



FROM HEAVEN ABOVE
Immanuel Lutheran Children's Program
December 24, 2018 6 pm

Prelude

The Processional Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" LSB 368

Congregation and Children:

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

Refrain—All Sing:

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
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Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Refrain

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

Refrain

The Invocation

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

All: Amen.

Responsive Reading

From heaven above,

All: The angels sing.

On earth below,

All: Our praises bring.

Our Lord has come,

All: With us to dwell.

Now we go out:

All: Good News to tell!

Hymn

"What Child Is This"

LSB 370

Congregation and Children

What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the king,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary!

Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
The babe, the son of Mary!

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
The virgin sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,

The babe, the son of Mary!

The Christmas Meditation

Offering: Silent Night

The Message Presented by the Children

A Bible Reading:

Luke 2:1-7

Children: From heav'n above,

People: To earth in love!

Hymn "Away in a Manger"
Kindergarten

Sung by PreK-

Action Rhythm by 1st and 2nd Grade

Hymn " From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

LSB

358:1-2

Children:

"From heav'n above to earth I come

To bear good news to ev'ry home;

Glad tidings of great joy I bring,

Whereof I now will say and sing:

Congregation:

"To you this night is born a child

Of Mary, chosen virgin mild;

This little child of lowly birth

Shall be the joy of all the earth."

A Bible Reading:

Luke 2:8-14

Children: From heav'n above,

People: To earth in love!

Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

LSB 379:1-3

Congregation and Children:

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:

Refrain (sung by all):

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! *Refrain*

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

A Reading

Children: From heav'n above,
People: To earth in love!

Hymn "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

LSB **358:5-6**

Children:

"These are the signs that you shall mark:
The swaddling clothes and manger dark.
There you will find the infant laid
By whom the heav'ns and earth were made."

Congregation:

How glad we'll be to find it so!
Then with the shepherds let us go
To see what God for us has done

In sending us His own dear Son.

Action Rhyme by 3rd and 4th Grade

A Bible Reading

Luke 2:15–20

Children: From heav'n above,

People: To earth in love!

Choir Sings

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

arr: Lani Smith

"Let Our Gladness Have No End"

A Reading

Children: From heav'n above,

People: To earth in love!

Hymn "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

LSB 358:13–14

Children:

Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,

Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,

A quiet chamber set apart

For You to dwell within my heart.

Congregation:

My heart for very joy must leap;

My lips no more can silence keep.

I, too, must sing with joyful tongue

That sweetest ancient cradlesong.

Action Rhyme by Pre-K and Kindergarten

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of

saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

A Reading

Children: From heav'n above,

People: To earth in love!

Hymn " From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"

LSB 358:15

Children and Congregation:

Glory to God in highest heav'n,

Who unto us His Son has giv'n!

While angels sing with pious mirth

A glad new year to all the earth.

Responsive Reading

From heaven above,

All: The angels sing.

On earth below,

All: Our praises bring.

Our Lord has come,

All: With us to dwell.

Now we go out:

All: Good News to tell!

The angels gave

Children: Good News to tell!

The shepherds ran

Children: Good News to tell!

Now we go out:

All: Good News to tell!

Prayer

We pray:

All: Father in heaven, You sent Your Son to earth to be our Savior. You sent the angels down to tell the Good News. You sent the shepherds out to tell the Good News. And You send us now to tell the Good News. Help us share the message of Your love throughout the world. In His name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

Recessional Hymn

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

LSB 388

Congregation and Children

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light. *Refrain*

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo, above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth. *Refrain*

Down in a lonely manger
The humble Christ was born;
And God sent us salvation
That blessèd Christmas morn. *Refrain*

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

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Tonight's offering will go to Lead a Child.