

Pre-Service Song

JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world the Lord is come, let earth receive her King!
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room and heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and heav'n and nature sing!

Joy to the earth 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 wonders of His love.

Songs of Praise

1) LOVE HAS COME

Love has come, a light in the darkness, love explodes in the Bethlehem skies;
See all heaven has come to proclaim it, hear how their song of joy arises!
Love, love, born unto you a Savior; love, love, glory to God on high.

Love is born, come share in the wonder, love is God now asleep in the hay;
See the glow in the eyes of His mother; what is the name her heart is saying?
Love, love, love is the name she whispers; love, love, Jesus Immanuel.

Love has come, He never will leave us, love is life everlasting and free;
Love is Jesus within and among us, love is the peace our hearts are seeking!
Love, love, love is the gift of Christmas; love, love, praise to You God on high!

2) 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.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today!
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell,
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

3) 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

Hymn

GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE!

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say, News, news! Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before Him bow and He is in the manger now,
Christ is born today, Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now ye hear of endless bliss, Joy, joy! Jesus Christ was born for this;
He has opened heaven's door and man is blessed evermore,
Christ was born for this, Christ was born for this!
Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now ye need not fear the grave, Peace, peace! Jesus Christ was born to save;
Calls you one and calls you all to gain His everlasting hall,
Christ was born to save, Christ was born to save!

Doxology

O BLESS THE GIFTS/DOXOLOGY

O bless the gifts our hands have brought
And bless the work our hearts have planned;
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in Your hand.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Closing Hymn

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 th'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 th'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 man 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!"