



Friday, December 24th, 2021
Christmas Eve Communion Service

“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.”

Isaiah 9:6

Order of Worship and Lyrics

Advent Song: Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us
His name is called Emmanuel.

Responsive Reading:

Leader: And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

People: And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear.

Leader: And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

People: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

All: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

Carol: **Once in David's Royal City**

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.

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 mean, and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

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.

Unison Reading: Galatians 4:4-5

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.””

Carol: Joy To the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, 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.

No more let sins and sorrows grow
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

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.

RESPONSIVE READING Luke 2:15-19

Leader: “When the angels went away from them into heaven,
the shepherds said to one another,

People: “**Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing
that has happened, which the Lord has made known to
us.**”

Leader: “And they went with haste and found Mary and
Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.”

People: “**And when they saw it, they made known the
saying that had been told them concerning this child. And
all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told
them.**”

All: “**But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering
them in her heart.**”

Carol: It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
from heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay,
to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heavenly music floats
o'er all the weary world;
above its sad and lowly plains,
they bend on hovering wing,
and ever o'er its Babel sounds
the blessed angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
whose forms are bending low,
who toil along the climbing way
with painful steps and slow,
look now! for glad and golden hours
come swiftly on the wing.
O rest beside the weary road,
and hear the angels sing!

For lo! the days are hastening on,
by prophet seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall come the time foretold

when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and the whole world send back the song
which now the angels sing.

Anthem: O Holy Night

Sermon: “Gold” Randy Jenkins

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Hymn: Silent Night

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.

Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia
Christ the Savior, is born! Christ the Savior born.

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.

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