



**CHRIST**  
Presbyterian Church

**BURKE**

**Lord's Day Worship**  
November 30, 2025

*First Sunday of Advent*

## WELCOME

*During Christian worship we cross the threshold  
of the secular to the sacred,  
from the common to the uncommon,  
from the profane to the holy.*

*Our contact with the holy is not merely an encounter  
with a different dimension of reality;  
it is the meeting with Absolute Reality.*

*Christianity is not about involvement with religious experience as a tangent.  
It involves a meeting with a holy God.<sup>1</sup>*

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* words Latin antiphons (12th Century)

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here,  
until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

*O come, thou Dayspring from on high,  
and cheer us by thy drawing nigh;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
and death's dark shadows put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP: ISAIAH 9:6–7

Minister: For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
<sup>7</sup> Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end

Church: **The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.**

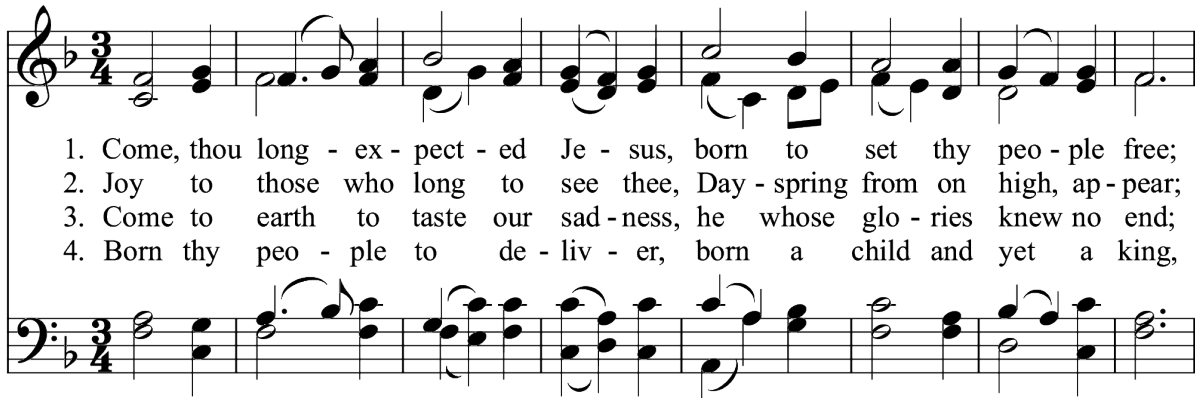
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<sup>1</sup> R.C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God* (Peabody: Hendrickson, 2010), 144, 146.

# HYMN OF ADORATION

## Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Day - spring from on high, ap - pear;  
3. Come to earth to taste our sad - ness, he whose glo - ries knew no end;  
4. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.  
come, thou prom - ised Rod of Jes - se, of thy birth we long to hear!  
by his life he brings us glad - ness, our Re - deem - er, Shep - herd, Friend.  
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,  
O'er the hills the an - gels sing - ing news, glad tid - ings of a birth:  
Leav - ing rich - es with - out num - ber, born with - in a cat - tle stall;  
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
"Go to him, your prais - es bring - ing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."  
this the ev - er - last - ing won - der, Christ was born the Lord of all.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

St. 1, 4, Charles Wesley, 1744

St. 2-3, Mark E. Hunt, 1978

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Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1830

## **THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED<sup>2</sup>**

**All: We 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 his 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 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 and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;  
and ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at 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 we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life;  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And we believe one holy catholic<sup>3</sup> and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;**

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<sup>2</sup> The Nicene Creed (AD 325, 381) is the ancient church's statement on what the Scriptures teach about God: that he is a Trinity of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit: co-equal and co-eternal persons inside the Godhead.

<sup>3</sup> The word "catholic" derives from the Greek word *katholikos*, which means universal. The catholic church is the universal church, which is invisible, consisting of all Christians in every church that have been, are, or shall be gathered under Christ the Head. See Westminster Confession of Faith 25:1. The Nicene Creed predates the church's division into the Western (Roman Catholic) Church and the Eastern (Orthodox) Church or the Reformation of the Western Church that came much later.

**and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING: PSALM 2**

Why do the nations rage

and the peoples plot in vain?

<sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers take counsel together,  
against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,

<sup>3</sup>“Let us burst their bonds apart  
and cast away their cords from us.”

<sup>4</sup>He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
the Lord holds them in derision.

<sup>5</sup>Then he will speak to them in his wrath,  
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

<sup>6</sup>“As for me, I have set my King  
on Zion, my holy hill.”

<sup>7</sup>I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.

