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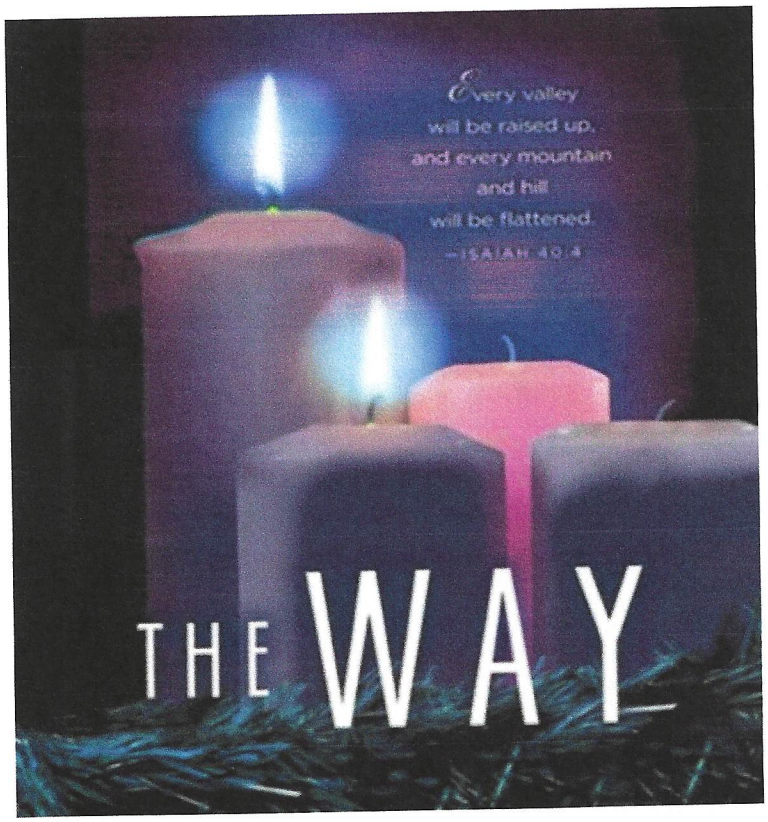

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Advent

Drive In Church - FM 89.5

Please turn off all cellphones

December 5, 2021 11:00 a.m.

As we prepare for Worship, let us enter into a state of reverence before our Lord.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE: Kelly Harris

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

I INTROIT *"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"* *(verse 2)*

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH: The Decker's

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The voice of the Lord declares, "Comfort, O comfort my people."

People: A voice cries out, "Prepare the way of the Lord!"

Leader: The earth will be transformed, God's glory will be revealed.

People: We expect your arrival in fire and flame. Instead, we follow a star on a cold night.

Leader: You meet us in this place, as we remember your curious way.

People: As we wait, cleanse us. As we wait, mold us.

Leader: Our ears and eyes perceive no other god besides You, and so we worship this day.

People: We are all your people, and we will wait for You.

HYMN *"While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks"* *(verses 1,2,6)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, Lord, for the times we refuse to listen to those who announce your presence. Forgive us when we ignore the cries that come from the wilderness. Allow us to understand that, like John the Baptist, we too are unworthy before the Lord of All. Help us live into our baptisms. Remind us of the beginning of

the Good News of Jesus Christ and empower us to be the continuation of that Good News. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
GLORIA PATRI
CHILDREN'S TIME FOR DISCOVERY Rev. Bangley

ANTHEM *"Lo, How a Rose Ere Blooming"* CPC Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isaiah 9:2-7 KJV

SERMON: "Greatness in the Manger" Rev. Bangley

***THE APOSTLES' CREED** pg. 35 Hymnal
DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
- **Prayer Concerns**
- **Invitation**
- **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer**
- **Blessing of Elements**
- **Prayer**

HYMN *"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"* *(verses 1,2,3)*

CHARGE

BENEDICTION *"We Need a Little Christmas"* *(2 times)*

POSTLUDE Kelly Harris

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pat Deacon Gatha Hall Mary Jarvis Harriett Lees C.B Potter Janet Scott

