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**A Christmas Eve Service of  
Nine Lessons and Carols**

December 24, 2025

# 343 Once in Royal David's City

CW 343 sts. 1-3

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly  
 2 He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and  
 3 And our eyes at last shall see him through his own re -

cat - tle shed, where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a  
 Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his  
 deem - ing love, for that child, so dear and gen - tle, is our

man - ger for his bed: Mar - y was that moth - er  
 cra - dle was a stall; with the poor and mean and  
 Lord in heav'n a - bove, and he leads his chil - dren

mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
 low - ly lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
 on to the place where he is gone.

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## Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## Bidding Prayer

Beloved in Christ: It is our delight this Christmas season to rejoice in the good news of Jesus' birth. Let us hear the story recorded throughout sacred Scripture concerning how our loving God planned to save us from our sins. But first, let us pray:

Heavenly Father, we pray for ourselves and all people who worship you and your Son this holy night. By your holy Word, lead us to say with the angels,

**Glory to God in the highest!**

We pray for your blessing on the people of our city, our province, our nation, and our world.

**O Lord, have mercy!**

We pray for the poor and helpless, the cold and hungry, the sick and sad, that you would give them the joy of your salvation and the comfort of your presence.

**O Christ, have mercy!**

We pray for unbelievers and enemies of the Church, that through your Law and Gospel you would lead them to recognize your Son as their only hope for eternal life.

**O Lord, Have mercy!**

Finally, we remember before you all those who rejoice with us in heaven, who live in greater light and beauty than we, that multitude which no one can number, who died in faith, and now praise you in your heavenly temple. We confess that we are united with them and with one another.

**Glory to God in the highest!**

We humbly offer up these prayers and praises in the words that Christ himself taught us:

**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

# Angels We Heard on High

CW 346



1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,  
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?  
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;



and the moun - tains in re - ply, ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
What the glad - some ti - dings be which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?  
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.



Glo - - - - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o; glo - - -



- - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - - o.

Text: French; tr. The Crown of Jesus, Part 2, 1862, alt. Tune: French. Text and tune: Public domain

## Penitential Devotion

Isaiah 59:15b-16

The LORD looked and saw something evil—there was no justice. <sup>16</sup>He saw that there was no one. He was appalled that there was no one who could intervene. So his own arm worked salvation for him, and his own righteousness supported him.

## **Confession and Absolution**

God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserved your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true light. Grant that as we have known on earth the wonder of that light, we may also behold him in all his glory in the life to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## To Shepherds as They Watched by Night CW 335 sts. 1-3



1 To shep - herds as they watched by night ap - peared a  
2 "At Beth - le - hem, in Da - vid's town, as Mi - cah  
3 O then re - joice that through his Son God is with



host of an - gels bright; "Be - hold the ten - der  
did of old make known. It is the Christ, your  
sin - ners now at one; made like your - selves of



babe," they said, "in yon - der low - ly man - ger laid,  
Lord and King, who will to all sal - va - tion bring."  
flesh and blood, your broth - er is th'e - ter - nal God.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-1887, alt. Tune: Latin, 15th cent., adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621  
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### First Lesson

Genesis 3:8-19

*The consequences of sin and first promise of a Saviour.*

<sup>8</sup>They heard the voice of the LORD God, who was walking around in the garden during the cooler part of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

<sup>10</sup>The man said, "I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself."

<sup>11</sup>God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree from which I commanded you not to eat?"

<sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman you gave to be with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

<sup>13</sup>The LORD God said to the woman, "What have you done?"

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent:

Because you have done this,  
you are cursed more than all the livestock,  
and more than every wild animal.

You shall crawl on your belly,  
and you shall eat dust all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put hostility between you and the woman,  
and between your seed and her seed.

He will crush your head,  
and you will crush his heel.

<sup>16</sup>To the woman he said:

I will greatly increase your pain in childbearing.  
With painful labor you will give birth to children.  
Your desire will be for your husband,  
but he will rule over you.

