



December 24, 2017

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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## Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

### **Choir: Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!  
Behold, the King of Glory waits;  
The King of kings is drawing near,  
The Savior of the world is here.

A Helper just He comes to thee,  
His chariot is humility,  
His kingly crown is holiness,  
His scepter, pity in distress,

O blest the land, the city blest,  
Where Christ the Ruler is confessed!  
O happy hearts and happy homes  
To whom this King in triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart;  
Make it a temple set apart  
From earthly use for Heaven's employ,  
Adorned with prayer and love and joy.

\* *Congregation:*

Redeemer, come! I open wide  
My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!  
Let me Thy inner presence feel,  
Thy grace and love in me reveal;

So come my Sovereign enter in  
Let new and nobler life begin.  
Thy Holy Spirit guide us on  
Until our glorious crown is won!

\* Please stand if you are able

### **\*O Come All Ye Faithful**

Oh, come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant  
Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem  
Come and behold him Born the king of angels  
*Oh, come, let us adore him*  
*Oh, come, let us adore him*  
*Christ, the Lord*

God of God, Light of Light  
Lo he abhors not the virgin's womb  
Very God, begotten, not created

Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above  
Glory to God In the highest

Yea, Lord, we greet thee  
Born this happy morning  
Jesus, to thee be glory given  
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing

### **Reading: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7**

#### **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

O come, O come Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel*

O come, o come, Thou Lord of might  
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient time didst give the law  
in cloud, and majesty, and awe

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny  
From depths of hell thy people save  
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave

O come, thou Dayspring from on high  
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadow put to flight

O come, thou Key of David come  
And open wide our heav'nly home  
Make safe the way that leads on high  
And close the path of misery

### **Reading: Luke 1:26-38**

#### **\*Joy to the World**

Joy to the world, the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing  
And heaven, and heaven, 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, wonders, of His love

#### **\*Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25**

### **\*O little town of Bethlehem**

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary; and gathered all above  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring love  
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous Gift is given;  
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

### **Reading: Luke 2:1-20**

### **\*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 th’angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

Christ, by highest heav’n adored, Christ the everlasting Lord!  
Late in time, behold Him come, offspring of a virgin’s womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th’incarnate Deity,  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel  
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

Hail the heavenly Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n 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!”

## **Christmas Message: The Perfect Gift (Matthew 1:21-23)**

*“She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).*

### **Choir: Morning Star, O cheering sight**

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Ere thou cam'st, how dark earth's night!

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Ere thou cam'st, how dark earth's night!

Jesus mine, in me shine; in me shine, Jesus mine;

fill my heart with light divine.

Morning Star, thy glory bright  
far excels the sun's clear light.

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far excels the sun's clear light.

Jesus be, constantly, Constantly, Jesus be  
More than thousand suns to me.

Thy glad beams, thou Morning Star,  
cheer the nations near and far.

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Thee we own, Lord alone, Lord alone, thee we own,  
Our dear Savior, God's dear Son.

Morning Star, my soul's true light,  
tarry not, dispel my night.

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Jesus mine, in me shine; in me shine, Jesus mine;  
Fill my heart with light divine.

### **\*Lighting of Candles**

*Candles will be lit during ‘Silent Night’. Please deposit candles in boxes by both exits on your way out.*

### **\*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

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ, the Saviour 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

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

### **\*Christmas Blessing: Isaiah 9:2**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given. Go in the Light of the Son.

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