

# West Hills Church

## Worship Guide

### Christmas Eve Worship

December 24, 2020

#### Preservice Music Selections

In the Bleak Midwinter  
What Child Is This  
Away in a Manger  
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

#### Welcome

To all who are weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;  
and to all who will come,  
this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### O Come All Ye Unfaithful

##### Isaiah 9:2, 6

The people walking in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of deep darkness  
a light has dawned.  
For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given,  
and the government will be on his shoulders.  
And he will be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

#### Joy to the World!

Joy to the world the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every 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 and wonders of His love

#### O Come All Ye Faithful

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!

**O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!**

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
O sing, all ye bright hosts of heav'n above!  
Glory to God, All glory in the highest!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing!

## Lighting of the Christ Candle

### From John 1

In the beginning the Word already existed. He was with God, and he was God. He was in the beginning with God. He created everything there is. Nothing exists that he didn't make. Life itself was in him, and this life gives light to everyone. The light shines through the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. So the Word became human and lived here on earth among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithful-ness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son of the Father.

### One Candle Is Lit

Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,  
our hearts long to greet you, as roses, the light.  
Salvation, draw near us, our vision engage.  
One candle is lit for the hope of the age.

Come quickly, shalom, teach us how to prepare  
for a gift that compels us with justice to care.  
Our spirits are restless till sin and war cease.  
One candle is lit for the reign of God's peace.

Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth,  
join angels in dancing from heaven to earth.  
Wave banners of good news,  
lift high thankful praise.  
One candle is lit for the joy of these days.

Come, wander where lion and lamb gently play,  
where evil is banished and faith takes the day,  
a babe in a manger to fool the world's eyes.  
One candle is lit for God's loving surprise.

Come, listen, the sounds  
Of God with us ring clear,  
and signs of a cross in the distance appear.  
The Word once made flesh,  
yet the Word ever near.  
One candle is lit For the Christ birthday here.

### Rocking

### Family Ministry Moment

## Scripture: Luke 2:1-14

### Sermon

#### O Holy Night

O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining  
'Til He appears and the soul felt its worth  
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn  
Fall on your knees; O hear the Angel voices!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born  
O night, O Holy night, O night divine!

Truly He taught us to love one another;  
His law is love and His Gospel is Peace  
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother  
And in His name, all oppression shall cease  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we  
Let all within us Praise His Holy name  
Christ is the Lord; O praise His name forever!  
His power and glory evermore proclaim  
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### Pastoral Prayer

#### 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,  
Darkness flies, all is light;  
Shepherds hear the angels sing,  
"Alleluia! Hail the King!  
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.

Silent night, holy night,  
Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing  
Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born.

### **Blessing**

**Postlude: Joy to the World!**