

Welcome 8BH 181 / TH 125 "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come" - Kelly Smith

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
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And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ.
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. 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.

4. 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, and wonders of His love.

Advent Reading -----James and Kelly Smith

Reader 1: In a letter to some of the first Christians, the Apostle Paul writes: "Your love must be real. Hate what is evil, and hold on to what is good. Love each other like brothers and sisters. Give each other more honor than you want for yourselves. Do not be lazy but work hard, serving the Lord with all your heart. Be joyful because you have hope. Be patient when trouble comes, and pray at all times."

Reader 2: Today we light the candle of Joy. In the middle of all the holiday craziness, when we're trying to clean house before company comes, or worrying about how we're going to pay for everything we maybe shouldn't have bought, sometimes we lose our joy. When we look at these candles, and the light they give, picture the pure joy we see when a baby smiles, with no fear for the future. That's the gift God wants to give us. Love, and hope, and joy, as we wait for Jesus to return.

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "Joy in Bethlehem!" Medley

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "Children Go Where I Send Thee"

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "Bethlehem Manger" Medley

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "Come, Let Us Worship"

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "Bethlehem Morning"

Choral Message -----Worship Choir & Orchestra "The Reason for Joy!" Finale (stanzas 1 & 4 on PP)
Sing these verses with us...

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Offertory Prayer -----Andy Anderson, DOW

Offertory-----Worship Orchestra "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Message -----Dr. Dollar "Peace on Earth" ([Luke 2:13-20](#))

- I. Peace is Possible -----(vv. 13-14)
- II. Peace was Discovered in Bethlehem ---(vv. 15-18)
- III. Peace is Available Today -----(vv. 19-20)

Invitation 8BH 207 / TH 154 "What Can I Give Him?"

Verse 1

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man
I would do my part;
Yet what can I give Him?
Give Him my heart.

Verse 2

What can I give Him,
my infant King?
Compared to the wise men,
what gift can I bring?
But if God made the shepherds
the first ones to know,
Surely my lowly heart
is welcome to go.

Verse 3

What can I give Him,
Small as I am,
When I have not treasure,
or even a lamb?
I will give Him the one gift
no other can bring
I place my heart at
the feet of my King.

Announcements -- David Hall

Benediction ----- David Hall



Beginning at 6:30 pm
Sunday Evening Worship Service
Will incorporate the Blessing Tree

You will want to bring an ornament from you or your family to place on the Blessing Tree that will be located in the Worship Center. Prepare to share about a blessing that God has given you this past year.

[Dr. Stephen Dollar](#) [David Hall](#)
Senior Pastor Education/Senior Adults

[Dr. Dale Prudhome](#)
Music/Drama

[Mike Wood](#)
Young Adults

[Justin Marcantel](#)
Students