<sup>17</sup>To Adam he said:

Because you listened to your wife's voice  
and ate from the tree about which I commanded you,  
“You shall not eat from it,”  
the soil is cursed on account of you.  
You will eat from it with painful labor all the days of  
your life.

<sup>18</sup>Thorns and thistles will spring up from the ground for  
you,  
but you will eat the crops of the field.

<sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you will eat bread  
until you return to the soil,  
for out of it you were taken.  
For you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

# 356 God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

CW 356 sts. 1-3



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may;  
 2 From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came  
 3 "Fear not," then said the an - gel, "let noth - ing you af - fright;



re - mem - ber Christ, our Sav - ior, was born on Christ - mas Day  
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought ti - dings of the same,  
 this day is born a Sav - ior, the true and ra - dian t light,



to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray.  
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.  
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's pow'r and might."

## Refrain



O ti - dings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy,



O ti - dings of com - fort and joy.

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## Second Lesson

Genesis 22:15-18

*God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.*

<sup>15</sup>The Angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven <sup>16</sup>and said, "I have sworn by myself, declares the LORD, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup>I will bless you greatly, and I will multiply your descendants greatly, like the stars of the sky and like the sand on the seashore.

Your descendants will take possession of the city gates of their enemies. <sup>18</sup>In your seed all the nations of the earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

### 338 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

CW 338



1 On Christ-mas night all Chris-tians sing to hear the news the  
2 When sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then life and health come  
3 All out of dark - ness we have light, which made the an - gels



an - gels bring, on Christ-mas night all Chris - tians sing to  
in its place, when sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then  
sing this night, all out of dark - ness we have light, which



hear the news the an - gels bring, news of great joy, news  
life and health come in its place; an - gels and saints with  
made the an - gels sing this night: “Glo - ry to God and



of great mirth, news of our mer - ci - ful King's birth.  
joy may sing, all for to see the new - born King.  
peace to men now and for - ev - er - more. A - men.”

### **Third Lesson**

*Isaiah 9:2, 6, 7*

*The prophet Isaiah ascribes divine names and authority to the coming of the Saviour.*

<sup>2</sup>The people walking in darkness have seen a great light. For those living in the land of the shadow of death, the light has dawned.

<sup>6</sup>For to us a child is born. To us a son is given.  
The authority to rule will rest on his shoulders.  
He will be named:

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup>There will be no limit to his authority  
and no end to the peace he brings.

He will rule on David's throne and over his kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it with justice and  
righteousness from now on, into eternity.

The zeal of the LORD of Armies will accomplish this.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

# 362 Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising

CW 362 sts. 2-4, 6



2 Christ, from heav'n to us de - scend - ing and in  
3 Ja - cob's Star in all its splen - dor beams with  
4 From the bond - age that op - pressed us, from sin's  
6 Gra - cious Child, in mer - cy hear us, from your



love our race be - friend - ing, in our need his  
com - fort sweet and ten - der, forc - ing Sa - tan  
fet - ters that pos - sessed us, from the grief that  
low - ly man - ger cheer us, gent - ly lead us



help ex - tend - ing, saved us from the wi - ly foe.  
to sur - ren - der, break - ing all the pow'rs of hell.  
sore dis - tressed us, we, the cap - tives, now are free.  
and be near us till we join th' an - gel - ic choir.

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## Fourth Lesson

Micah 5:2-4

*Micah prophesies that the Messiah will come from Bethlehem.*

<sup>2</sup>But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, from you will go out the one who will be the ruler for me in Israel. His goings forth are from the beginning, from the days of eternity. <sup>3</sup>Therefore the LORD will give them up, until the time when the woman who is in labor bears a child. Then the remaining survivors from his brothers will return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup>He will stand and shepherd with the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. They will dwell securely, for at that time he will be great to the ends of the earth.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## 333 O Little Town of Bethlehem

CW 333 sts. 1, 3-4



1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!  
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n!  
4 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;  
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n.  
cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.



yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing light.  
No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad ti - dings tell;



The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.  
O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Im - man - u - el!

