



✠ IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

SONG SET *Michael Amidei, Infinite Grace band*

O Come O Come Emmanuel *instrumental*

Joy to the World/All Heaven and All Creation Sing

All of heaven and all creation sing woh woh

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Chorus: All of heaven and all creation sing

The wonders of His love

All of heaven and all creation sing

The wonders of His love

Joy to the world the Lord is come Let earth receive her King

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room And heaven and nature sing

And heaven and nature sing And heaven and heaven and nature sing

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

The wonders of His love

O Come All Ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful JOY-full 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

Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation

Sing all ye citizens of heaven above

Glory to God all Glory in the highest *Chorus:*

Yea Lord we greet thee Born this happy morning

Jesus to Thee be all glory given

Word of the Father now in flesh appearing

His name shall be wonderful counselor

His name shall be Everlasting Father

His name shall be Prince of Peace Mighty God

His name shall be Emmanuel

Chorus: We'll praise Your name forever We'll praise Your name forever

We'll praise Your name forever Christ the Lord

INVOCATION *Pastor Greg Zillinger*

Pastor (P): In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): Amen!

CONFESSION OF SIN AND FORGIVENESS



SONG Noel

Love incarnate love divine Star and angels gave the sign

Bow to babe on bended knee The Savior of humanity

Unto us a Child is born He shall reign forevermore

Chorus: Noel Noel Come and see what God has done

Noel Noel The story of amazing love

The light of the world given for us

Noel

Son of God and Son of man There before the world began

Born to suffer born to save Born to raise us from the grave

Christ the everlasting Lord He shall reign forevermore

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 7:10-14; 1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 1:18-25

GUESTS AND MEMBERS CONNECT

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OFFERING AND PRAYER *For giving options, see: ShepherdHillsChurch.org*

Stewardship Thought:

This CHRISTmas season, the JOY aspect of our 2023-24 theme is: Giving JOY-fully! We celebrate tonight how God gave joyfully: *God loved the world so much He sent His one and only Son! John 3:16* How can we give with JOY...JOYfully...of ourselves—our time and the talents God gives us—and our wealth (for we are most certainly some of the wealthiest folks on the planet!)? I'll bet we're all giving JOYfully as we thoughtfully consider gifts for others and carefully wrap and deliver them. We may have given to charities with JOY because we have a special connection to the work they do. Let's also give JOYfully to our dear Lord for all He has given to us—especially our most cherished treasure: salvation through Jesus and the home in heaven He is even now preparing for us!

SONG Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

What hope we hold this starlit night

A King is born in Bethlehem

Our journey long we seek the light

That leads to the hallowed manger ground

What fear we felt in the silent age

Four-hundred years can He be found

But broken by a baby's cry

Rejoice in the hallowed manger ground

Chorus: Emmanuel Emmanuel God incarnate here to dwell

Emmanuel Emmanuel Praise His name Emmanuel

(Praise His name Emmanuel)

The Son of God here born to bleed

A crown of thorns would pierce His brow

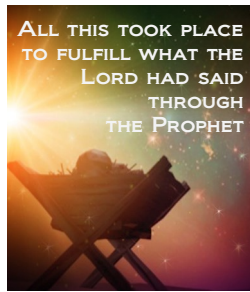
And we beheld this offering

Exalted now the King of kings

Praise God for the hallowed manger ground



MESSAGE "Prophecies of Christ" text: Isaiah 7:10-14



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

(repeat Stanza 1)

RESPONSE OF FAITH *Martin Luther's Explanation to the Apostles' Creed: 2nd Article*

ALL: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true!

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen!

CANDLE LIGHTING *The lights are dimmed.*

SONG SET

All Is Well

All is well all is well Angels and men rejoice
For tonight darkness fell Into the dawn of love's light
Sing alle sing alleluia



All is well all is well Let there be peace on earth
Christ is come go and tell That He is in the manger
Sing alle sing alleluia
All is well all is well Lift up your voice and sing
Born is now Emmanuel Born is our Lord and Savior
Sing alleluia sing alleluia
All is well

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 Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia
Christ the Savior is born Christ the Savior is born

HISTORY of CHRISTmas Luke 2:15-20

P: When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. 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. But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.

ALL: **And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.**

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

EXHORTATION AND GOD'S WORD OF BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

P: Dear Friends, may the shepherds' response to this Good News also be yours: Be JOY-full! Tell everyone His Story! Return often to the Christ Child, revealed to you in His Word and Sacraments! Glorify and praise God in worship and in the world! And as you go: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen!**

*We leave this house of worship to live out our JOY in the Lord
in our life together with each other, our neighbors, and the world.
JOY to the world ~ Jesus has come and will come again!*

✠ TO GOD ALONE ALL GLORY! ✠

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

From our Shepherd Family to yours:
We wish you a Blessed CHRISTmas
and a Christ-filled New Year!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship 3, 5, 7pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Vigil 11pm
Christmas Day 10am (no Bible Class/Sunday School)
New Year's Eve Day 8 & 10:45am (no Bible Class/Sunday School)
Epiphany January 6, 2024 | 6:30pm

LORD, LAY SOME SOUL UPON MY HEART AND LOVE THAT SOUL THROUGH ME:
AND MAY I GLADLY DO MY PART TO WIN THAT SOUL FOR THEE. AMEN!