

# ORDER FOR STREAMING WORSHIP

January 10, 2021

Gathering Music "The First Noel"

The first Noel the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,  
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

They lookèd up and saw a star  
shining in the east, beyond them far;  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night. [Refrain]

And by the light of that same star  
three Wise Men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent,  
and to follow the star wherever it went. [Refrain]

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Prelude

Responsive Reading Psalm 72:1-14, 18-20

One: God, we are grateful that our True King  
has a heart for your justice, a will to do good.

**All: His judgments are always righteous and just;  
they support the needs of the poor.**

One: In His grace, all the people prosper;  
the land yields rich harvests for the whole world.

**All: Our True King defends the cause of the poor;  
delivers the needy, stops those who oppress.**

One: May He live while the sun and the moon endure,  
throughout all generations.

**All: May He be like the rain that falls on mown grass,  
like the showers that water the earth.**

One: When He comes, all goodness will flourish;  
and peace will abound, till the moon is no more.

**All: He will have dominion from sea to sea,  
from here to the ends of the earth.**

One: His foes will bow down before him,

and his enemies will prostrate themselves.

**All: Kings of earth will bring tribute from faraway lands  
rich gifts from the ends of the earth.**

One: Kings of earth will fall down before our True King,  
all the nations will render Him service.

**All: Our True King delivers the needy when they call,  
the poor and those who have no helper.**

One: Our True King has pity on the weak and the needy,  
and saves the lives of the poor.

**All: From oppression and violence He saves his own,  
for precious is their blood in His sight.**

One: Blessed be our True King, blessed be our God,  
who alone does these wonderful things!

**All: Blessed be our True King, blessed be our God,  
Whose glorious name shines to all generations  
forever throughout the whole earth! Amen and Amen.**

Response        “Joy to the World”

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;  
let ev'ry heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, 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.

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.

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.

Lifting up our Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Dedicating our Gifts  
Doxology and Offering prayer

## Second Reading

### Hymn "The First Noel"

This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
and there it did both stop and stay,  
right over the place where Jesus lay. [Refrain]

Then entered in those Wise Men three,  
full reverently upon the knee,  
and offered there, in his presence,  
their gold and myrrh and frankincense. [Refrain]

## Sermon

## Benediction

### Response "O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful"

O thou joyful, O thou wonderful  
Grace revealing Christmastide!  
Jesus came to win us  
From all sin within us:  
Glorify the holy Child!

O thou joyful, O thou wonderful  
Love revealing Christmastide!  
Loud hosannas singing  
And all praises bringing:  
Glorify the holy Child!

O thou joyful, O thou wonderful  
Peace revealing Christmastide!  
Darkness disappearing,  
God's own light now nearing:  
Glorify the holy Child!

## Postlude