



Christmas Eve Worship
December 24, 2025 — 3:00 pm Service
Order of Worship
FM Frequency 99.3

Merry Christmas! We are glad you are here to worship with us on this Christmas Eve. We welcome everyone to participate in Holy Communion with us. Children who have yet to receive Communion are also invited to come forward to receive a special Christmas blessing.

Welcome

Lighting Of The Christ Candle

"But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons." Galatians 4:4-5

Christmas Conversation:

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: We were not prepared for the Savior to be born.

C: For we were a people walking in darkness.

P: Because we were in bondage to sin, we were blind to His coming.

C: But now the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

P: In the fullness of time.

C: The Savior had to be born.

P: Now we have good news of great joy.

C: For unto us a child is born; unto us a son is given.

P: Today forgiveness and salvation have appeared.

C: A Savior has been born to us. He is Christ the Lord!

Prayer of the Day

Opening Hymn: **"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"**

Oh, come, all ye faithful

Joyful and triumphant

Oh, come ye, oh, come ye

To Bethlehem

Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

The highest, most holy
Light of light eternal
Born of a virgin
A mortal he comes
Son of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord

Sing, choir of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens
Of heaven above
Glory to God
All glory in the highest

Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee
Be all glory given
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Oh, come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

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1st Lesson: Genesis 3:13-15

"Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The women said, 'The ser-

pent deceived me, and I ate.’ The LORD God said to the serpent, ‘Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.’”

2nd Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-6

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;...For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Christmas Hymn: ***“Go Tell It On The Mountain”***

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and ev’rywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching
O’er silent flocks by night
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and ev’rywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born

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

Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and ev’rywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lonely manger
The humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn

God tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and ev’rywhere
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 1:18-24; 2:1-11

"Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying 'Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: 'Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel' (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife,

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.' When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh."

Scripture Closing

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God!

Children's Message - Ben Murray

Sermon — *"The Promise"* Pastor David Kaiser

Hymn: ***"The First Noel"***

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

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel
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

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel

And by the light
Of that same star
Three wise men came
From country far
To seek for a king
Was their intent
And to follow the star
Wherever it went

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel

This star drew nigh
To the northwest
O'er Bethlehem
It took its rest
And there it did
Both stop and stay
Right over the place
Where Jesus lay

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel
Then entered in
Those wise men three
Full rev'rently upon their knee
And offered there in His presence
Their gold and myrrh
And frankincense

Noel Noel Noel Noel
Born is the King of Israel

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Confession and Absolution:

P: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

C: We worship and bow down and give thanks. We worship Emmanuel: God with us.

P: Merciful Father, we confess our sinfulness, plead for your forgiveness, and wait for your mercy and grace.

C: Lord, I am tired of the struggle of sin in my life.

My own choices lead me to wrong places.

I have listened to fear instead of your Word.

I have not loved you without exception.

I have not loved others as I have loved myself.

I confess my desperate need for you.

I confess my iniquity and my sin.

**Lord, create a clean heart in me.
Bind me up in your love. Heal my wounds.
Guard my heart and mind by your peace.
Pour your love into my hearts by your Spirit.**

P: Listen and know this truth—When the perfect time had come, God sent his Son Jesus, born of Mary, to redeem us, so that we may be adopted as sons and daughters. God your Father redeems you and restores you. God our Father loves you. In the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace, you are forgiven and free.

C: Amen!

The Words Of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion

Christmas Song: ***"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

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

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Closing Prayer

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Go In Peace

L: Go in peace, Read the word, Serve the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn: ***“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 sins
And sorrows 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 and wonders of His love

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“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel’ (which means, God with us).” Matthew 1:23