



ANAHEIM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 24, 2020

**INTROIT**

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

**LIGHT ONE CANDLE**

*Please light a candle in your home at the same time the candle in the sanctuary is lit.*

***May this candle be an invitation for Christ's light to enter our hearts this night.***

***For Christ's light to enter our homes this night. For Christ's light to enter our world this night. Amen.***

**HYMN NO.41 (vs. 1 & 3)**

*Oh Come All Ye Faithful*

*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 exultation,*

*Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;*

*Glory to God, all glory in the highest; [Refrain]*

**OPENING PRAYER**

**THE ANGEL VISITS MARY**

Luke 1:26-33

Carolee Ramich, Reader

**ANTHEM**

*O Magnum Mysterium*

Morten Lauridsen

**JESUS IS BORN**

Luke 2:1-7

John Moses, Reader

**HYMN NO.44 (vs. 1 & 2)**    *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

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.

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts, the blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming, But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him still, the dear Christ enters in.

**THE ANGEL'S SONG**

Luke 2:8-20

Dale Ramont, Reader

**ANTHEM**

*The Shepherd's Carol*

William Billings

**SERMON**

"Light for Deepest Darkness"

**HYMN NO.40 (v. 1, 2, 4)**

*Joy To the World*

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart, prepare Him room, and heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

*Joy to the world! 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.*

*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.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**HYMN NO.60 (V. 1, 2, 4)**

*Silent Night, Holy Night*

*Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright.  
Round yon virgin mother and child,  
Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight.  
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing,  
"Alleluia"; Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!*

*Silent night, holy night, Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing, alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice*

J.S. Bach