

BETHEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM

WELCOME

Piano Duet: O Come All Ye Faithful

Song: 189 - O Come All Ye Faithful (denotes congregation standing for the hymn)

I: Genesis 3: 8–19 and 22:15-18, The Fall of Man and Hope through Abraham’s Line

*Song: 203 - Good Christian Men Rejoice!

II. Isaiah 9: 2, 6–7 and 11:1-2, Prophecy of the Coming Messiah

Piano Duet - O Holy Night

III. Luke 1: 26–35; 38, The Angel Gabriel Visits Mary

Song: 194 - It Came Upon a Midnight Clear (congregation seated)

IV. Luke 2: 1; 3–7, Mary Gives Birth in Bethlehem

Solo - “Welcome to Our World” (lyrics on reverse)

V. Luke 2: 8–16, Shepherds and Angels Welcome Jesus' Birth (congregation)

⁸ Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. ¹⁰ Then the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. ¹¹ For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.” ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”

¹⁵ So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, “Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.” ¹⁶ And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.

*Song: 225 - Angels We Have Heard on High (verses 1 & 2)

VI. John 1: 1–14, The Word Became Flesh

Meditation - Pastor Brian Gerber

*Song: 199 - Joy to the World

CLOSING PRAYER