

**SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE**  
**December 20, 2020**  
**9:00 and 11:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE      *The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came*      Edgar Pettman

WELCOME Rev. Marty Vershel

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE The Coats Family

The Lord says, “See, I create a new heaven, and a new earth. The old things are gone, the new have come. I will rejoice over Jerusalem. The sound of weeping will be heard in it no more.” Today, we light this candle as a reminder of the wonder that the Christ’s birth brought to earth. The angels descended from heaven to herald his arrival as the glory of the Lord burst forth to the world. The promise of a savior was finally fulfilled. Joy to the World. The Lord is come!

\*HYMN OF WELCOME      *O Come, All Ye Faithful*      arr. Dan Forrest  
Sanctuary Choir

**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

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

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exaltation!  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!**

### ***Repeat Refrain***

**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given.  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing**

*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore,  
O come, let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

LIFE OF THE CHURCH Rev. Marty Vershel

MINISTRY IN MUSIC      *Do You Hear What I Hear?*      arr. Harry Simeone  
Chapter 8

*Said the night wind to the little lamb, "Do you see what I see?  
Way up in the sky, little lamb. Do you see what I see?  
A star, a star, dancing in the night, with a tail as big as a kite,  
With a tail as big as a kite."*

*Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy, "Do you hear what I hear?  
 Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy, do you hear what I hear?  
 A song, a song high above the tree with a voice as big as the sea,  
 With a voice as big as the sea."*

*Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king, "Do you know what I know?  
In your palace warm, mighty king, do you know what I know?  
A Child, a Child shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver and gold,  
Let us bring him silver and gold."*

*Said the king to the people everywhere, "Listen to what I say:  
Pray for peace, people everywhere! Listen to what I say:  
The Child, the Child sleeping in the night, He will bring us goodness and light,  
He will bring us goodness and light. Bring us light."*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Courtney Hutchins

\*THE WORD IN SCRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-2; 9-10  
This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE Rev. Andy Nixon

***Keeping the Lights On: Overwhelmed with Joy***

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN OF BLESSING                      *The First Noel*                      arr. Dan Forrester  
    Sanctuary Choir  
    *Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King! Noel!*

The first Noel the angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields where they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

**Refrain**  
**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!**  
**Born is the King of Israel.**

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.

*Repeat Refrain*

*Noel, Noel*

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
And with His blood mankind hath bought.

*Refrain*

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
*Born is the King! Noel, Noel!*

BENEDICTION Rev. Marty Vershel

POSTLUDE *Joy to the World* arr. Joel Raney

*\* Please stand, as you are able.*

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