

## The Lord's Supper

### Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new-born King;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild;  
God and sinners reconciled."  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic hosts proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new-born King"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord:  
Late in time behold Him come,  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,  
Hail th' incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus our Immanuel  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new-born King"

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Ris'n with healing in His wings:  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth;  
Born to give them second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new-born King"

Come, Desire of nations, come!  
Fix in us Thy humble home:  
Rise, the woman's conqu'ring seed,  
Bruise in us the serpent's head;  
Adam's likeness now efface,  
Stamp Thine image in its place:  
Final Adam from above,  
Reinstate us in Thy love.  
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"Glory to the new-born King"

## Benediction

### CONNECT CARD

We're glad you are here. It is our joy to welcome and love those who need grace just like we do. Please scan the QR code to fill out our Connect Card. This helps us keep you in the loop and serve you better.



### GIVING



We give so that we can offer the hope and rest found in Jesus to those around us. Thank you for joining with us and investing in this important work! You can scan the code to give online anytime or drop a donation in the box on our Welcome Table.

Monthly Budget Goal: \$15,000

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## 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!

*O come, let us adore Him;*  
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*O come, let us adore Him,*  
*Christ, the Lord!*

God of God, Light of Light,  
lo, He abhors not  
the virgin's womb;  
very God, begotten not created;

Sing, choirs of angels;  
sing in exultation;  
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
Born this happy morning'  
Jesus, to thee be glory given!  
Word of the father now in flesh  
appearing.

## Prayer of Confession

O God the Father of heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us. Be merciful to us and spare us, O Lord. Be merciful to us and deliver us, O Lord. From all sin, from all error, from all evil—deliver us, O Lord. From the wiles of the devil and from everlasting death— deliver us, O Lord. Lord Jesus, by the mystery of your holy incarnation, by your holy nativity, by your baptism, fasting, and temptations—deliver us, O Lord. By your agony and bloody sweat, by your cross and passions, by your death and burial, by your resurrection and ascension, by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter— deliver us, O Lord. Amen.

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Immanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, O Wisdom from on high,  
who ordered all things mightily;  
to us the path of knowledge show  
and teach us in its ways to go.

O come, O come, great Lord of might,  
who to your tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times did give the law  
in cloud and majesty and awe.

O come, O Branch of Jesse's stem,  
unto your own and rescue them!  
From depths of hell your people save,  
and give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, O Key of David, come  
and open wide our heavenly home.  
Make safe for us the heavenward road  
and bar the way to death's abode.

O come, O Bright and Morning Star,  
and bring us comfort from afar!  
Dispel the shadows of the night  
and turn our darkness into light

O come, O King of nations, bind  
in one the hearts of all mankind.  
Bid all our sad divisions cease  
and be yourself our King of Peace.

## Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come Thou long expected Jesus  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us  
Let us find our rest in Thee  
Israel's strength and consolation  
Hope of all the earth Thou art  
Dear Desire of every nation  
Joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee  
Dayspring from on high appear;  
Come thou promised rod of Jesse  
Of Thy birth we long to hear  
O'er the hills the angels singing  
News glad tiding of a birth  
Go to Him your praises bringing  
Christ the Lord has come to earth.

Come to earth to taste our sadness  
He who glories knew no end;  
By His life He brings us gladness  
Our Redeemer, Shepherd, friend  
Leaving riches without number  
Born within a cattle stall  
This the everlasting wonder  
Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born thy people to deliver  
Born a child, and yet a King;  
Born to reign in us forever  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring  
By thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all-sufficient merit  
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

## Sermon

### The Definition of Calcedon

We, then, following the holy Fathers, all with one consent, teach men to confess one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: the same perfect in deity and also perfect in humanity; truly God and truly man, of a rational soul and body; consubstantial with the Father concerning His divine nature, and consubstantial with us according to His human nature; in all things like unto us, but without sin; begotten before all ages of the Father concerning His divine nature, and in these latter days, for us and for our salvation, born of the Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, concerning His human nature; One and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only begotten, to be acknowledged in two natures, unconfusedly, unchangeably, indivisibly, inseparably; the distinction of natures being by no means taken away by the union, but rather the property of each nature being preserved, and concurring in one Person and one Subsistence, not parted or divided into two persons, but one and the same Son, and only begotten, God the Word, the Lord Jesus Christ; As the prophets from the beginning have declared concerning Him, and the Lord Jesus Christ Himself has taught us, and the Creed of the holy Fathers has handed down to us.

### Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly minded,  
for, with blessing in His hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
in the body and the blood.  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
cherubim with sleepless eye,  
veil their faces to the Presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
"Alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia, Lord Most High!"