Family and Friends

Bob Fontenot (Mark's uncle)	Stroke
Brandy Roberts Hostetter	Cancer
Brenda Tomlin (Geoff Goodbar co-worker)	Breast Cancer
Carrie VanNess	Health Issues
Carter Chittum	Cancer
Carl Demsky	Health Issues
David Orr	Cancer
Jeff Nicely	Cancer
Jim Hamilton	Cancer
Johanna Dobbins (Mike Lewis's mother)	Cancer
Johnny Crutchfield	Cancer
Joyce Chittum	Cancer
Kevin Morris	COVID
Larry Blackwell	ALS
Mary Simmons (Zola Goodbar's sister)	Heart
Ricky and Mamie Trussell	Cancer
Roger Simmons	Cancer
Stevie Brown (Shelley's uncle)	Cancer
Stuart Deacon	Cancer

Shut In's

Ecalean Entsminger	Home
Jean Fontenot	The Retreat *(Fishersville)*
Nellie Leech	Havenwood

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

Please be in prayer for Reva Fairburn as she had foot surgery on November 24th and is recovering at home. You may send get well cards to her at 1008 Hayslette Road, Lexington, VA 24450.

CARD SHOWER

Please join the Presbyterian Women in celebrating the upcoming Christmas birth of John Neal Scott and Kelsey Hickman's precious baby boy. As a token of our love and support, PW is asking our CPC family to shower John Neal and Kelsey with gifts and gift cards. If you wish to purchase a gift, you can leave it in the kitchen for delivery. Cards and gift cards can be mailed directly to John Neal and Kelsey at 4117 Poindexter Road Louisa, VA 23093.

The proud parents are eager to share their growing family with CPC. Please keep John Neal and Kelsey along with proud Grandmother Janet Scott close in your prayers during this most exciting time. Thank you!

COOKIES FOR CAROLING

The Christian Education Committee has scheduled Christmas Caroling on December 19th and 22nd. The 19th we will be caroling out and about the Collierstown area. On the 22nd we will meet to go caroling around town. We would like to have some goodies to package and gift our CPC friends and family that we visit on those dates. You may drop off your items in the church kitchen by noon on Saturday, December 18th. Thank you

The **Presbyterian Women** would like to thank the members of the congregation who supported the annual Thank Offering. A total of $255 was received and will be used to support fifteen ministries, nine in the United States and three that are international, Gifts received will be used to support ministries that seek to meet health needs, provide proper nutrition, assist the displaced, provide safe and accessible housing, and help individuals secure skills and job training here in the United States and around the world. Your generosity in meeting the needs of others is appreciated.

The annual **Christmas Card exchange** among church members and friends is underway. Cards should be addressed to the recipients, placed in alphabetical order, banded together, and placed in the mailbox located in the vestibule near the ramp. Cards will be collected December 1-15. The Witness & Congregational Care committee will place the cards received in holiday bags marked for the recipients. Bags of cards will be available on December 19 in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for members to pick up. All holiday greetings need to be in the mailbox by December 15!

Worried about getting and giving gifts for everyone on your list? This year consider giving an **"Alternative Christmas Gift"** in honor of the special people in your life. The Witness and Congregational Care Committee would like to suggest four ministries that will further the message of the gospel while honoring those individuals who have meant so much to you. The suggested ministries are Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Cindy Corell, a mission co-worker in Haiti serving as the Presbyterian Hunger Program/Joining Hands companionship facilitator, CPC Backyard Missions, and the CPC Play Structure. A description of each and the details on giving an alternative gift can be found in the December Church Newsletter or by contacting Debbie McCormick, WCC Chairman.

