

Prelude

Opening Song: "Joy Has Dawned"

Welcome

Advent Candle Lighting & Reading: Luke 1:26-35, 38

*"Unspeakable Joy"

*God Greet Us & We Greet One Another

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*"O Come, O Come, Immanuel" vs. 1-2

Community Connections

Offering: Mission Faith Promise and Benevolence

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25 (pg. 933)

Message: *Beholding (God with Us)*

*Song of Response: "Love Divine All Loves Excelling" vs. 1, 3, 4

Congregational Prayer

Service of Communion

Passing of the Bread: "Away in a Manger" (Forever Amen)

Passing of the Juice: "What Love, My God"

*Parting Blessing

*"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" with "King of Heaven"

Postlude

**Please stand, if able*

Prelude

Gathered

Welcome

*Call to Worship: John 1:1-5

*God's Greeting

*Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #460 vs. 1, 3, 4

*Statement of Faith: Nicene Creed

*Hymn: "Silent Night, Holy Night" #344 vs. 1, 2, 4

Congregational Prayer

Word

*Song of Preparation: "Joy to the World" #337 vs. 1-3

Scripture: Habakkuk 3:16-18 (pg. 911)

Sermon: *Joy & Sorrow Held Together*

Response

*Song of Response:

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" #351 all 3 vs.

*Benediction

*Closing Chorus: "Joy to the World" #337 vs. 4

Postlude

The offering baskets will not be passed during the evening service. You may place your offering in one of the baskets in the fellowship hall as you enter or exit.

**Please stand, if able*

Beholding
Matthew 1:18-25

“Behold!”

Behold _____

“You are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” -Matthew 1:21

Condition – a _____ that _____

Contagion – an _____ that _____

Decision – a _____ for which we are _____

Behold _____

“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, “God with us.” -Matthew 1:23 (Isaiah 7:14)

Behold the _____ of _____

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” -John 1:29 (ESV)

Jesus _____ us from the _____ of sin.

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(Glenn Packiam)

Behold _____

And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.” -Luke 2:10 (ESV)

“Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him ...” -Revelation 1:7 (ESV)

Behold ____ Lamb ____ Immanuel ____ Sin ____ Condition ____



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