CAROL

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold.

"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men," from heaven's all gracious King.

The world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

All ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low,

Who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow, Look now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing.

O rest beside the weary road, and hear the angels sing.

For lo! The days are hastening on, by prophet bards foretold, When with the ever circling years comes round the age of gold.

When peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling,

And the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Aho

POSTLUDE

arr., G. Young

"Postlude on Adeste Fideles"

ADVENT ~ CHRISTMAS 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20, 2020
10:00 AM ~ Worship Service
3:00 PM ~ Video Service of Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve Service December 24, 2020 3:00 PM ~ Video Release

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REVEREND CHRISTOPHER AHO ~ PASTOR MRS. CINDY JOY ~ MINISTER OF MUSIC/YOUTH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 20, 2020 10:00 AM

O my soul, magnify the Lord. God is worthy to be praised.

PRELUDE

arr., D. Phillips

"Christmas Praise"

Cindy Joy and Haven Parrott

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Frankie Marks

God looks kindly on us when we are at our lowest.

Rejoice in God our Savior.

God has done great things for us in times past.

God will do great things for us in days to come.

Rejoice in God our Savior.

Christ's mercy is upon us, offering hope in times of despair.

Rejoice in God our Savior.

Christ's love has made us whole.

Rejoice in God our Savior.

CAROL

ADESTE FIDELES

"O 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,

O sing, all ye bright hosts of heaven above.

Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Refrain

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning.

Jesus, to Thee be all glory given.

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

Refrain

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Rev. Aho

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF LOVE

On this final Sunday of Advent we light the Candle of Love. Its light reminds us of the steadfast love God has for us. Jesus shows God's perfect love. He is God's love in human form. The Bible says that ~

"God so loved the world that He gave his only Son, so that Whoever believes in Him will not perish, but will have everlasting life."

We light this candle to remind us that God's perfect love is found in Jesus.

RESPONSE

McGEE

"Emmanuel"

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

GOSPEL READING

Mrs. Marks, Mrs. Perkins Mr. Cottrell, Rev. Aho

Luke 1:26-55

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Aho

MUSIC MEDITATION

arr., L. Larson

"Mary, Did You Know?"

Donna Perkins and Tim Cottrell

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would someday walk on water?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would save our sons and daughters?

Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you new?

This child that you delivered, will soon deliver you.

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will give sight to a blind man? Mary, did you know that your baby boy will calm a storm with his hand? Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod? And when you kissed your little baby, you kissed the face of God?

The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again! The lame will leap, the dumb will speak the praises of the Lamb!

Mary, did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will one day rule the nation?

Did you know that your baby boy was heaven's perfect Lamb?

This sleeping Child you're holding is the great I AM!

Mary, did you know this is the Son of God?

MESSAGE

Rev. Aho

"Promises Delivered"