

RACINE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

December 21, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.
Pastor Anson Veenstra

God Gathers Us Together

Choir: “Waiting for Emmanuel” (arr. Ruth Schram)

*** Call to Worship and Greeting**

*** Opening Prayer**

Opening Anthem: **Choir:** “Carols of Gathering”
(arr. Joseph Martin) (Congregation joins “O Come All Ye Faithful”)

*** God’s Greeting/We Greet Each other**

Advent Candle Lighting

Advent Hymn: “He Came Down”

God Forgives and Renews

Call to Confession

Choral Response: “Christmas Hymn”
(Amy Grant/MW Smith; Arr. Keith Christopher)

Congregational Prayer

God Speaks to Us

Children’s Message

Choir Anthem: “Tell Us Shepherds” (arr. G. Tomanek)

Scripture: Luke 2:22-35

Sermon: *Gift of Peace*

We Respond to God’s Grace

Offering Cause: **Mission Support**

Carol of Response: “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing”
Psalter Hymnal 345

*** God’s Blessing**

*** Closing Carol**

“Once in Royal David’s City”
Psalter Hymnal 346:1,2,4,5

The Gift of Peace
A Listener’s Guide for
Luke 2:22-35

Introduction:
The Importance of Now!

The Consolation of Israel

The Gift of Peace:

I Am Prepared to _____

I Am Ready to _____

I Am Willing to _____

Conclusion:

