Welcome to worship at New Hanover Lutheran Church

Second Sunday of Christmas January 2, 2022

Lessons and Carols



Donna Kehs, worship leader
Teresa Heindel, guest organist
Ryan Houck, guitarist and vocalist
All worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org,
facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch
and on YouTube.

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

May your worship experience strengthen you

with God's love and grace.

Prelude

Welcome

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Amen.

Gathering Song Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW #789

Children's Message

Donna Kehs

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lesson 1 Genesis 3:8-15

⁸They heard the sound of the Lord GOD walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord GOD among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the Lord GOD called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the Lord GOD said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The Lord GOD said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go,

and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus ELW #254

Lesson 2 Genesis 22:15-18

¹⁵The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, ¹⁸and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel ELW #257 vs. 1, 5, 6, 7, 8

Lesson 3 Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

²The people who walked in darkness

have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined.

⁶For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders;

and he is named

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

ELW #272

Lesson 4

Isaiah 11:1-9

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

Word of God, Word of Life Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Of the Father's Love Begotten

ELW #295

Lesson 5

Luke 1:26-38

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Thanks be to Gou.

Hymn The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came ELW #265 Ryan Houck, guitarist

Lesson 6

Luke 1:46-55

⁴⁶And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,

⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁸for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

⁵⁰His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

⁵²He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;

⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

55 according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness ELW #251 Ryan Houck, guitarist

Luke 2:8-20

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven,

and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" ¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

From Heaven Above

ELW #268 vs. 1, 2, 3, 14

Ryan Houck, guitarist

Lesson 8 Matthew 2:1-11

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

The First Noel

ELW #300

Prayers of Intercession Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Lord's Prayer Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

Hymn What Child Is This ELW #296 Ryan Houck, guitarist

Lesson 9 John 1:1-14

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own,

and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

Let Our Gladness Have No End

ELW #291

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and \$\mathcal{T}\$ give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn Go Tell It on the Mountain ELW #290 Ryan Houck, guitarist

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude In Dulci Jubilo Frank Liszt

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Announcements

Sound and video assistants needed for worship broadcast and live stream video. Training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

Today

We welcome organist Teresa Heindel and guitarist and vocalist Ryan Houck to our worship this morning. Thank you for enriching our worship experience with your ministry today.

Thank you to Donna Kehs for leading the worship service this morning.

Serving Today Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Elfriede Ilik; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs Next week Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Brian Flack and Rick Solazzo; Children's Sermon: Nevada Grant

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of Polly Ehling by Bill and Sue Lowry.

Altar Guild The following members are serving in January: Jean Moser, Jane Johnson and Jo Anne Wirt.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Peer Support – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 32

Cub Scouts – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, rooms 1, 21-31, 33, 37

Christian Education – Monday, 7:00 PM, room 34

Property – Monday, 7:00 PM, room 4

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2:00 PM, Sunday School Wing door

12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32

Thursdays at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33 **God on Tap** – Thursday, 6:00 PM, offsite

Bell Choir – Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 15

Scout Roundtable – Thursday, 6:45 – 8:30 PM, rooms 30, 33

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, 8:00 AM, offsite

CRS Training – Saturday, 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM, room 33

Worship Service – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchenFood Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Loaves & Fishes 300 Volunteer Meeting – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, room 1 (fellowship hall)

Sunday School – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 1 (fellowship hall)

Catechism – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM - noon, room 33 Paint Day – Next Sunday, 2:00 – 4:00 PM, room 1

Pastor Scott is on vacation through January 12th. Please call (610) 326-1335 ext. 2 (Church Office Manager) or Council President Steve Eisenhart (215) 804-8733 with any emergency requests.

Upcoming Events

Men's Breakfast is this Saturday at 8:00 at Brookside Family Restaurant. Come out for good food and friendly conversation. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at (484) 415-0386.

Sunday School for children and youth will resume next Sunday, January 9th. The adult class will resume on January 16th.

A Winter Themed Paint Day will be held on Sunday, January 9th, 2:00 – 4:00 PM in fellowship hall. Back by popular demand, Amy, from Amy's Art Shack will lead us in another painting project – this time winter themed. If you missed our fall paint day you missed out on all the fun! Remember NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! Amy is a great teacher, and we had a lot of fun and laughs. Join us on Sunday, January 9th from 2:00 – 4:00 in fellowship hall. Cost is \$40 per person and \$15 will be donated

back to NHELC Mission Services to be used for missions of our church (food ministry, peer support etc.). Bring a snack to share! Sign up at shorturl.at/dnvwI or RSVP to Nikki Young at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church at 610-326-1335.

Soup Sale The Swamp Picnic Committee is holding the annual soup sale on Sunday, January 23rd, beginning at 10:00 AM (right after the 9:00 service) and continuing until all the soup is sold. This year's selections are:

- Chicken Pot Pie
- Vegetable Beef Soup
- Chili

The suggested donation for a quart of soup is \$9. All three soups can be frozen in their container for future enjoyment.

Congregational Dinner Save the date for this year's Congregational Dinner - Sunday, February 27th. More information, as well as a reservation form, will be coming soon!

Attention committee chair and liaisons: Time to submit your 2021 annual report. Please send them to Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall.

Food Ministry

More than 70,000 meals have been delivered! NHELC's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs. 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards, place monetary donation in the offering plate or mail to the church.

3) Deliver meals. Sign up at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/.

We need help! NHELC Loaves & Fishes is feeding the homeless and those in need. Every month on the second Tuesday we are feeding the homeless and those in need in our area. If you can put a piece of food onto a plate, or serve a plate, or greet

someone, or help sing a hymn or two, we could use your help. Each month on the second Tuesday at 5:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church located in Pottstown, NHELC Loaves & Fishes is serving meals to the homeless and those in need. You can sign up now and help us for the first meal serving on January 11th, at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f48adaf28a5f58-nhelc.

Can You Help

Chosen 300 There will be a brief meeting about NHELC's Chosen 300 for anyone who is interested in helping with worship, food prep, and/or serving food. We will meet on Sunday, January 9th, at 10:00 AM in fellowship hall. If you are interested in helping and cannot attend this meeting, call Sally Sugita at (610) 505-9682.

Sign up to sponsor the bulletin and altar flowers for 2022. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 and flowers is \$35. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 for available dates and to sign up.

The 2022 offering envelopes are available for pickup in the welcome center.

Seniors – a question for you....What words of hope and wisdom you can offer to our younger generations at NHELC as we come into 2022? Please email Deacon Carol your thoughts at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org, call and leave a message for her at the church office or mail your response to the church. Your wise words would be very much appreciated!

Spiritual Renewal

Copies of the *Word in Season* daily devotion books January - March are available in the welcome center. Be sure to pick up a copy of this daily scripture and brief message. By designating just a few minutes a day to read and ponder this devotional, you can enrich and inspire your life. *Word in Season* is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of her church family by Lucille A. Powell.

Faith Formation

Starting January 16th, the Adult Sunday School class will resume meeting at 10:15 AM in room 33. The topic of discussion will be "SOAP."

"Thursdays at Ten" is an informal, discussion-type fellowship time which meets Thursdays in room 33 from 10 - 11:30 AM. Newcomers are always welcome! Meetings are resuming this Thursday after the holiday break. Now is a great time to join in the discussion as we start a new topic, "I Will Give You Rest." We'll look at ways to spiritually reduce everyday stress and rest our minds and bodies, giving us a chance to be more aware of God's presence around us. We hope you'll come rest with us!

Didn't get a chance to fill out a Seniors Ministry Survey Form? There are extra copies in the welcome center. They can be returned to the marked black tray in the welcome center. Or, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office and we'll send you one!

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be "delivered"!

Thank You

Thank you to the Altar Guild and their helpers for decorating the sanctuary: Sue Care, Barbara and Carl Eisenhart, Lynn Fegley, Nancy Gross, Rick Hausch, Brenda Hunsberger, Jane Johnson, Jean Moser, Lucille Powell, Jeff Renninger, Deb and Rick Solazzo, Jo Anne Wirt and Sharon Wise.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Larry Gallagher, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, Roy Fleming, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Stephanie Holtz, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Linda Harpel, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, Mary Alice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Catherine Underwood, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Andy Van Dyke, Lilly Marie Kuzminski, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Carly, Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Lawrence Moser, Holli Muffler

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Rachel Walter, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl

Shut-in

Penny Frymoyer

Grieving

Family and friends of Larry Peto, Yvonne Peto's husband and Candace's father and Charles Rhoads, Mary Alice Mack's father

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods

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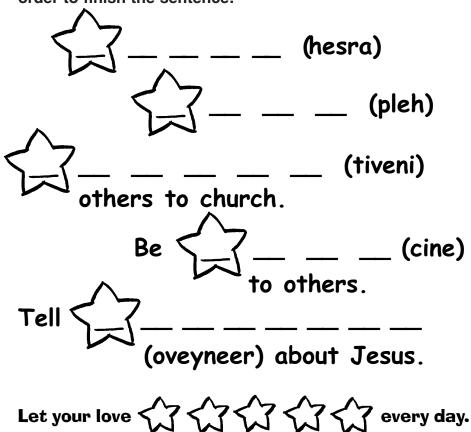
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Send

We can be little lights for Jesus by sharing his love.

Unscramble the words to find five ways we can share Jesus' love. Write the first letter of each unscrambled word inside the star. Then write the letters in the stars in order to finish the sentence.





Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to teach us about your love. Amen

This week

Light a candle at dinner every evening. Have everyone name one way they can share Jesus' love tomorrow.



gather

Welcome to worship.

The season of Christmas lasts for _____ days.

To find the answer, count the and the , and put the numbers in the boxes at the bottom. Add the two numbers. Write your answer in the blank.





hear & celebrate

In the beginning...

John 1:[1-9] 10-18

This is John's version of the Christmas story. Jesus' birth is God's most wonderful gift for all of God's creation, for all of God's children—us! Because Jesus was born as a little baby, and lived with us on earth, we know more about God and can tell others.



Draw baby Jesus in this picture, then draw *you* with baby Jesus.



What did Jesus show us about God? Search the illustration for the hearts, stars, and triangles that have letters in them. Each shape's letters make a word that tells us something about what God is like. Unscramble the letters from each shape and discover three things that God is.

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Try doing something special on each of the 12 days of Christmas. Keep it simple and fun.

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us



- 1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us;
- 2 We are yours; in love be friend us,
- 3 You have prom-ised to re ceive us,
- 4 Ear ly let us seek your fa vor,

much we need your ten - der care. be the guard-ian of our way;

poor and sin - ful though we be;

ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior,

for our use your fold pre-pare. seek us when we go a - stray. grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed you have bought us; we are Je - sus, yours. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed chil - dren when we Je - sus. hear us pray. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you. Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



- 1 Come, thou long-ex pect-ed Je-sus, born to set thy peo-ple free;
- 2 Born thy peo-ple to de-liv-er, born a child, and yet a king;



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee. born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra-cious king-dom bring.

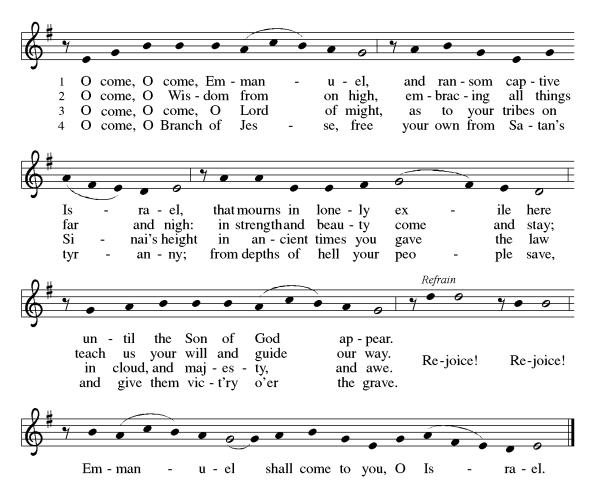


Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art, By thine own e - ter - nal Spir-it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



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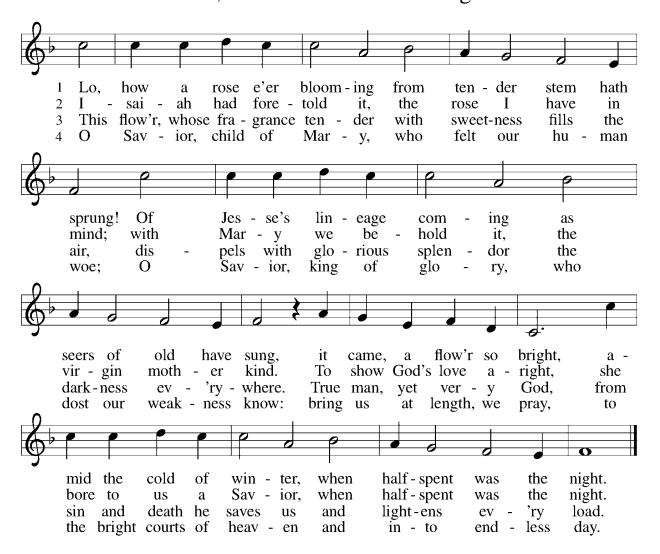
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



- 5 O come, O 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. *Refrain*
- O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;
 O Sun of justice, now draw near.
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
 and death's dark shadow put to flight. Refrain
- 7 O come, O King of nations, come, O Cornerstone that binds in one: refresh the hearts that long for you; restore the broken, make us new. *Refrain*
- 8 O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. *Refrain*

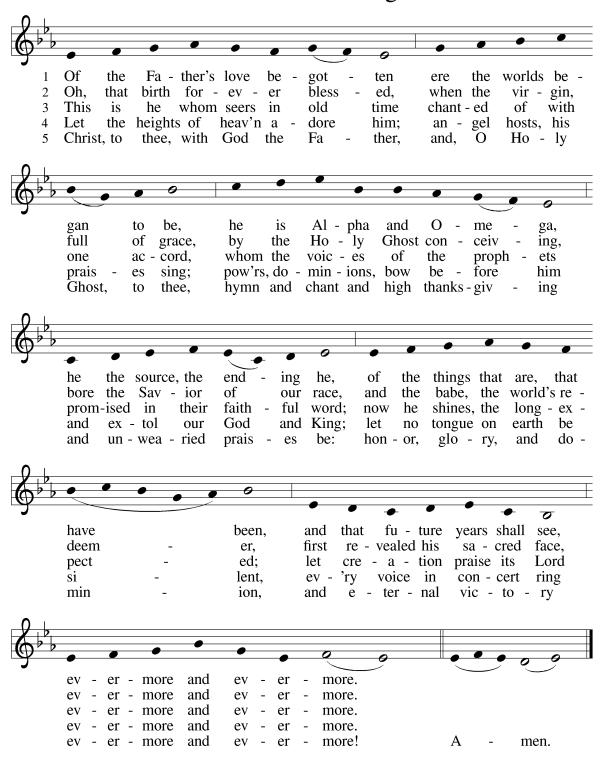
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Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming



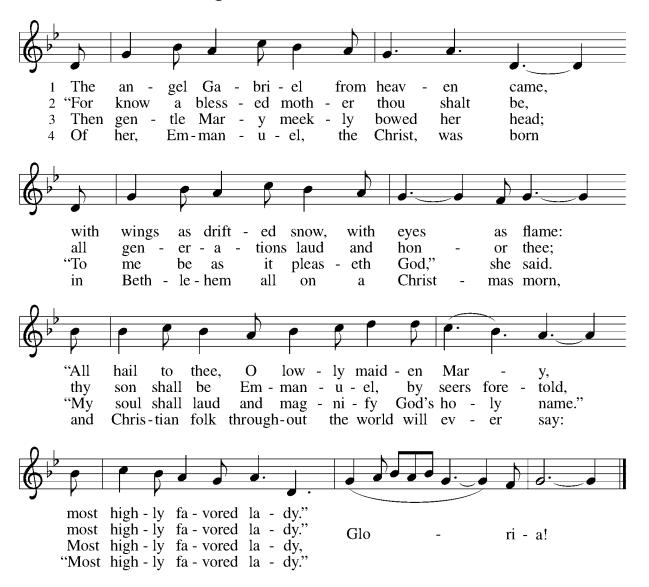
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Of the Father's Love Begotten