<sup>8</sup>Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.

<sup>9</sup>You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”

<sup>10</sup>Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.

<sup>12</sup>Kiss the Son,  
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>4</sup>**

**All: Almighty and All-Holy Father,  
we confess ourselves unworthy of Your unspeakable Gift.  
We have not loved You as we ought;  
nor have we been loving or forgiving to one another;  
even as You have forgiven us.  
We have lived in selfishness and worldly pride;  
and the good gifts You have bestowed upon us;  
we have not used to relieve the burdens of others.  
Pardon and blot out our offenses, we beseech You;  
through our incarnate Lord, Your holy Son, we pray. Amen.**

An Advent Confession, Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (1946)

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON: JOHN 3:16–18A (NKJV)**

**Minister: For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have  
everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send His Son into the world to  
condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be  
saved. <sup>18</sup> He who believes in Him is not condemned**

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<sup>4</sup> In our prayer of confession, we are honest with God, with ourselves, and with each other about who God is and who we are, confessing to Him that He is holy, righteous, just, and loving; and that we are not; yet, we are trusting in His mercy and grace available in Jesus Christ. We then have the joy of hearing God's Word say that He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins when we confess (1 John 1:9). And we have the joy of responding in song.

# HYMN OF CONFESSION

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## Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

*Unison*

1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on  
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard  
4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim, with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,  
on the way, as the Light of light de - scend - eth  
sleep - less eye, veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

for with bless - ing in his hand, Christ our God to  
in the bod - y and the blood, he will give to  
from the realms of end - less day, that the pow'rs of  
as with cease - less voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.  
all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.  
hell may van - ish as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

## **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

*As the Apostle Paul encouraged churches to "Greet one another" (Romans 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:26), please greet those around you, and please introduce yourself to anyone you do not know.*

## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

*Christ intercedes for His church in prayer (John 17; Luke 23:34; Hebrews 7:25), and He gives His church the ministry of praying "with each other for each other" as well praying for the community in which our church is placed (1 Timothy 2:1–4). We also use this time to pray for the advancement of God's kingdom in the world (Matthew 6:10).*

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING: LUKE 23:1–12**

Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. <sup>2</sup> And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king." <sup>3</sup> And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." <sup>4</sup> Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no guilt in this man." <sup>5</sup> But they were urgent, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place."

<sup>6</sup> When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup> And when he learned that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. <sup>8</sup> When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him. <sup>9</sup> So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. <sup>10</sup> The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup> And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup> And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

