

3. How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of the heaven.
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him still, the dear Christ enters in.

Scripture: Luke 2:8-16
The Good News Announced to the Shepherds

Carol: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* *Chris Tomlin*

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 host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."
2. Christ, by highest heav'n 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 as man with men 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, ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of Earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Scripture: Mark 10:35-45
The Son of Man Came to Serve

Carol: *O Come All Ye Faithful* *Nat King Cole*

1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him, Born the King of angels;
Chorus: O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!
3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing all ye citizens of heaven above:
"Glory to God, all glory in the highest!"

Benediction



Christmas Eve Worship



Unto us
A CHILD IS BORN,
Unto us
A SON IS GIVEN.
Isaiah 9:6



December 24, 2020

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

Carol: ***Once in Royal David's City*** *King's College Choir, Cambridge*

1. Once in royal David's city, Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.
2. He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable, And His cradle was a stall;
With the poor and meek and lowly, Lived on earth our Savior holy.
3. And through all His wondrous childhood, He would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly mother, In whose gentle arms He lay.
Christian children all should be, Mild, obedient, good as He.
4. For He is our child-hood's pattern, Day by day like us He grew,
He was little, weak, and helpless, Tears and smiles like us He knew,
And He feelth for our sadness, And He shareth in our gladness.
5. And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His own redeeming love;
For that child so dear and gentle, Is our Lord in heaven above,
And He leads His children on, To the place where He is gone.
6. Not in that poor lowly stable, With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him, but in heaven, Set at God's right hand on high;
When like stars His children crowned, All in white shall be around.

The Invocation

Scripture: Genesis 3:8-15
The Promised Victory through Eve's Offspring

Lighting the Advent Candles

Scripture: Genesis 22:15-18
The Promised Blessing through Abraham's Offspring

Carol: ***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #194*** *Ayana George*

1. 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
3. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny
From depths of hell thy people save and give them victory over the grave
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel

Scripture: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; 11:1-9
The Promised Light and Peace through the Messiah

Song: ***For Unto Us a Child is Born*** *G.F Händel, London Symphony*

For unto us a child is born, Unto us a Son is given
And the Government shall be upon his shoulder
And his name shall be called, Wonderful, Counselor, Almighty God,
the Everlasting Father, the Prince of peace

Scripture: Luke 1:26-49
The Announcement to Mary & Elizabeth

Song: ***He Who is Mighty*** *Sovereign Grace Music*

1. Oh, the mercy our God has shown, To those who sit in death's shadow
The sun on high pierced the night, Born was the Corner - stone

Pre-Chorus: Unto us a Son is given, unto us a Child is born

Chorus: He Who is mighty has done a great thing
Taken on flesh, conquered death's sting
Shattered the darkness and lifted our shame, Holy is His name

2. Oh, the freedom our Savior won, the yoke of sin has been broken
Once a slave, now by grace, No more condemnation

Bridge: Now my soul magnifies the Lord, I rejoice in the God Who saves
I will trust His unfailing love, I will sing His praises all my days

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7
The Fulfillment of God's Promises

Carol: ***O Little Town of Bethlehem*** *Fernando Ortega*

1. O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth, the everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years, are met in thee tonight.

2. For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels keep, their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together, proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God our King, and peace to men on earth!

Chorus: O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray,
cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today!
We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell.
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.