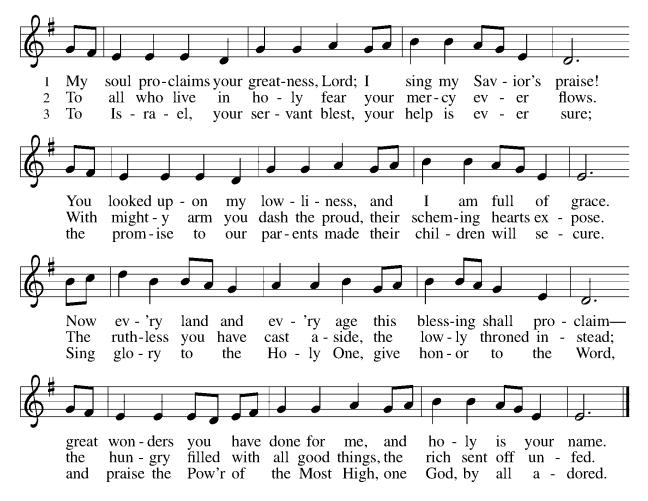
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The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came



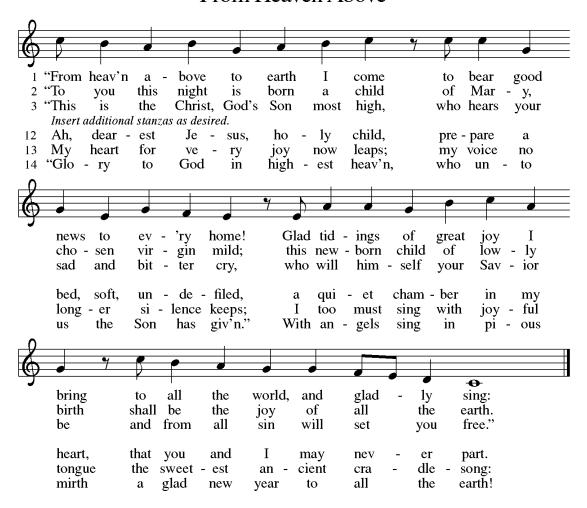
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My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness



