds. See similar information on bulletin boards near the 17th Street exit between Reception Hall and the Delancey lobby.

Please keep your belongings close to you. We have had occasional thefts.

Use 2017 parking placards if you park in approved locations on the street. Copies are in the lobbies.

Please do not bring food or drinks into the Sanctuary.

Lost-and-found is in labeled compartments in the mailroom off the Delancey lobby.

TENTH NEWS

TODAY’S EVENTS

Please pick up your offering envelopes in Reception Hall today.

Coffee is available in the lobby at 1710 before 9 AM Bible School classes.

Today all Adult Bible School classes meet in Fellowship Hall at 9 AM for our quarterly Day of Prayer. Please come and pray for our church and for its ministry.

We celebrate communion at morning worship services today. Members, please use a welcome card to record your participation. Following communion, the Deacons’ offering will be taken to help those in our church who have difficult financial circumstances.

Tenth College Fellowship meets in 1710 Spruce, large conference room, 9:30 AM, for coffee, donuts, conversation, and study of Romans.

The church library is open 10:25-10:55 AM in C1 and C4.

Internationals Outreach (IO) meets for worship on Sundays at 11 AM in Fellowship Hall. Contact Enrique at eleal@tenth.org with questions.

Prayer intercessors are available to pray with you after the 11 AM service. Find them near Catacombs room C6.

Parish 5 is having its annual Christmas luncheon in the large conference room at 1710 Spruce today after the 11 AM service. The cost will be $8 per person or $20 per family. Please plan to bring a dessert or salad or side dish.

The James M Boice Foundation for Women is holding its fourth annual benefit concert today at 2:30 PM at the Ethical Society of Philadelphia. JMB provides scholarship support for African women. Admission is free; go to jmbfoundation.squarespace.com for information.

The Bible School Christmas program is at 4:30 PM today in Fellowship Hall. Children will perform instrumentals and vocals; light refreshments will be served. All are invited.

Maranatha choir’s last rehearsal is today! Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited to come to B3 at 5:15 PM. We are learning Christmas songs to sing later in December. Contact Eleanor Bracey for details at ebracey@tenth.org.

Tenth Children’s Music begins at 6:10 PM. Contact Joseph Waggoner at jwaggoner@tenth.org.
UPCOMING EVENTS

An Advent Bible study, “Brief Announcements of the Kingdom,” will be held in West Philly at the Duggans on Wednesdays, December 6, 13, and 20, at 7 PM. Join us for a look at Jesus’ instructions to his disciples in Luke 9, fellowship, and food. For information or to RSVP, contact Sylvia at syduggan@verizon.net. We hope to start a bi-monthly study in the new year, so come get a preview.

Anyone who likes to sing Christmas carols, whether you are talented or just enthusiastic, is invited to join us outside of Tenth on Friday, December 8, 6:30 PM, to sing some carols for families coming to the church for the annual City School Christmas concert given by the high school students. If you’re interested, please email Eric Schwenk.

Parish 4 men will hold a men’s prayer breakfast at the Wayne Panera (319 E. Lancaster Ave, Wayne, PA, between St. Davids & Aberdeen Roads, on north side of street) Saturday, December 9, 7:30 AM. Contact Paul Reimold.

Do you have an international friend who needs to hear the true meaning of Christmas? Invite him/her along with you to the Internationals Outreach Christmas party on Saturday, December 9, 5:30–8 PM, in Fellowship Hall. This will be a fun evening that includes a Christmas dinner, drama, and carols. There is no charge for the dinner, but please bring a dessert/cookies. For additional questions, contact Enrique at eleal@tenth.org.

The next infant baptism is December 10. To sign up (please specify either the 9 AM or 11 AM service), contact Helen at hsneller@tenth.org.

Tenth Business Network meets next Sunday, December 10, at 9 AM in 1716 Spruce, second floor rear. Join them as they discuss Chapter 10 of The Call. Attendees are asked to review the questions for each chapter before each meeting as this is a good launch pad to interesting discussion. As always, we will try to personalize Os Guinness’ points to our individual work situations.

Parish 6 has an opportunity to serve our homeless neighbors at next Sunday’s Community Dinner. Help is needed with food preparation and hosting in Fellowship Hall after the 11 AM service. Contact David at dapple@tenth.org or x224.

Westminster Seminary in Glenside, Pennsylvania, is the site for David Apple’s Deacon and Mercy Training on Saturday, December 16, 9 AM–12 PM. Registration is free for Tenth members. RSVP to dapple@tenth.org.

Racial healing is the focus of ACTS Bridge-Builders ministry, this month learning from David Apple’s teaching on the rich man and the poor man in James 2. Join us on December 17 at 1 PM in Fellowship Hall as we eat, talk, and pray together. Please RSVP to dapple@tenth.org.

If you have wondered what a medical ethicist does, what difficult cases they have to decide, and how their opinions could affect you and your family, come hear our own local medical ethicist Dr. Bill Edgar speak on “The Practice of Medical Ethics in our Community.” This lunch and talk will be on January 7, 12:45 PM, at Tenth Presbyterian Church. This is a joint event of Medical Campus Outreach and Tenth City Network. Email Lauren at mco.smi.tenth@gmail.com with questions.

