

GOD CALLS
WE GATHER

GOD SPEAKS WE LISTEN

GOD PROVIDES
WE GIVE
THANKS

GOD SENDS WE OBEY AND SERVE

## ORDER OF WORSHIP DECEMBER 17, 2023

God's Greeting & Call to Worship

Angels We Have Heard On High (Lighting of Advent Candle)

Good Christian Friends Rejoice

Mutual Greeting

Reminders and Updates

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

God's Guide for Grateful Living

Manger Throne

Children's Moment

Sermon: Why Jesus Came (1 John 3:1-10)

Rev. Loren Kotman

O Come All You Unfaithful

Prayers of the People

Offering (Blue - General/Red - Christian Ed.)

O Holy Night - preformed by the Christmas Choir

Sending

Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)

God's Blessing

## SERMON GUIDE

Series: Why Jesus Came

Message: Jesus Came to Take Away Our Sins

**Text:** 1 John 3:1-10

- I. What is sin?
- 1. Sin is transgression of the law.
- 2. Sin does not consist in outward acts only.
- 3. Sin can be an omission or a commission.
- 4. Sin originates in the heart.
- 5. Sin is universal.
- II. The results of sin:
- 1. Sin produces guilt and shame.
- 2. Sin causes estrangement between us and God.
- 3. Sin produces estrangement between people.
- 4. Sin produces enslavement.
- 5. Sin leads to death.
- III. Jesus came to take away our sins.
- 1. Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.
- 2. Jesus is without sin.
- IV. What do we need to do?
- 1. Come to God as we are.
- 2. Confess our sins.
- 3. Place our faith in Jesus Christ.
- 4. Live an obedient life.

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS CONFAB

Give examples of sins of omission.

What did Jesus do for us that we cannot do for ourselves?

What are ways that we reflect that Jesus lives in us?