

INCLUDES ENLARGED HYMNS

the sit-tights



Learn to wait with the Messiah



**AN ADVENT
SERMON SERIES**

BEVERLY HEIGHTS UNITED

Welcome and Greeting

Elder Joe Williams

Announcements

THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Selections

Smith

Jinna Park, *Accompanist and Organist*

*The first note of the prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please use this brief period of time for prayer and preparation while keeping conversation at a low volume and to a minimum. **Please refrain from clapping unless led to do so.***

Invitation to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship the LORD!

People: We worship Christ, the newborn King!

Prayer of Invocation

* Opening Hymn of Praise **No. 218**

vv. 1-4

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 93:1-5

* Congregational Response **No. 218**

v. 5

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

THE LORD CLEANSSES OUR SIN

Unison Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from Your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

* Unison Christmas Creed

I believe that Jesus, the Word, was God, but He did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped. He emptied Himself, took the form of a servant and was born as a human baby. I believe He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death. I believe God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name. I believe that at the

name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every knee in heaven and on earth and under the earth. I believe that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father. Wherefore, I gladly join with my family of brothers and sisters in Christ and I sing with joy, that Jesus Christ is born. Alleluia! AMEN.

THE LORD SANCTIFIES OUR LIVES

* Carol Medley

Good Christian Men, Rejoice (No. 207)

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (No. 216)

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen (No. 211)

* Christmas Prayer

O Lord, our God, as we celebrate again the feast of Christmas, we ask You to make us humble and loving like Jesus, Who did not come to be served but to serve, and Who said that it is better to give than to receive, so that in His name we may devote ourselves to You in worship and serve those in need. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Special Music

Kyung Won Jeon, Kate Jeon, and Jinna Park

* Congregational Response

Advent Doxology

Boswell

Congregation sings twice.

**Glory in the highest heaven to the Father and the Son
And the Spirit He has given hallowed be the Three-in-One.**

All children are invited to remain in worship with their families.