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From Heaven Above

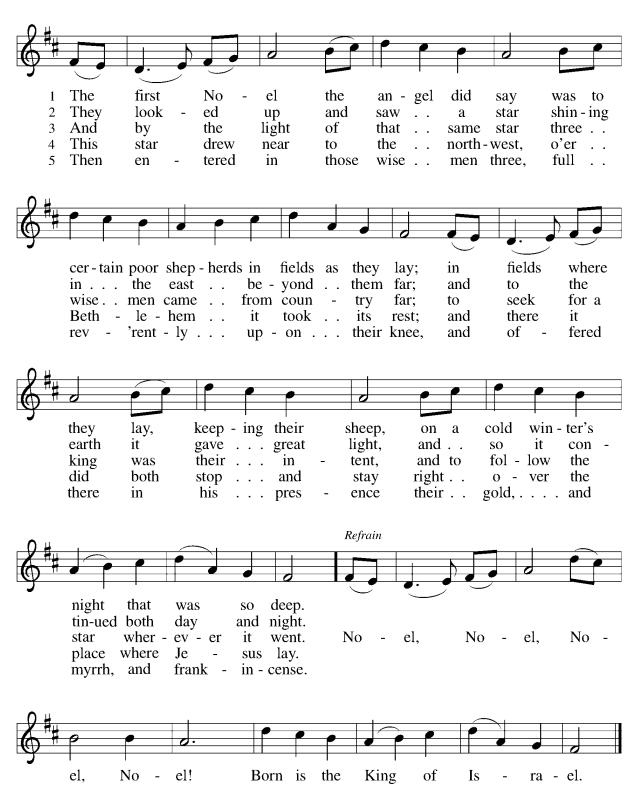


- 4 "The blessing that the Father planned the Son holds in his infant hand, that in his kingdom, bright and fair, you may with us his glory share."
- 5 "These are the signs that you will see to let you know that it is he: in manger-bed, in swaddling clothes the child who all the earth upholds."
- 6 Now let us all with joyful cheer go with the shepherds and draw near to see this wondrous gift of God, the blessed child to us bestowed.
- Look, look, dear friends, look over there!What lies within that manger bare?Who is that lovely little one?The baby Jesus, God's dear Son.

- 8 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest, through whom this sinful world is blest! You turned not from our needs away; how can our thanks such live repay?
- 9 O Lord, you have created all! How did you come to be so small, to sweetly sleep in manger-bed where lowing cattle lately fed?
- 10 Were earth a thousand times as fair and set with gold and jewels rare, still such a cradle would not do to rock a prince so great as you.
- 11 For velvets soft and silken stuff you have but hay and straw so rough on which as king so rich and great to be enthroned in humble state.

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The First Noel



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What Child Is This



- 1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mar-y's lap is sleep-ing?
- 2 Why lies he in such mean es-tate where ox and ass are feed-ing?
- 3 So bring him in cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas-ant, king, to own him.



Whom an - gels greet with an-thems sweet while shep-herds watch are keep-ing? Good Chris-tian, fear; for sin-ners here the si - lent Word is plead-ing. The King of kings sal - va-tion brings; let lov - ing hearts en-throne him.



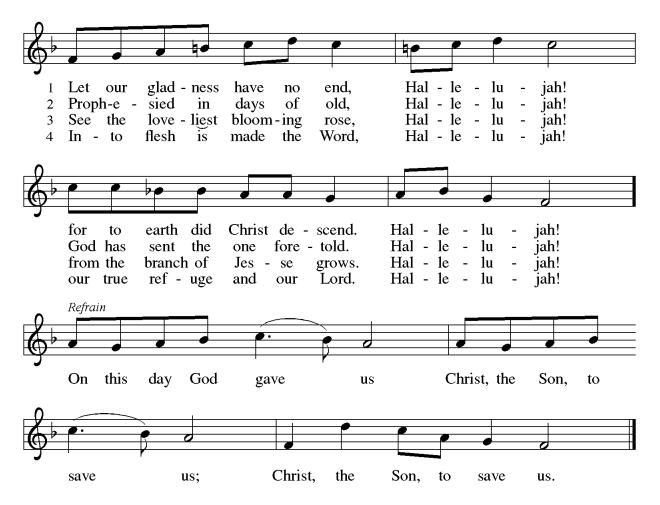
This, this is Christ the king, whom shep-herds guard and an-gels sing; Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you; Raise, raise the song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



haste, haste bring him laud, babe, the of Mar - y! to the son hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y! Christ is born, Mar - y! joy, joy, for the babe, the son of

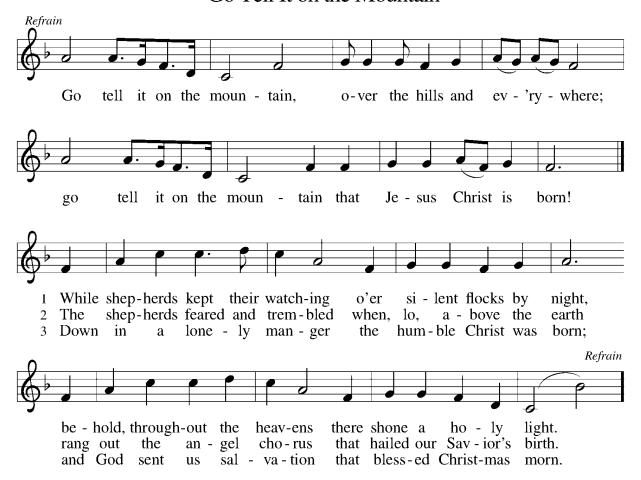
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Let Our Gladness Have No End



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