

Order of Worship

with readings and lyrics

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Reading 1 | Isaiah 9:2-7

- 2** The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shone.
- 3** You have multiplied the nation;
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.
- 4** For the yoke of his burden,
and the staff for his shoulder,
the rod of his oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
- 5** For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult
and every garment rolled in blood
will be burned as fuel for the fire.
- 6** For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon [\[d\]](#) his shoulder,
and his name shall be called [\[e\]](#)
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- 7** Of the increase of his government and of peace
there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Song 1 | O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, o come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear
2. O come, Thou, Dayspring from on high, and cause Thy light on us to rise
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadow put to flight

Rejoice! Rejoice! *Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

3. O come, O come, true prophet of the Lord and turn the key to heaven's door
Be Thou our comforter and guide and lead us to the Father's side

Rejoice! Rejoice! *Emmanuel shall by His Word our darkness dispel*

4. O come, our great High Priest, & intercede; thy sacrifice, our only plea
The judgement we no longer fear; thy precious blood has brought us near

Rejoice! Rejoice! *Emmanuel has banished every fear of hell*

5. O Come, Thou King of nations, bring an end to all our suffering
Bid every pain and so-o-orow cease and reign now as our Prince of Peace

Rejoice! Rejoice! *Emmanuel; Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel;*
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel, shall come again with us to dwell!

Song 2 | Come thou long expected Jesus

1. Come thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set thy people free
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of every longing heart.

2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Dayspring from on high, appear;
Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse, of Thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing news, Glad tidings of a birth
"Go to him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to Earth."

3. Come to earth to taste our sadness, He whose glories knew no end;
by His life He brings us gladness, Our redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all!

4. Born thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a king
born to reign in us forever, Now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal spirit; rule in all our hearts alone
By thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to thy glorious throne

Song 3 | Hark the Herald

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King"

3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.

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Song 4 * | Silent Night

** during this song we will collect the offering*

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace; Sleep in heavenly peace

2. Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour is born; Christ, the Saviour is born

FINNISH

3. Jouluyö, juhlayö! Paimenill' yksin työ.
Enkel taivaasta ilmoitti heill':
Suuri koittanut riemu on teill'!
Kristus syntynyt on; Kristus syntynyt on!

GERMAN

4. Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht, Alles schläft; einsam wacht
Nur das traute hochheilige Paar.
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh! Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!

TAGALOG

5. Natanaw na sa Silangan, Ang Talang Patnubay
Nang gabing katahimikan
Ang Sanggol sa lupa'y isilang
Ng Birheng matimtiman, Sa hamak na sabsaban.

FRENCH

6. Douce nuit, sainte nuit! Dans les cieux! L'astre luit.
Le mystère annoncé s'accomplit
Cet enfant sur la paille endormi,
C'est l'amour infini! C'est l'amour infini!

SWAHILI

7. Usiku wa sifa, neema na amani,
Upendo na ukombozi
umewafikia wote
Yesu amezaliwa; Yesu amezaliwa

8. Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth; Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth

The Doxology

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

Praise God for all that he has done
Praise Him for Jesus' reign begun!
He came with love to make us one;
He will return, His kingdom come!

Amen!

Reading 2 | Luke 1:26–31 and Luke 1:34–35

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favoured one, the Lord is with you!" 29 But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. 30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

34 And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

35 And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

Welcome

Special Song: Go Tell!

*over the hills, foot running through fields
comes a message revealed, from one clutching a shepherd crook*

*perplexed look, something he didn't expect to see
this feels like destiny, royal expectancy*

*joyful expression sentiments, intense to come against
these oppressive regiments, soul impediments*

*a heaven sent gift, wrapped up in some swaddling bands
first glance of a ransom for the captives*

*Emmanuel's advancement ...of the Father's plan
...from the promised land ...to the far off clans*

*it's a great reversal, womb to the tomb,
good news, on the third day resumed*

*the way paved, hopes raised from the grave,
yo, the wage may be heavy, but the debts get paid*

*grace eternal, birthed the church universal
whose curse is rent asunder, go tell it, advent wonder*

*Go, tell it on the mountains
Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born*

Children's moment

Reading 3 | Luke 2:1-7

2:1 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 And all went to be registered, each to his own town. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. 6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Song 6 | Joy To The World

Joy to the world, The Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart, Prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing
Let heaven and nature sing
Let heaven, and heaven and nature sing

***Shout** for joy, for the Son of God
Is the saving one, He's the saving one
Shout for joy, see what love has done
He has come for us, He's the saving one*

Joy to the world, The Savior reigns,
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

***Shout!** ...*

*Jesus, Emmanuel
O come let us adore him (x3)*

***Shout!** ... (x2)*

*Jesus, Emmanuel
O come let us adore him (x3)*

Song 7 | Here I Am to Worship (Light of The World)

1. Light of the world you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you

*Here I am to worship, Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me*

2. King of all days, Oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created,
all for love's sake became poor

Here I am to worship...

Well, I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross
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3. O come, all you faithful, let hearts adore Him;
Jesus, the Prince of our Peace!
He gave up His splendour to walk among us;
the Most came to serve the least!

Here I am to worship... (x2)

Farewell & Benediction