## **PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD**

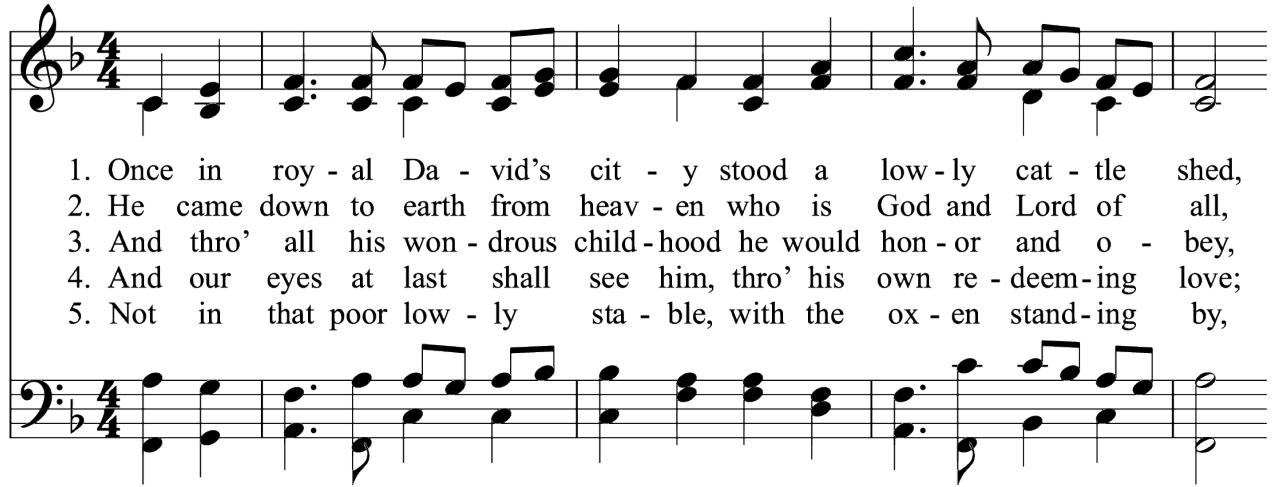
*The King before Kings*

Robert D. Hasler, Minister

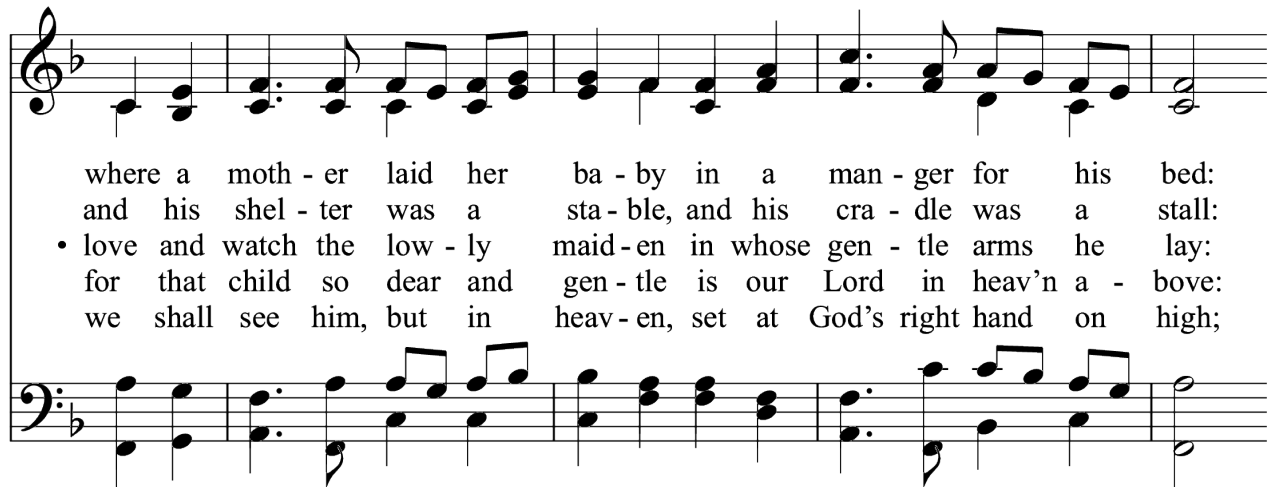
# HYMN OF RESPONSE

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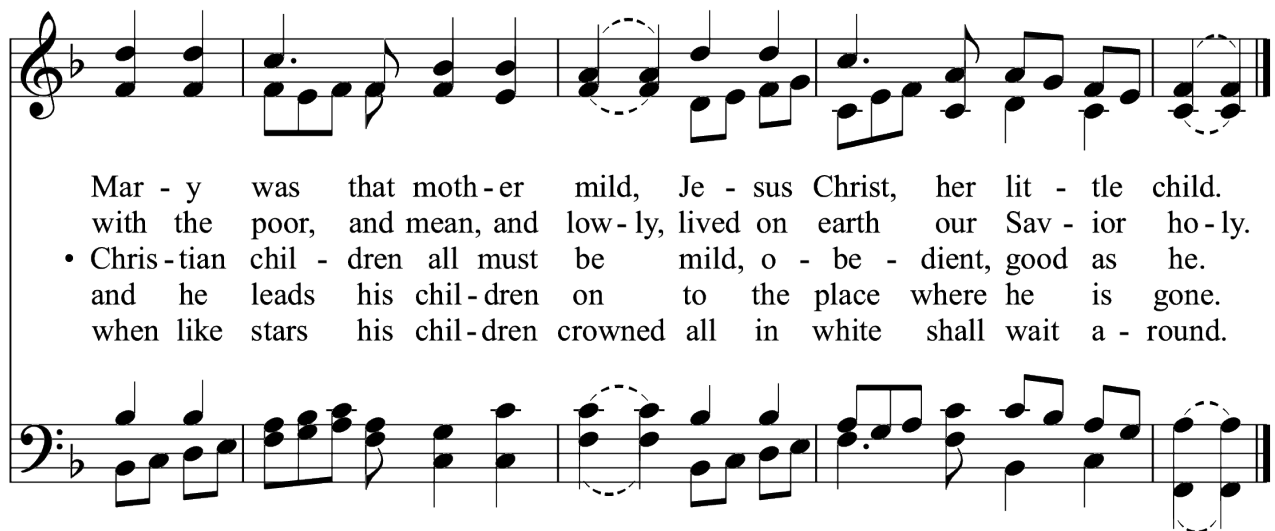
## Once in Royal David's City



1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,  
2. He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of all,  
3. And thro' all his won - drous child - hood he would hon - or and o - bey,  
4. And our eyes at last shall see him, thro' his own re - deem - ing love;  
5. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing by,



where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:  
and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall:  
• love and watch the low - ly maid - en in whose gen - tle arms he lay:  
for that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove:  
we shall see him, but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high;



Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ, her lit - tle child.  
with the poor, and mean, and low - ly, lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
• Chris - tian chil - dren all must be mild, o - be - dient, good as he.  
and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.  
when like stars his chil - dren crowned all in white shall wait a - round.

# SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**Meditation: Song of Mary**, words of Luke 1:46–55 adapted by Lou Ann Schafer (2015)

Set to the tune PUER NOBIS NASCITUR by Michael Praetorius (1609)

1. *My soul doth magnify the Lord;  
my spirit doth rejoice in God,  
for he, my Savior, did in grace  
his servant's humble state regard.*
2. *Behold, all generations hence  
my blessedness will e'er proclaim.  
The Mighty One hath done great things  
for me, and holy is his name.*
3. *For generations, fearing him,  
his mercy will on them abide.  
His mighty arm displays his strength;  
he scatters those who dwell in pride.*
4. *He cast the mighty from their thrones,  
and lifted those of low estate.  
The hungry he hath filled with good;  
the rich he empty sent away.*

## Sermon Notes

*The King before Kings*

Luke 23:1–12

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*During our prayer of thanksgiving, we express our thankfulness for what the Lord has provided, and we ask him to use our tithes and offerings to advance his kingdom and provide for those in need. Our church has three opportunities to give: (1) over the internet, (2) the collection box on the back table, or (3) by mail. Please see the announcements page for details.*

## HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

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### Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:  
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.  
Louis Bourgeois, 1551

## BENEDICTION: EPHESIANS 3:20–21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,<sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Leadership.** Christ Presbyterian is served by the following leaders:

- Teaching Elders: Porter Harlow and Robert Hasler
- Ruling Elders: Scott Hatch, Kevin Horrigan, David Hudak, and Philip Lee
- Deacons: Nathanael Achor, Gunnar Conrow, David Och, Wade Woo, Chuck Virts
- Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Bethany Fernandez, Kristy Hatch, and Lee Ann Hudak

**Giving.** You may support the work of the Lord by giving in the following ways.

- **Internet.** Go to <https://cpcburke.org/support> or you may scan this QR Code.
- **Offering Box.** You may place your offering in the wooden box on the back table. Offering boxes were used in Old Testament synagogues (Luke 21:1-4). The early church continued to use them. Most churches eliminated them when they made the collection part of the worship service. During the Reformation, some churches returned to the practice, and with the increasing use of electronic giving, many churches are returning to the Biblical precedent of offering boxes.



## Recurring Events

- **First Sunday Fellowship Meals** on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- **Sunday School.** We offer Sunday School after worship starting at 11:05 AM for children ages 0-3 in the nursery, Pre-K to K next to the nursery, 1st to 5th grades meet in the pod outside the nursery before breaking into their 2 classes, Middle and High School meet in the music room, and the adults meet in sanctuary.
- **Small Groups**
  - Wednesday Small Group meets weekly at 7:30 pm in the Hudak home.
  - Friday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Fridays at 6:00 pm in a rotating home.
  - Sunday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Sundays at 4:00 pm in a rotating home.
- **Men's Breakfast** meets on the second Saturday of each month.
- **Women's Fellowship.** The Women's Bible Study meets on the third Saturday of each month.

**Missions We Support.** Please pray for the missions we support.

- **Church Planting in DC Area.** One Voice Fellowship, pastored by Chris Sicks, is a multilingual church on mission to reach ethnic and religious minorities in Falls Church.
- **Church Planting in Dearborn, Michigan.** Jerry Riendeau is preparing to plant in Dearborn, Michigan, home to the largest Arabic speaking population outside the Middle East.
- **Church Planting in England.** Oxford Presbyterian Church is a church being planted in Oxford, England, by Andy Young.
- **Church Planting in Japan.** Jason & Ai Kueh are PCA missionaries planting in Shin-Urayasu, a Tokyo suburb. Jason is also ordained in the Presbyterian Church in Japan.
- **Church Planting in East Asia.** We support a PCA missionary who is training pastors in East Asia as part of a church planting movement underway there.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at GMU.** Pastor Matthew DeLong and staff member Janelle Grove are on mission to reach international students at GMU.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at University of Alabama, Birmingham.** Our own Joanna Woo is serving as an intern for RUF-I at UAB.

## Mercy Ministries We Support

- **The Lamb Center** is a daytime homeless shelter sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- **Assist Pregnancy Center.** Assist has a mission "to promote life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."
- **Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO):** Local food pantry.

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