The **Christmas Joy Gift Offering** will be received on Sunday, December 19. Fifty percent of the gifts given will support current and former church leaders through the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions. The remaining fifty percent of the Joy Gift will be used to support new leaders through the ministry of Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. Offering envelopes for your gifts have been placed in the bulletin, at each sanctuary door, and on the bulletin board by the ramp entrance to the building.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM NEWS FROM KELLY HARRIS

Here is the rehearsal and program schedule. Please mark your calendars.
Kids Choir from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.; Adult Choir from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.
Thursday 12/9; Saturday 12/11 from 10:00 a.m. – Noon for dress rehearsal
The Christmas Program is Sunday December 12, be at the church by 10am.

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES:

Please do not forget to drop a card, gift card, goodie package in the mail to our college students as the semester winds down and exams begin. A thoughtful note, goody bag will warm their hearts, and bring smiles to their faces as they are remembered back home during this stressful time.

Harper Knick James Madison University JMU Box 1011 Harrisonburg, VA 22807		**Braden Gualtieri** Bridgewater College 402 E. College Street 1213 Bridgewater, VA 22812
Lindsey Ramsey (Staunton School of Cosmetology) 935 Sugar Creek Road Lexington, VA 24450		**Sarah Hildreth** WPI - Box 6819 100 Institute Road Worcester, MA 01609
Thomas Stillwell James Madison University JMU Box 2262 Harrisonburg, VA 22807		**Jake Tomlin** Bridgewater College 402E. College Street Bridgewater, VA 22812

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE TREGER'S

We will not be here to receive any greeting cards at Christmas. Instead, please say a prayer for our safe travels to Denver where we will be with Sarah and Ian who continue to work remotely. We wish our church family a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy 2022.
In your honor, we have donated to the Playground Fund.
Neil & Michelle Treger

