



Christmas Day Service December 25, 2021 • 10 am

Christmas Morning Worship December 25, 2021 – 10:00 AM

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. -Luke 2:11

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

Prelude

Opening Carol: "Wexford Carol" – Elaine Hagenberg Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Leader:	He came as a baby in a manger.
People:	O come, let us adore him.
Leader:	He came in a lowly stable.
People:	O come, let us adore him.
Leader:	Shepherds brought their worship.
People:	O come, let us adore him.
Leader:	Angels sang his praise.
People:	O come, let us adore him.
Leader:	Magi brought their gifts.
People:	O come, let us adore him.
Leader:	What shall we do?
People:	O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord! Amen.

* Opening Carol: LUYH#76 v. 1,3,4 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

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;

Refrain

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above: "Glory to God, all glory in the highest!"

Refrain

 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

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* The Birth of Jesus: Luke 2:1-7

* Carol: LUYH #92 v. 1,2,4 "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, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
- Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns: let all their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love. Psalm 98; Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), 1719, P.D; Music: Lowell Mason, 1948, P.D. CCLI #678905

"Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Advent Candle Reading:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration

The Shepherds and the Angels: Luke 2:8-14

* Carol: LUYH #80 v. 1-3 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

 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 the angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain

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

 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 the incarnate Deity, pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Immanuel.

Refrain

 Hail the heaven-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.

Refrain

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt., P.D. Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1840; adapt. William H. Cummings, 1856, P.D.; CCLI: 678905

* The Shepherds Make Their Way to the Manger: Luke 2:15-20

* Song of Preparation: LUYH #82 v. 1-3 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

 Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains and the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

 Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?

Refrain

 Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing; come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Refrain

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"Joyful, all ye nations rise; join the triumph of the skies;"

Prayer of Illumination:

Christmas Meditation - "The Humility of the Manger"

Time of Prayer

* Song of Application: LUYH #157 v. 1-3 "Meekness and Majesty"

> Meekness and majesty, manhood and Deity in perfect harmony, the Man who is God. Lord of eternity dwells in humanity, kneels in humility and washes our feet.

Refrain

Oh, what a mystery-meekness and majesty; bow down and worship, for this is your God.

 Father's pure radiance, perfect in innocence, yet learns obedience to death on a cross, suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice, and, as they crucify, prays, "Father, forgive."

Refrain

 Wisdom unsearchable, God the invisible, Love indestructible in frailty appears. Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly, lifts our humanity to the heights of his throne.

Refrain

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"With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Offering:

Offertory: "All Praise to Thee" - Elaine Hagenburg

Closing Prayer:

*Benediction:

Leader: People:	Jesus is the Word made flesh in our midst. May his incarnation fill your hearts with joy and peace. O Lord, give us peace.
Leader: People:	Jesus is the promised Savior, born of Mary. May his birth among us renew your hope. O Lord, give us hope.
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Leader:	Jesus is the King of kings and the Lord of lords. May the gift of his presence bring forth rejoicing.
People:	O Lord, give us joy.
Leader:	Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

*Parting Praise: LUYH #84 "Ere Zig God"

Ere zij God! Ere zij God in den hoge, in den hoge, in den hoge! Vrede op aarde, vrede op aarde, in de mensen een welbehagen. Ere zij God in den hoge! Ere zij God in den hoge! Vrede op aarde, vrede op aarde, vrede op aarde, vrede op aarde, in de mensen, in de mensen een welbehagen, in de mensen, een welbehagen, een welbehagen. Ere zij God! Ere zij God in den hoge, in den hoge, in den hoge! Vrede op aarde, vrede op aarde, in de mensen een welbehagen. Amen. Amen.

Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest, in the highest, in the highest! Peace be on earth, peace be on earth, to the people whom God delights in. Glory to God in the highest! Glory to God in the highest! Peace be on earth, peace be on earth, peace be on earth, peace be on earth, to the people, to the people whom God delights in, to the people whom God delights in, whom God delights in. Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest, in the highest, in the highest! Peace be on earth, peace be on earth, to the people whom God delights in. Amen. Amen. Words: Luke 2:14; para. F.A. Schultz, ca. 1870; tr. Psalter Hymnal, 1987, © 1987 Faith Alive Christian Resource

Postlude

As Christians around the world rejoice in Christ's birth, we **welcome** you to worship. God revealed his great love for us by sending Jesus to earth to save us. After joining us in worship, join us in the fellowship hall next to the sanctuary for a cup of coffee or juice and continued fellowship.