



## Part Three – Our Christmas Joy Lasts Much Longer

*Recitations – Grades 3-5 and Grades 1 and 2*

*Song by Children – “Arise, Shine, Jesus Has Come”*

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*Offering and Closing Prayer*

*Closing Recitations*

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*Blessing*

*Recessional*

*“Joy to The World”*

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**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let all 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.**



## A Reason to Celebrate

Children's Christmas Service  
December 16, 2007

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER  
LUTHERAN CHURCH AND  
SCHOOL

This service is a worship service.  
Please hold your applause, refrain from  
using cameras and videos, and turn off all  
pagers and phones. Once the pre-service  
music begins, please refrain from talking.

*Processional*

*“Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful”*

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**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,  
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.**

**God from true God, and Light from Light eternal,  
Born of a virgin, to earth he comes,  
Only begotten Son of God the Father.  
Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him,  
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.**

**Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation;  
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above.  
Glory to God, All glory in the highest.  
Oh, come, let us adore him, Oh, come, let us adore him,  
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.**

*Responsive Reading:*

P: Let us join our hearts and voices together this night, for we truly have a reason to celebrate.

C: We light a thousand candles bright around the earth today,  
And all the beams will shine across the heav'ns grand display.

P: We have a reason to celebrate because Jesus, our Christmas Light, shines much brighter than all the lights of this world.

C: Dear bright Star of Bethlehem, O let your precious light,  
Shine on with hope and peace toward men in every home tonight.

P: We have a reason to celebrate because Jesus, our Christmas Gift, is much better than the gifts that man could ever hope to give.

C: Now let us all with gladsome cheer go with the shepherds and draw near  
To see the precious Gift of God who has His own dear Son bestowed.

P: We have a reason to celebrate because the Christmas Joy we find in the manger,  
will last forever.

C: Yes, over land and sea tonight the joy-filled message brings  
The birth of Him, our Lord and Christ, our Savior and our King!

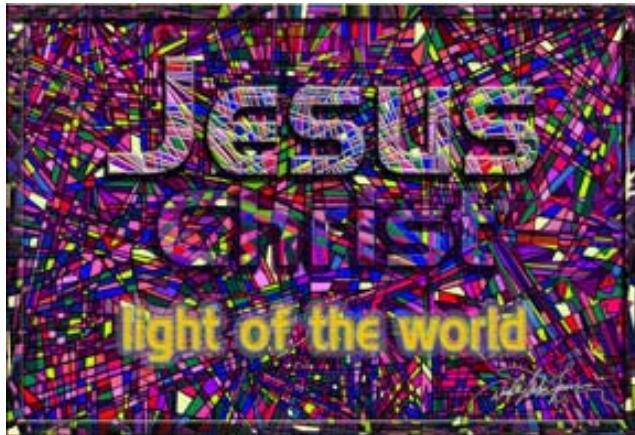
*Christmas Prayer*

*Recitations - Grades 6-8*

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Part One - Our Christmas Light Shines Much Brighter



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Part Two -  
Our Christmas Gift  
Is Much Better

*Recitations Grades 1-8*

*Song by Children and Sr. Choir*

*Recitations Grades 1-8*

*Congregational Song*

**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.**

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*Song by Children - "Away In a Manger"*

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*Recitation - Grades 3-8*

*Congregational Song*

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**The first Noel the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.**

*Recitation - Grades 3-8*



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*"O Little Town of Bethlehem"*  
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