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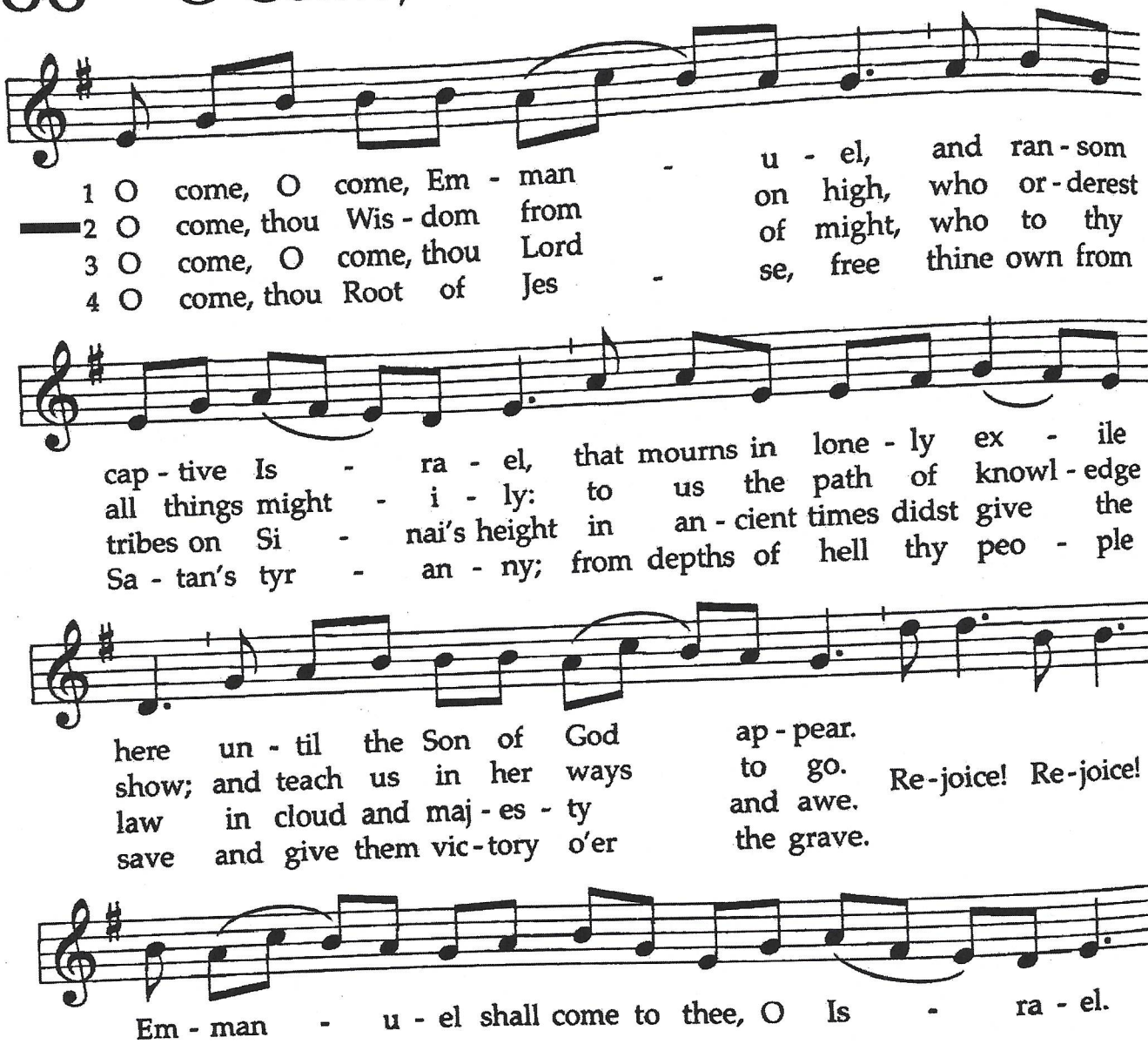
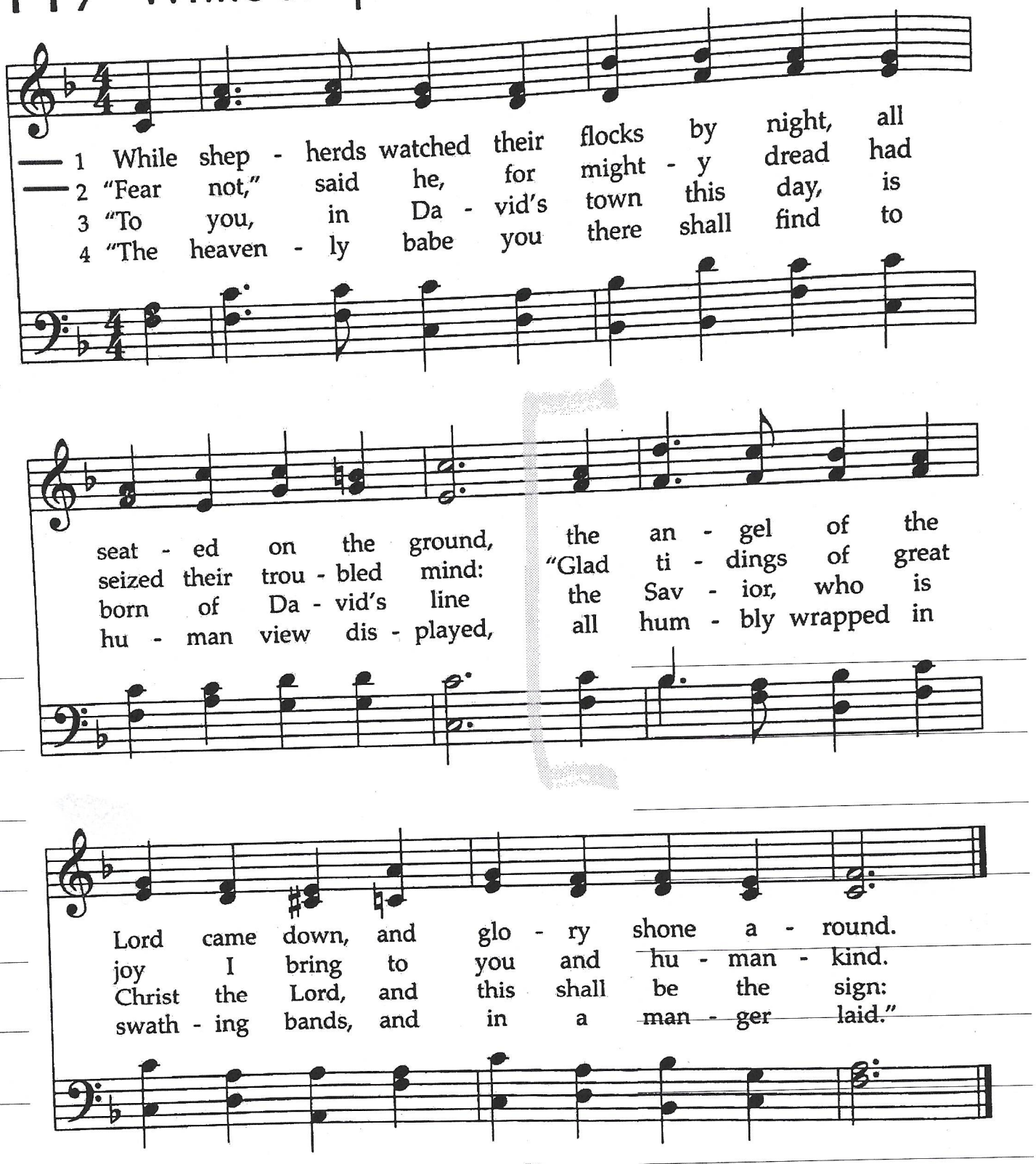


