

Christmas Playlist (Week 4) (Advent 2023)

Title: O Come All Ye Faithful

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:4-20

Discussion Questions

1. Today is the fourth Sunday of Advent. This Advent season we are going through a sermon series called “Christmas Playlist.” Music has this special way of tying into our memories and reminding us of special times. What are your favorite Christmas songs? Do you have any special memories tied to these songs?
2. Today we will be focusing on the Christmas Hymn “O Come All Ye Faithful.” Take a little time to look up this song and listen to it. What words or verses stand out to you as you listen? Do you have any memories tied to this song?
3. “O Come All Ye Faithful” is a Christmas song referencing the role of the shepherds in Luke chapter two. The night when Jesus was born the only other people awake were shepherds watching their flocks on the nearby hillsides. After being summoned by Angels, they came into town, saw the newborn Jesus, and returned sharing the good news of what God had done. What do you know about shepherds in the first-century world? What would make them such unlikely candidates to come witness the birth of a newborn king?
4. In “O Come All Ye Faithful,” the charge to come see what God has done is shifted from the shepherds to all of us. We are called to come and encounter this newborn King, Messiah, and Savior. How will you make time this Christmas season to encounter Jesus? What activities could you intentionally take part in that would help you come to encounter Jesus this Christmas season?