



The Worship of God

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Instrumental PreludeJoseph Fuller, Pianist

*But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.
~ Micah 5:2*

Invitation to Worship & WelcomeChristian Johns, Minister of Youth

Songs of Joy

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us;
Shine on me. Shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory:
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story;
Shine on me. Shine on me.

Chorus

As With Gladness Men of Old

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious God, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
Savior, to thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before
Christ whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet,
Ever seek the mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
At thy cradle rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

Pastoral PrayerDr. Brian Brewer, Interim Pastor

Carol of Hope

We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star.

Chorus:

Oh, star of wonder, star of light,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

Chorus

Frankincense to offer have I;
Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, voices raising,
Worship Him, God on high.

Chorus

Myrrh is mine, it's bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Chorus

Glorious now behold Him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Sounds through the earth and skies.

Chorus

Sermon Dr. Brewer

Bethlehem

Micah 5:2-5a; Matthew 2:1-8

Closing Song

Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us;
His name is called Emmanuel.

Benediction Dr. Brewer