## **Fifth Lesson**

Luke 1:26–35, 38

*The angel Gabriel announces to Mary that she will give birth to God's Son.*

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee named Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin pledged in marriage to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women."

<sup>29</sup>But she was greatly troubled by the statement and was wondering what kind of greeting this could be. <sup>30</sup>The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, because you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>Listen, you will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David. <sup>33</sup>He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will never end."

<sup>34</sup>Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

<sup>35</sup>The angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

<sup>38</sup>Then Mary said, "See, I am the Lord's servant. May it happen to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

# 344 What Child Is This

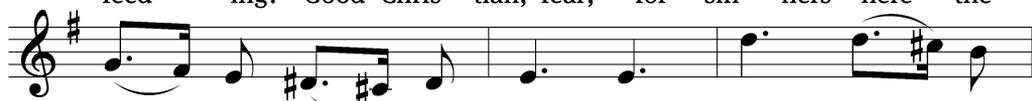
CW 344 sts. 1-2



1 What child is this who, laid to rest, on Mar - y's lap is  
 2 Why lies he in such mean es - tate where ox - en now are



sleep - ing, whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet while  
 feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here the



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
 si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall



Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
 pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you;



haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mar - y!  
 hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y!

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt. Tune: English, 16th cent. Text and tune: Public domain

## Sixth Lesson

Luke 2:1-7

### *The Birth of our Saviour*

<sup>1</sup>In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governing Syria. <sup>3</sup>And everyone went to register, each to his own town. <sup>4</sup>And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the town of Nazareth, into Judea, to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was from the house and family line of David. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, his wife, who was pledged to him in marriage and was expecting a child.

<sup>6</sup>And so it was that while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son, wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

### **337 Silent Night, Holy Night**

CW 337 sts. 2-3, G1

*(The hymn will be sung by candlelight.  
The first verse will be sung as a solo in German)*

**1** Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!  
Alles schläft, einsam wacht  
nur das traute, hochheilige Paar.  
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,  
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh,  
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh

**2 Silent night, holy night!**  
**Shepherds quake at the sight.**  
**Glories stream from heaven afar,**  
**heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia!**  
**Christ, the Savior, is born!**  
**Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**3 Silent night, holy night!**  
**Son of God, love's pure light**  
**radiant beams from thy holy face**  
**with the dawn of redeeming grace,**  
**Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,**  
**Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.**

## Seventh Lesson

Luke 2:8–20

### *The announcement to the shepherds.*

<sup>8</sup>There were in the same country shepherds staying out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock at night. <sup>9</sup>An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified! <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. For behold, I bring you good news of great joy, which will be for all people: <sup>11</sup>Today in the town of David, a Savior was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup>Suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude from the heavenly army, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward mankind.”

<sup>15</sup>When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Now let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” <sup>16</sup>So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they had seen him, they told others the message they had been told about this child. <sup>18</sup>And all who heard it were amazed by what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

# 361 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

CW 361

*Refrain*



Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills, and ev - 'ry - where;



go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.



1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,

2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when lo, a - bove the earth

3 Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum-ble Christ was born,



be-hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.  
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

Text: African American spiritual, refrain; John W. Work II, 1873–1925, verses, alt.  
Tune: African American spiritual. Text and tune: Public domain

## Eighth Lesson

Matthew 2:1–12

### *The Magi worship Jesus*

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, when Herod was king, Wise Men from the east came to Jerusalem. They asked, <sup>2</sup>“Where is he who has been born King of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” <sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was alarmed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup>He gathered together all the people's chief priests and experts in the law. He asked them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, because this was written through the prophet:

<sup>6</sup>You, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are certainly not least among the rulers of Judah: because out of you will come a ruler, who will shepherd my people, Israel.”

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod secretly summoned the Wise Men and found out from them exactly when the star had appeared.

<sup>8</sup>He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. When you find him, report to me, so that I may also go and worship him.”

