



# CHRISTMAS EVE

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**FAMILY CANDLELIGHT LESSONS & CAROLS**

**4:00 & 5:00 PM**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Carol | "Joy to the World"**

**First Lesson | Genesis 2:8-9, 15-18**

*Our first lesson tells of how God created Adam and Eve to live in relationship and obedience to him in the perfect paradise of the Garden of Eden.*

**Carol | "Of the Father's Love Begotten"**

**Second Lesson | Genesis 3:1-6, 8-15**

*Our second lesson is also from the Garden of Eden. Genesis 3 is known as the Fall. Adam and Eve sinned by rejecting God's Word and disobeying him. In this lesson we learn about the original sin that has led to our sin, misery, and pain, and we learn why our world is not the way it is supposed to be. However, listen for God's promise in Genesis 3:15 to send a Savior, the offspring of the woman, who will rescue the world and crush the head of the serpent through his own suffering.*

**Carol | "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

**Third Lesson | Isaiah 7:14; 9:2; 9:6-7**

*The Prophet Isaiah foretells the coming of the Savior born as a baby boy to a virgin. This prophecy should call us to remember the promise from Genesis 3:15 concerning the offspring of the woman, who will be the Savior to bring complete and total peace and justice to the world.*

**Carol | "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"**

**Fourth Lesson | Micah 5:2-5**

*The Prophet Micah foretells of how the Savior, promised long ago back in the Garden of Eden, will one day be born in the village of Bethlehem.*

**Carol | "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"**

**Fifth Lesson | Luke 1:26-38**

*The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High, the long-awaited Savior promised throughout the Old Testament, and his name will be Jesus.*

**Carol | "O Little Town of Bethlehem"**

**Sixth Lesson | Luke 2:1-7**

*Jesus, the long-awaited Savior, is born in Bethlehem.*

**Carol | "What Child Is This?"**

**Seventh Lesson | Luke 2:8-20**

*Jesus is worshipped by the angels and shepherds.*

## **Carol | "Away in a Manger"**

### **Eighth Lesson | Matthew 2:1-11**

*The wise men from the east followed the star, found the baby Jesus, and worshipped him.*

## **Carol | "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"**

### **Ninth Lesson | Hebrews 1:1-3**

*In the fullness of time, God sent his Son, Jesus, to take on flesh and dwell among us. Jesus lived the perfectly sinless life we have all failed to live. Jesus died on Calvary's cross as our substitute to pay for our sins. Jesus then rose from the grave and returned to the right hand of God the Father, and Jesus' reign is forever and ever.*

## **Carol | "O Come, All Ye Faithful"**

### **Tenth Lesson | John 1:1-5; 14**

*The eternal Son of God took on flesh and dwelt among us beginning at the first Christmas.*

## **Celebration of Light**

## **Carol | "Silent Night"**

## **Benediction**

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