Join Bruce McDowell and Enrique Leal for prayer on Wednesdays, 5:30–6 PM, in 3 West.

Join Internationals Outreach West Philadelphia for a weekly Bible study at 5:30 PM at The City School at Spruce Hill, 42nd and Baltimore. Contact Enrique at eleal@tenth.org or x223.

OPPORTUNITIES

Juliana Levinthal is hoping to go to Puerto Rico with a short-term team of five Tenth members in early July. Please contact Juliana Levinthal if you are interested in participating.

The City School is seeking a part-time high school advanced algebra teacher. Please see www.cityschool.org for more information.

To learn how to participate in our denomination’s relief efforts, go to pcamna.org/disaster-response/storms.

Tenth has Bible studies throughout the metropolitan area. Pick up a parish flyer in our lobbies to learn the small group Bible study contact for each area or go to tenth.org to find a group.

Tenth’s media ministry is seeking individuals interested in operating sound, webcast, and other technical outreaches. See Steve Kohler or email skohler@tenth.org.
No Falling Word, Dr. Goligher’s weekly radio broadcast and webcast, can now be accessed from tenth.org. See the new No Falling Word box at the bottom of Tenth’s homepage. Since early 2014, this service of the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals has rebroadcast Liam’s archived sermons. The page can also put you in touch with former ministers’ radio broadcasts.

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PRAY FOR

Kathleen Ferwerda; her mother, Mary Ann Woodrow, died Thanksgiving morning.

Speedy and complete recovery for Kathy Kunkle following her recent emergency surgery.

Members who have ongoing health needs: Charlotte Ackerman, Clare Arnesen, Bob Caldwell, Marjorie Calvanico, Catherine Clinton, David Crossman, Allen D’Acenzo, Brian Forde, Paul Graves, Jim Hetherington, Cyndy Hunt, Wally Jones, Frank Palumbo, Lois Palumbo, Temmie Pearson, Sarah Peterman, Nancy Siegel, Ronald Smith, Howard Vos, Saundra Wiggins, Chazz Williams, Maxine Young.

Members serving in the military: James C., Edward Dawson, Ayanna Gardner, Christopher Hala, JD Hala, Stephen Kelley, James Kenis, Quinn Laidig, John Nothacker, Rusty Pfeifer, Elijah Riggs, and Peter Shevchenko. Contact Dot at dboersma@tenth.org or x233 to update or add others to this list.

Those of our congregation who are seeking employment. Check our 17th Street stairwell bulletin boards for housing and employment opportunities.

The trustees report the following giving totals as of November 26, 2017:

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The Project of the Month offering as of November 26 is $497.
Tenth carries out its gospel-centered mission of proclaiming God’s truth to those of us near and far away through servants who are “worthy of their hire” in their faithful work. Tenth’s funds support those servants and cover other expenses (for our church ministries as well as maintenance, utilities, etc.) that keep the gospel work going, while we seek to create space for future gospel work through the Capital Campaign.

Our combined Church Ministry Fund and Outreach Fund budgets call for 2017 combined giving of $3,047,430. To date, our giving is significantly below amounts needed for this time of year. Seasonally-adjusted projections suggest a significant year-end gap in those two funds; without seasonal adjustments, projections are far more concerning. Please join Tenth’s Elders and Trustees as we re-commit ourselves to prayer and consider sacrificial giving toward our ongoing ministry for the gospel in Philadelphia and around the world.
SERVICES NEXT WEEK

9:00/11:00 AM:  Morning Worship  
Dr. Bruce McDowell

6:15/6:30 PM:  Soli Deo Gloria/Evening Worship  
Dr. Liam Goligher

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nursery care is available during all services. For Adult/Youth/Children’s Bible School opportunities, see our Bible School brochure available in our lobbies, or visit our website at tenth.org.

DIRECTIONS AND SUNDAY PARKING

An Attending Services placard, which is available in our lobbies, must be placed on the front dashboard of your car for parking in permitted areas on the street. See the parking areas listed on the placard. The main reduced-rate garage is between 17th and 18th on South Street. Parking lot tickets must be stamped in the Narthex or Delancey Lobby. Free parking is available on Sundays in the Liberty Place Garage (north of Chestnut Street, from 16th to 17th Street). Free “chaser” tickets are available in Reception Hall after services. See tenth.org/parking for all parking details and directions.

RESOURCES

Explore the church and our ministries at tenth.org. At the site, you may view services live, as well as past services. Tenth members and regular attendees may also link to the church’s database using the AccessTenth link from the home page.

The church library is open between morning services, 10:30-11:00, in Catacombs rooms C1 and C4.

ABOUT TENTH

We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America adhering to the authority of Scripture and confessing the doctrine contained in the Westminster Standards. Tenth was founded in 1829, its present structure was designed by John McArthur Jr., and built in 1855-1857. The interior was redesigned by Frank Miles Day in 1893. More information about history and architecture is at tenth.org/history.