



# Burlington

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## Baptist Church

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### *The Dawning of Another Year*

*God has made everything beautiful  
in its own time,  
and set eternity  
in the heart of humankind.*

*Go forth with your hand  
in the hand of God,  
and tread gladly  
into the unknown of this New Year.*

from Ecclesiastes 3 and M.E. Haskins "The Gate of the Year"

## Sunday, January 2, 2022

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*Welcome* to Burlington Baptist Church today!

## WE APPROACH GOD

Time is a fleeting commodity.  
We pause in these few moments  
to contemplate what is Holy in our lives,  
and to be drawn into the Presence of God  
as we are blessed in the music of the Prelude.  
Amen.

**Prelude**                    “In Dulci Jubilo”                    Linda  
                                      (In Sweet Rejoicing’ 14<sup>th</sup> Century/R. Behnke)

**Welcome and Announcements**                    Sylvia

**Prayer and Preparation**

## WE PRAISE GOD

**Call to Worship**                    Rev. Gary Caldwell

LEADER: The story we tell is an old, old, story.

PEOPLE: **For in the beginning, God created. And it was good.**

LEADER: But God did not stop nor abandon our world.

PEOPLE: **Ours is a story of Gospel, of Good News,**

LEADER: of the Spirit of Christ alive in our world.

PEOPLE: **To continue in God’s creating, we are called  
to see that new thing which can come to pass  
in our day and in our communities.**

LEADER: And so, we approach this new year  
with hope and with determination.

PEOPLE: **Turning our hearts to that which is  
of the ultimate in meaning; renewing our spirits  
in the epiphanies which shall be ours.**

LEADER: May it be so.

\* Hymn of Praise “A Day of New Beginnings” (Tune: St. Clement)

1. *This is a day of new beginnings,  
time to remember and move on,  
time to believe what love is bringing,  
laying to rest the pain that's gone.*
2. *For by the life and death of Jesus,  
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,  
can make for us a world of difference  
as faith and hope are born again.*
3. *Then let us with the Spirit's daring,  
step from the past and leave behind  
our disappointment, guilt and grieving,  
seeking new paths and sure to find.*
4. *Christ is alive, and goes before us  
to show and share what love can do.  
This is a day of new beginnings –  
our God is making all things new.*
5. *In faith we'll gather 'round the table  
to taste and share what love can do.  
This is a day of new beginnings –  
our God is making all things new.*

Prayer of Approach

A Gift of Song “Puer Nobis”

Gina, Lisa, Sharyn, Malcolm

(‘Unto Us A Boy is Born’) 14<sup>th</sup> Century

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

Prayers of the People of God

The Offering “We Three Kings”

(John Hopkins Jr; arr. Lary Shackley)

\* Offertory Prayer      “As Those of Old” (verse 3)      712 - GG

*In gratitude and humble trust, we bring our best today,  
to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.  
O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your son,  
help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done. Amen.*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures

Marina

Hebrew Lesson: Ecclesiastes 3: 1 - 13

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2: 1 - 12

Sermon: “It’s About Time”

## GOD SENDS US FORTH

\* Hymn of Response      “All the Way My Savior Leads Me” (Fanny Crosby)

- 1. All the way my Savior leads me;  
What have I to ask beside?  
Can I doubt His tender mercy,  
who through life has been my guide?  
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,  
here by faith in Him to dwell!  
For I know, whate'er befall me,  
Jesus doeth all things well;  
For I know, whate'er befall me,  
Jesus doeth all things well.*
- 2. All the way my Savior leads me—  
cheers each winding path I tread,  
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,  
Feeds me with the living bread.  
Though my weary steps may falter  
And my soul athirst may be,  
Gushing from the rock before me,*

(over)

*Lo! a spring of joy I see;  
Gushing from the rock before me,  
Lo! A spring of joy I see.*

3. *All the way my Savior leads me—  
Oh, the fullness of His love!  
Perfect rest to me is promised  
In my Father's house above.  
When my spirit, clothed immortal,  
Wings its flight to realms of day,  
This my song through endless ages:  
Jesus led me all the way;  
This my song through endless ages:  
Jesus led me all the way.*

## Benediction

### Postlude

#### “Gaudete”

Anne Mizen (Contemporary Canadian)  
(The refrain, ‘Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est’  
Translates ‘Rejoice, Jesus Christ is Born’)