



*For unto us  
a child is born*

...AND HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED

WONDERFUL, COUNSELLOR,

*The mighty God,*

THE EVERLASTING FATHER,

THE PRINCE OF PEACE.

ISAIAH 9:6



# St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

Bonduel, Wisconsin

December 24, 2016

## The Nativity of our Lord Christmas Eve

### Processional

*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!

Highest, most holy, Light of Light eternal,  
Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;  
Son of the Father Now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord!

### Christmas Eve Litany

In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**B**eloved in Christ, on this holy eve, let it be our care and delight to receive the temporal and eternal blessings of Emmanuel—God with us. May His Word “Do not fear!” enter our hearts this night as it did for those to whom He first spoke through His angels — to Joseph, to Mary, and to the shepherds — thereby granting us peace in knowing the Lord is come. Let us fill this house of the Lord with sounds of gladness and carols of praise, for indeed...

The promised Deliverer has come.

He comes to forgive,

**To forgive us for our sins.**

He comes to suffer,

**To suffer the punishment we deserve.**

He comes to cast out fear,

**To release us from the fear of death and eternal punishment.**

With repentant hearts, on this holy night, we confess that...

**We actually fear events which have little consequence.**

**We make too important things that do not really matter.**

We sit in the pews at St. Paul and kneel at His altar with low expectations,

**as if He is absent, or not powerful,**

**as if He does not love us, or will not forgive us,**

**or as if our sin does not matter,**

**or as if He is not concerned for our wellbeing in life or in death.**

We sometimes act as if true fulfillment is discovered elsewhere.

**O Lord, we are so comfortable with our idolatry.**

**Forgive us, dear Lord, for our failure to fear, love, and trust in You.**

Do not fear! I proclaim Good News to you of great joy!

**For there is born to you today a Savior,**

**Who is Christ the Lord!**

As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen!**

## Response

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God In the highest:

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

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

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

## Christmas Prayer

O God, You make us glad with the festive remembrance of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that we may joyfully receive Him as our redeemer, the One who casts out our fear of sin and death, for with You and the Holy spirit, He lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Response** *(stand)*      *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

Angels from the realms of glory,  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
Ye who sang creation's story,  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.  
Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

All creation, join in praising  
God the Father, Spirit, Son,  
Evermore your voices raising  
To the eternal Three in One.  
Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

# The Christmas Gospel

## The Prophecy of the Virgin Birth

### A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah *Isaiah 7:10-14*

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, <sup>11</sup>“Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be as deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” <sup>12</sup>But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test.” <sup>13</sup>And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup>Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Meditation** *As Deep as Sheol or High as Heaven (Isaiah 7:11)*

## Response

### *A Great and Mighty Wonder*

A great and mighty wonder,  
A full and holy cure:  
The virgin bears the infant  
With virgin honor pure!  
Proclaim the Savior's birth:  
"To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth!"

The Word becomes incarnate  
And yet remains on high,  
And cherubim sing anthems  
To shepherds from the sky.  
Proclaim the Savior's birth:  
"To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth!"

Since all He comes to ransom,  
By all be He adored,  
The infant born in Bethl'em,  
The Savior and the Lord.  
Proclaim the Savior's birth:  
"To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth!"

## The Birth of Jesus

## Meditation

*And It Came to Pass – In Those Days* (Luke 2:1)

## A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

*Saint Luke 2:1-7*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

**A**nd it came to pass in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>And all went to be registered, each to his own town. <sup>4</sup>And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup>to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. <sup>6</sup>And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!**

## Meditation

*The Time Came* (Luke 2:6)

## Response

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Infant holy,  
Infant lowly,  
For His bed a cattle stall;  
Oxen lowing,  
Little knowing  
Christ the child is Lord of all.  
Swiftly winging,  
Angels singing,  
Bells are ringing,  
Tidings bringing:  
Christ the child is Lord of all!  
Christ the child is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping,  
Shepherds keeping  
Vigil till the morning new  
Saw the glory,  
Heard the story,  
Tidings of a Gospel true.  
Thus rejoicing,  
Free from sorrow,  
Praises voicing,  
Greet the morrow:  
Christ the child was born for you!  
Christ the child was born for you!

# The Message of the Angels

## Holy Scripture

*Saint Luke 2:8-14*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

**A**nd in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. <sup>10</sup>And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup>For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace  
among those with whom he is pleased!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!**

## Meditation

*TODAY a Savior (Luke 2:10)*

## Response

*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 the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"



Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Immanuel!  
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

**Meditation**      *Today a SAVIOR* (Luke 2:10)

## Response

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, risen 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!"

# The Response of the Shepherds

**Holy Scripture**      *Saint Luke 2:15–20*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

**W**hen the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. <sup>17</sup>And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. <sup>18</sup>And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!**

## **Meditation**

*Made Known* (Luke 2:15, 17)

## **Response**

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

Angels we have heard on high,  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply,  
echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
which inspire your heav'nly song?

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

## **Meditation**

*Marvel, Treasure, Ponder, Glorify* (Luke 2:18-20)

## **Response**

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

## **Offering**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

# Lighting of the Candles

*(Please tip the unlit candle when lighting, always holding lit candles upright.)*

## *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 [bright] 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 cradle till 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 take us to heaven to live with Thee there.

## **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you

And be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

## *Silent Night, Holy 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!  
Shepherds quake at the sight;  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior, is born!  
Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from your holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

*(After the hymn, please extinguish candles and be seated. Please wait to be ushered out.)*



# *Serving the Lord in Worship*

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**Altar Flowers sponsored . . .** placed by Cindy Westphal in memory of Adolph 'Spitz' & Rose Druckrey who were married on Christmas Day.

**Christmas Day Service – Holy Communion**  
**Sunday, December 25 – 9:00am**

*Poinsettias may be taken home following the  
Christmas Day service on December 25<sup>th</sup>.*



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