



WELCOME TO OUR

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Services

Please remember to observe social distancing by keeping your family group at least 6 feet from other families.



On behalf of the leadership of Gurnee Community Church we thank you for choosing to worship with us this evening and we wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas.

IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

Verse 1

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 earth, goodwill to men,
From heav'n's all gracious King!"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Verse 2

Still thro' the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heav'nly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hov'ring wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

Verse 3

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.

Verse 4

For lo, the days are hast'ning on
By prophets 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.

THE FIRST NOEL

Verse 1

The first Noel, the angel did say.
Was to certain poor shepherds In fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Chorus

No-el, No-el, No-el, No-el,
Born is the King of Israel.

Verse 2

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far.
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.

Chorus

Verse 6

Then let us all with one accord,
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind have bought.

Chorus

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Chorus

Go, tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and every where;
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 1

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold! thro'out the heavens
There shone a holy light.

Chorus

Verse 2

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth

Chorus

Verse 3

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And brought us God's salvation
That blessed Christmas morn

Chorus

That Jesus Christ is born,
That Jesus Christ is born!

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Verse 1

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains

Chorus

Gloria, In excelsis deo
Gloria, In excelsis deo

Verse 2

Shepherds why this jubilee
Why your joyous strains prolong
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song

Chorus

Verse 3

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing
Come adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord the newborn King

Chorus

Verse 4

See within a manger laid
Jesus Lord of heav'n and earth!
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
With us sing our Savior's birth.

Chorus

Please light your candles at this time.

SILENT NIGHT

Verse 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

Verse 2

Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

Verse 3

Silent night, holy night
Wondrous star, lend thy light
With the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

Verse 4

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

JOY TO THE WORLD

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

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

Verse 4

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