* Scripture Reading

Revelation 3:14-22

Sermon

Sit-Tights: Learning to Wait with the Messiah

Mr. Peter Chace

Sitting on the Throne

THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS

Call for the Offering and Offertory

Savior of the Nations, Come

arr. Wagner

* Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen **No. 740**

Trinity Hymnal

THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

* Closing Hymn **No. 224**

vv. 1-3

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

* Dismissal

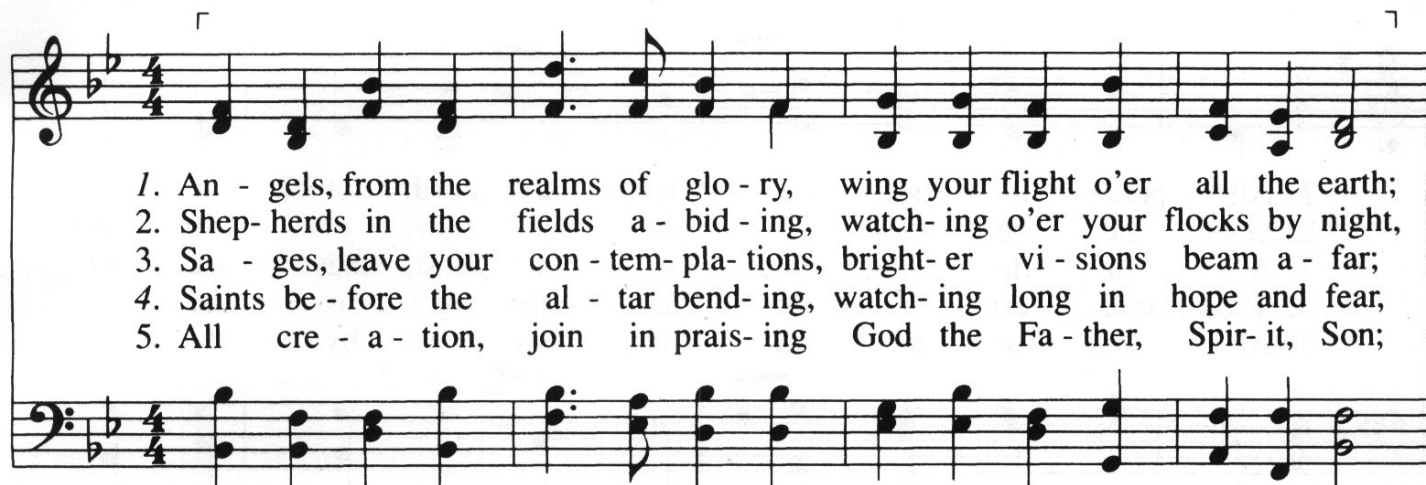
* Postlude

Selections

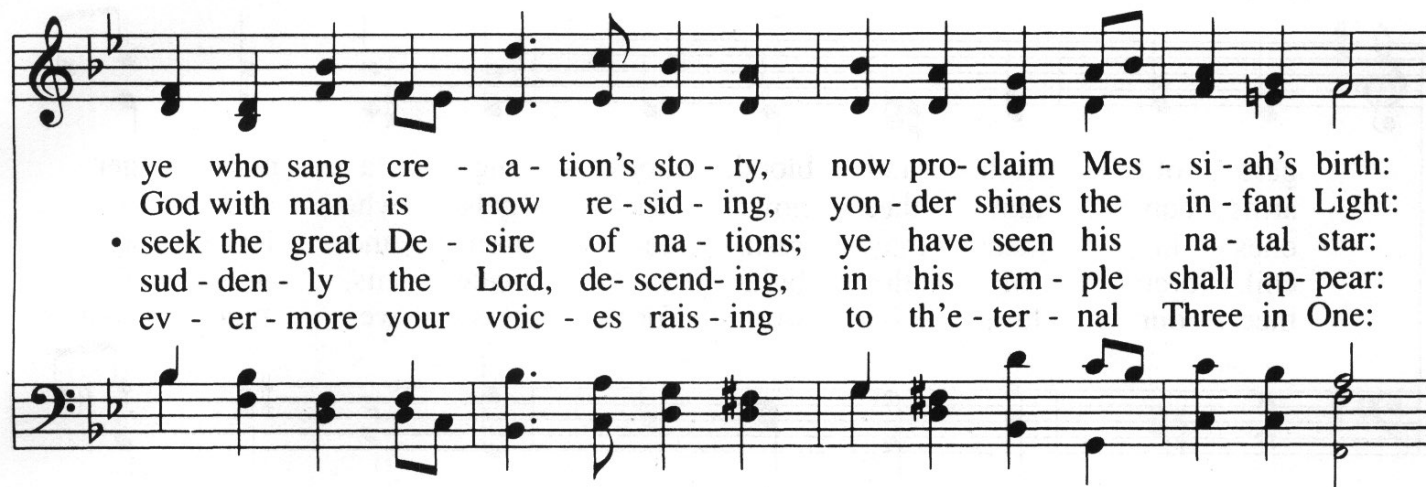
Angels, from the Realms of Glory

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They saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him.
Matt. 2:11

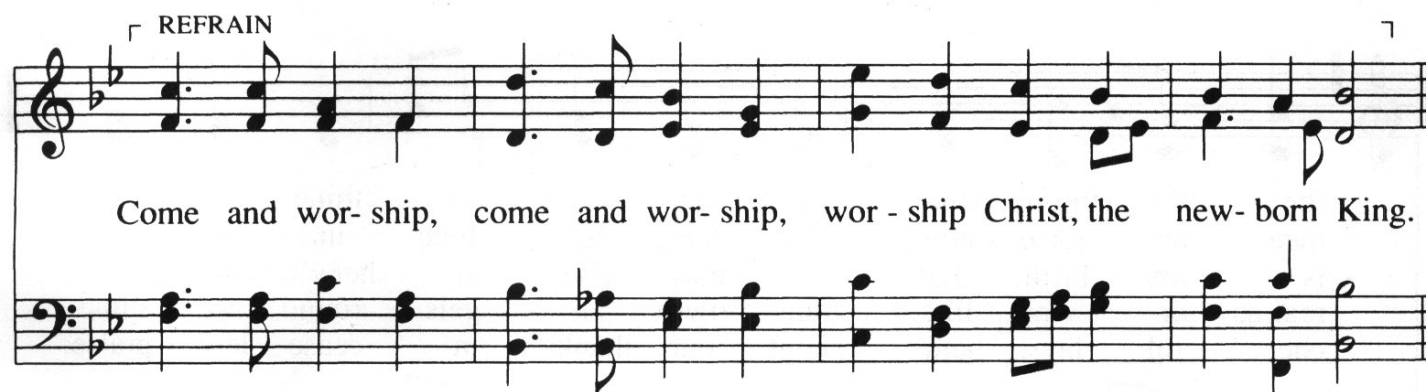


1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2. Shep- herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch- ing o'er your flocks by night,
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem- pla- tions, bright- er vi - sions beam a - far;
4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend- ing, watch- ing long in hope and fear,
5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais- ing God the Fa - ther, Spir- it, Son;



ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro- claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
God with man is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
• seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:
sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend- ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:
ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to th'e - ter - nal Three in One:

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Come and wor- ship, come and wor- ship, wor - ship Christ, the new- born King.

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Good Christian Men, Rejoice

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11

1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 3. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

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He is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers. Rev. 17:14

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;
2. Flocks were sleep - ing: shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new

ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ, the babe, is Lord of all.
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.

Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:

Christ the babe is Lord of all. Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Christ the babe was born for you. Christ the babe was born for you.

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

Luke 2:10

1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may,
 2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, a bless - ed an - gel came;
 3. "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "let noth - ing you af - fright;
 4. The shep - herds at those tid - ings re - joic - ed much in mind,

re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day,
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:
 this day is born a Sav - ior of a pure vir - gin bright,
 and left their flocks a - feed - ing, in tem - pest, storm, and wind:

to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray;
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's pow'r and might."
 and went to Beth - le - hem straight - way, the Son of God to find.

REFRAIN
 O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy,

O tid - ings of com - fort and joy.

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

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When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them
about this child. Luke 2:17

Unison

(Ref.) Go, tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and ev - ery - where;

go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.

1. While shep-herds kept their watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -
2. The shep-herds feared and trem - bled when, lo! a - bove the earth rang
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger our hum - ble Christ was born, and

hold, through - out the heav - ens there shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

10:00 AM Worship Service
11:00 AM Linger Longer Fellowship
7:00 PM Springboard and Fusion Lock-In

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00 PM ACE Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

7:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM Staff Meeting

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00 AM Christian Education for all ages
10:00 AM Worship Service

Reminder: Special Meeting of the Congregation

Please note that immediately following the conclusion of the worship service on Sunday, February 4, 2024, the congregational meeting from October 29 will resume and the congregation will vote on Session's request for dismissal from the EPC.

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