<sup>9</sup>After listening to the king, they went on their way. Then the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them, until it stood still over the place where the child was.

<sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced with overwhelming joy. <sup>11</sup>After they went into the house and saw the child with Mary, his mother, they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>Since they had been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they went back to their own country by another route.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

### 372 As with Gladness Men of Old

CW 372 sts. 1-2, 4



1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be-hold,  
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to thy low-ly bed,  
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-'ry day keep us in the nar-row way;



as with joy they hailed its light, lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright,  
there to bend the knee be-fore thee, whom heav'n and earth a-dore,  
and, when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last



so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev-er-more be led by thee.  
so may we with will-ing feet ev-er seek thy mer-cy seat.  
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo-ry hide.

## **Ninth Lesson**

1 John 4:9–14

*Jesus' birth proves God's loves you.*

<sup>9</sup>This is how God's love for us was revealed: God has sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we may live through him. <sup>10</sup>This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup>Dear friends, if God loved us so much, we also should love one another.

<sup>12</sup>No one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God remains in us and his love has been brought to its goal in us. <sup>13</sup>This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. <sup>14</sup>We have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

# 350 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

CW 350



1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;  
2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
3 Hail, the heav'n - ly Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness!



peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.  
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;  
Veiled in flesh the God - head see, hail th' in - car - nate De - i - ty!  
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die,



with th' an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
Pleased as man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Im - man - u - el!  
born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King!"

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Tune: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847. Text and tune: Public domain

## Final Prayer

Oh gracious and almighty Father, we praise you that you kept your ancient promises by sending your everlasting Son in human flesh.

**On this holy night, receive our thanks and devotion, our songs and prayers.**

You sent Jesus as a lowly child to demonstrate your concern for all, the weak and lonely, the troubled and frightened, the timid and helpless. No one is overlooked by your ever-seeking eyes. No one is excluded from your upholding arms. No one is denied the comfort and help of your outstretched hand.

**Bless us with a childlike faith in the divine assurance that you love and care for us always.**

You sent Jesus as the Saviour of the world to deliver all from the curse of sin, the power of death, and the torment of hell. He took our place. He was born under the law to set us free. He became the innocent lamb of sacrifice. He came to die and rise again in order that we might live eternally. Firmly implant this good news in our hearts, and fill us with an eager desire to spread the Word concerning what we have heard tonight.

**May all who hear the message, in every nation under heaven, be amazed and believe what is told them about the child.**

You sent Jesus as the Light of the world to drive out all darkness that would rob us of the full life that you intend for us. May the “joy that will be for all people” be our joy. May the “peace on earth to all on whom his favor rests” be our peace. May the treasure that Mary pondered in her heart be our treasure.

**For today in the town of David, a Saviour has been born to us. He is Christ, the Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

Revelation 22:20-21

Jesus says: ““Yes, I am coming soon.”

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with all the saints.

**Amen.**

### 353 Joy to the World

CW 353



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -  
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their  
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow nor thorns in -  
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the



ceive her King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him  
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings  
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous -



room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture  
plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

## **Acknowledgments**

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols from Christian Worship

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# Announcements

## **Church Cleaners**

December 28 – John / January 4 - Simon

### DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

We (24) 10:30 am Lessons and Carols @ Divine Word  
3:00 pm Lessons and Carols in Poltimore  
7:00 pm Lessons and Carols @ Divine Word

Th (25) 11:00 am Christmas Day Service

**Su (28) 10:30 am Worship**  
11:30 am Coffee hour

Th (1) 10:30 am Longfields Manor Devotion

**Su (4) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study**  
**10:30 am Worship with Communion**  
11:45 am First Fellowship  
**3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore**  
4:00 pm Bible Class (Poltimore)

We (7) 10:30 am Communicating Christ  
5:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)  
7:00 pm Communicating Christ

Fr (9) 10:30 am Friday Fellowship

**Su (11) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Study**  
**10:30 am Worship**  
11:45 am Coffee Hour



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