

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 24, 2021

Christmas Eve 4:30 pm

Family Candlelight Lessons & Carols



CHRIST
EVANGELICAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH (PCA)

Prelude

Welcome

Carol

Joy To The World

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

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

No more let sin and sorrow 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

First Lesson

Genesis 2:8-9, 15-18

Carol

Of The Father's Love Begotten

Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be
He is Alpha and Omega
He the Source the Ending he
Of the things that are that have been
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore

O that birth forever blessed
When the Virgin full of grace
By the Holy Ghost conceiving
Bore the Savior of our race
And the babe the world's Redeemer
First revealed his sacred face
Evermore and evermore

Second Lesson

Genesis 3: 1-6, 8-15

Carol

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come thou long expected Jesus
Born to set thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in thee
Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth thou art
Dear Desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

Born thy people to deliver
Born a child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now thy gracious kingdom bring
By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne

Third Lesson

Isaiah 7:14; 9:2, 6

Carol

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Chorus
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

O come thou Rod of Jesse free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny
From depths of hell thy people save
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave

Chorus

O come thou Key of David come
And open wide our heav'nly home
Make safe the way that leads on high
And close the path to misery

Chorus

Fourth Lesson

Micah 5:2-5

Carol

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

Gentle Mary laid her Child
Lowly in a manger
There he lay the undefiled
To the world a stranger
Such a babe in such a place
Can he be the Savior
Ask the saved of all the race
Who have found his favor

continued

Gentle Mary laid her child
Lowly in a manger
He is still the undefiled
But no more a stranger
Son of God of humble birth
Beautiful the story
Praise his name in all the earth
Hail the King of glory

Fifth Lesson

Luke 1:26-38

Carol

O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And peace to men on earth

How silently how silently
The wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven
No ear may hear his coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive him still
The dear Christ enters in

Sixth Lesson

Luke 2:1-7

Carol

What Child Is This?

What Child is this who laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping
This this is Christ the King
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste haste to bring him laud
The Babe the Son of Mary

Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding
Good Christian fear for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading
Nails spear shall pierce him through
The cross be borne for me for you
Hail hail the Word made flesh
The Babe the Son of Mary

Carol

Away In A Manger

Away in a manger no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down his sweet head
The stars in the sky
Looked down where he lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing the baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes
I love thee Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask thee to stay
Close by me forever and love me I pray
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there

Eighth Lesson

Carol

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace
Hail the Sun of Righteousness
Light and life to all he brings
Ris'n with healing in his wings
Mild he lays his glory by
Born that men no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Carol

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful joyful 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*

God of God Light of Light
Lo he abhors not the Virgin's womb
Very God begotten not created

Chorus

Sing choirs of angels sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God in the highest

Chorus

Yea Lord we greet thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father late in flesh appearing

Chorus

Tenth Lesson

Celebration of Light

Carol

Silent Night, Holy 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 is 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