

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

December 25, 2022 9:00 a.m.



Gathering Song

ELW 288 - Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!

Dialogue

Who are these angels who come to earth,
bearing the news of the Christ child's birth?
Who are these shepherds who run to see,
and worship the babe on bended knee?
Who is this child, so small, so slight,
of whom the angels sang that night?
Whose reign is this, a manger the throne,
who some humbly born to make us God's own?
Who is this God who sends this One
into our midst, the promised Love?

Greeting and Prayer

Open to ELW 268 – *From Heaven Above*

Who Are These Angels Who Come to Earth?

Lesson: Luke 2:8-14

Following a brief silence for prayer and meditation:

Carol: *From Heaven Above* ELW 268 / verse 1

Who Are These Shepherds Who Run to See?

Lesson: Luke 2:15-20

Following a brief silence for prayer and meditation:

Carol: *From Heaven Above* ELW 268 / verse 6

Who Is This Child, So Small, So Slight?

Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4

Following a brief silence for prayer and meditation:

Carol: *From Heaven Above* ELW 268 / verse 9

Who Is This King, a Manger His Throne?

Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-7

Following a brief silence for prayer and meditation:

Carol: *From Heaven Above* ELW 268 / verse 11

Who Is This God, Who Sends this One?

Lesson: John 1:1-14

Following a brief silence for prayer and meditation:

Carol: *From Heaven Above* ELW 268 / 13-14

Prayers of Intercession

Gracious God, you come from heaven above
into the midst of our world.

Fill our hearts

with the joy of the angels at your birth.

You come from heaven above
to the lowliest of human conditions.

**Watch over those in need,
the sick, the hungry, the grieving.**

You come from heaven above to walk the way of the cross.

**Guide us to follow your path
of forgiveness, mercy, and peace.**

You come from heaven above
to become flesh and live among us.

May we see your glory, full of grace and truth. Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Wish Basket

You are invited to raise a hand or call out a favorite Christmas or Advent hymn!

Offering

Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father/Parent, 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.**

Prayer after Communion

O Lord our God,
we give you thanks for the gifts of bread and wine,
the living body and life blood of Jesus Christ.
Send us out into your world to proclaim with joy:
**Glory to God in highest heaven,
who unto us a Child has given. Amen.**

Blessing

Sending Song

ELW 292 - Love Has Come

Dismissal

Christ the Savior is born!
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.
Thanks be to God.

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Christmas Day

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor/Presider - Pastor Amalia Vagts

Accompanist & Special Music - Gréta Pásztor

Assisting Minister - Ted Adams

Ushers & Acolytes - Olga Ryan, Patty Sirls

**Sound & Video - Kent Pflibsen, Tracy Ratliff,
Timothy Bustamante, Jack Ryan**



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