5 O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

6 O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

7 O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife, and discord cease;
fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

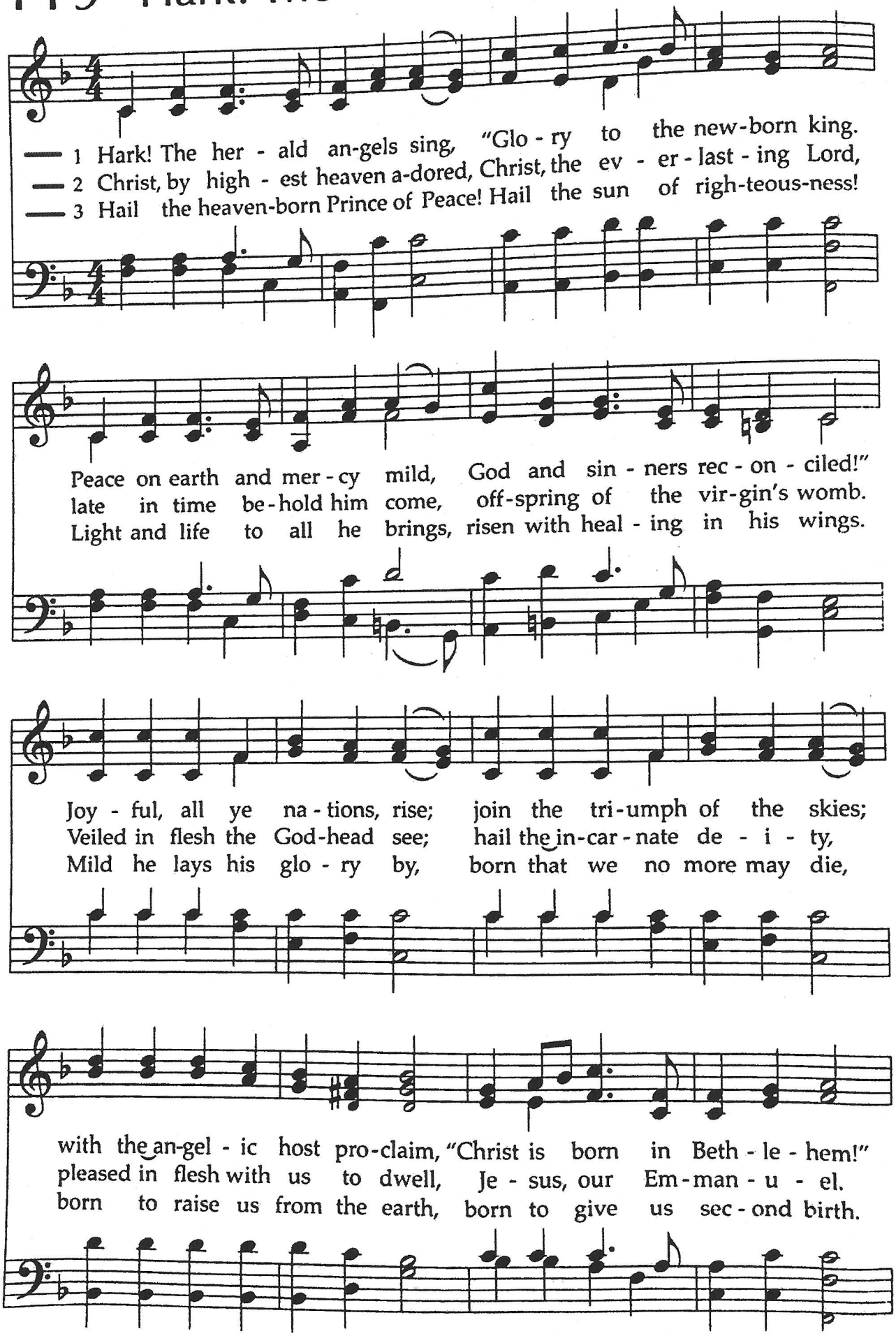
117 While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

