

# christmas eve

DECEMBER 2020

## *candlelight service*

ON THE EVE OF ASTOUNDING JOY



DECEMBER 24TH, 2020

# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

**Welcome**

**Reading 1** (Genesis 1:1-10. Genesis 3:14-19, 23)

🎵 **O Come O Come Emmanuel**

**Reading 2** (Isaiah 9:2,6-7 Isaiah 7:14)

🎵 **Hark the Herald Angels Sing**

🎵 **O Come All Ye Faithful**

**Reading 3** (Galatians 4:4-5, Luke 1:30-35, Luke 2:10-18)

🎵 **Silent Night**

**Christmas Eve Message**

🎵 **Joy to the World**

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# ON THE EVE OF ASTOUNDING JOY

Christmas is the happiest time of the year. People around the world put up Christmas decorations that include lights, candles, evergreens and ornaments.

On Christmas Eve, cheer is contagious as families are making last minute trips to the mall or listening to Christmas songs as they wrap presents to put under the tree.

It is the final day before the big celebration and we want everything to be just right, so that our

family can have a merry Christmas.

*What is still left on your Christmas todo list? How late will you stay up this evening to finish your preparations?*

With how busy this Christmas is, be careful not to let it slip away without considering the true gift of Christmas. Remind yourself that Jesus is the reason we celebrate and worship Him in your home on this Eve of Astounding Joy.

○ COME ○ COME EMMANUEL

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

**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 victory o'er the grave

O come, Thou Day-Spring  
Come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to flight

O come, Thou Key of David, come  
And open wide our heavenly home  
Make safe the way that leads on high  
And close the path to misery

O come, O come, Thou Lord of might  
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height  
In ancient times did'st give the Law  
In cloud, and majesty and awe.

## HARK THE HERALD

1 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 th'angelic hosts proclaim,"  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

### Refrain:

**Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King"**

2 Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of the Virgin's womb:  
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail th'incarnate Deity,  
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,  
Jesus, our Immanuel. **[Refrain]**

3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth  
,born to give us second birth. **[Refrain]**

**O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL**

1 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.

**Refrain:O come let us adore him,  
    O come let us adore him,  
    O come let us adore him,  
    Christ the Lord.**

2 Sing, choirs of angels,  
    sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above:  
    "Glory to God,  
all glory in the highest!" [Refrain]

3 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
    born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;  
    Word of the Father,  
begotten, not created. [Refrain]

## 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;  
Heavenly hosts sing Al-le-lu-ia!  
Christ the Savior is born!  
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, oh, 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

## JOY TO THE WORLD

1 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

2 .Joy to the world! the Saviour 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.

3 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.





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