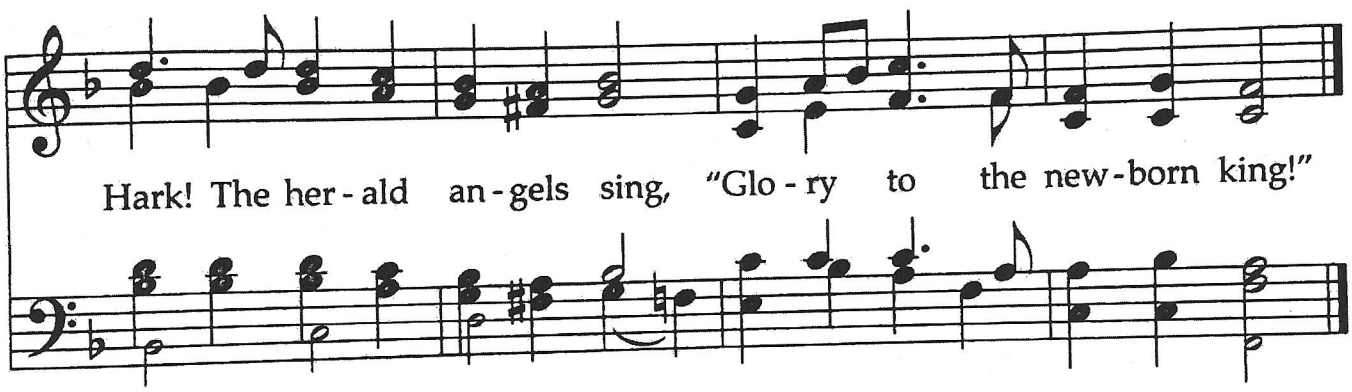


5 Thus spoke the seraph, and forthwith
appeared a shining throng
of angels praising God, who thus
addressed their joyful song:

6 "All glory be to God on high,
and to the earth be peace;
good will to all from highest heaven
begin and never cease!"

119 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing




Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born king!"

We Need a Little Christmas

2 times

For… we… Need a little music

Need a little laughter

Need a little singing

Ringing through the rafter

And we need a little snappy

'Happy ever after'

Need a little Christmas now

Santa Claus is coming to Collierstown

SANTA'S MAIL

Drop Off Your Letters to Santa

December 11, 2021
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Free Professional Photos With Santa

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Collierstown Baptist Church
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Oxford Presbyterian Church

FOOD TRUCK

Big Steve's food truck on site for lunch