

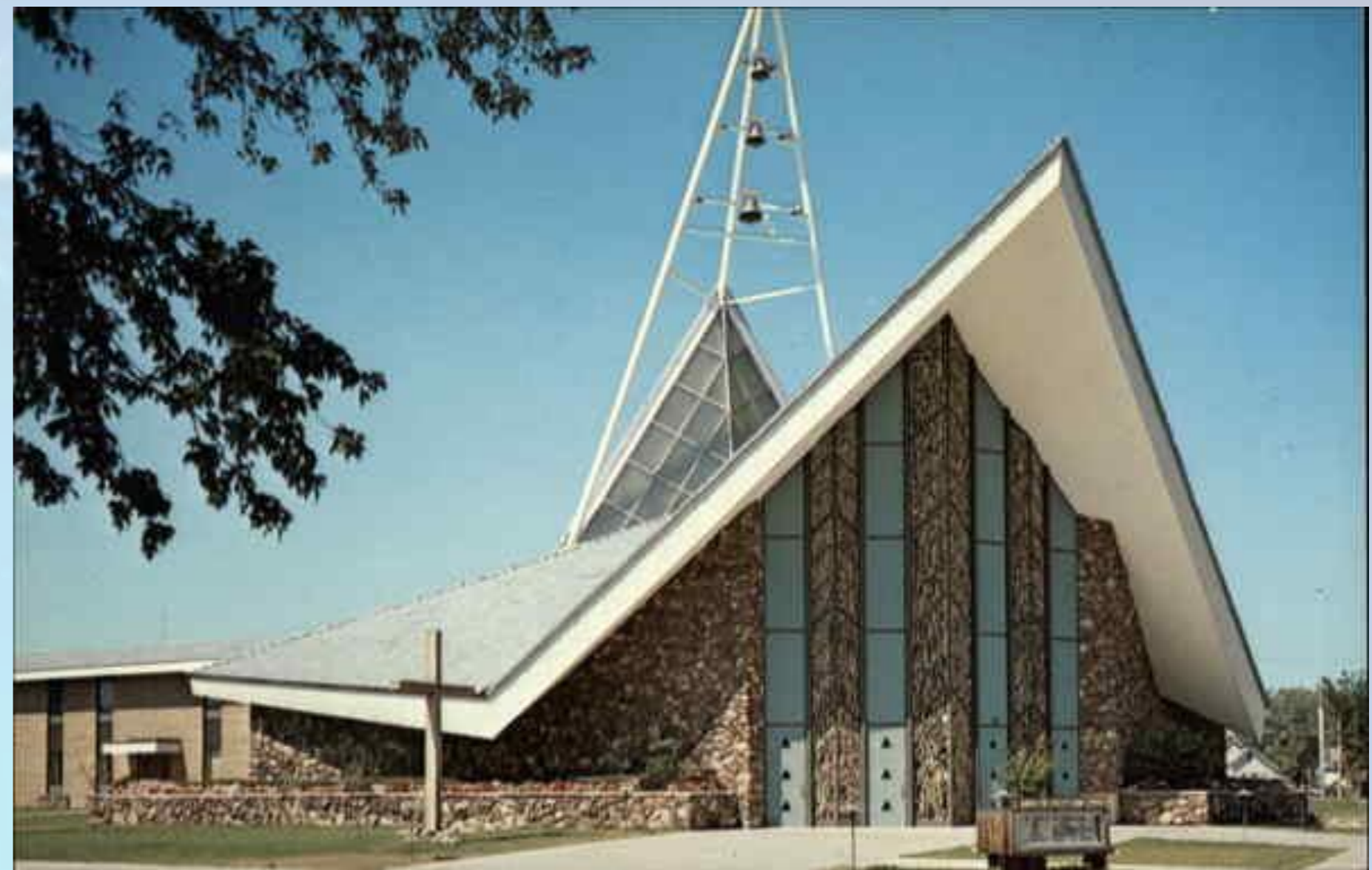
Power point for
Christmas Eve
December 24, 2024
Special Christmas with communion
2:00 pm

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St. Martin Lutheran Church & School

**OUR MISSION:
PREACHING, TEACHING AND
REACHING WITH GOD'S WORD!**

Liturgy – Special Christmas



St. Martin Lutheran Church and School are people who have gathered together under the cross of Jesus Christ to glorify His Name and extend His Kingdom. We seek to accomplish our mission by offering: Worship, Christian Day School, Bible Study, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Pre-School, Early Childhood Center, Music Programs, Youth Programs, Recreation, and Much More!!!

Preservice Music by ~

***Bethany Exworthy, Kayla Klemp,
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As We Gather

“All is calm, all is bright.” Is it really? We sing those words from the hymn “Silent Night, Holy Night” every Christmas Eve. Yet the world in which we live is in so many ways neither calm nor bright. “Glory to God in the highest,” sings the multitude of angels to the shepherds, “and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased” (Luke 2:14). We join the angel chorus and sing of the peace found only in Jesus.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Liturgy — Special Christmas

377 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

**1 On Christmas night all Christians
sing**

To hear the news the angels bring,

**On Christmas night all Christians
sing**

To hear the news the angels bring,

**News of great joy, news of great
mirth,**

News of our merciful King's birth.

377 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

**2 Then why should men on earth be so
sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad,
Then why should men on earth be so
sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad,
When from our sin He set us free,
All for to gain our liberty?**

377 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

**3 When sin departs before His grace,
Then life and health come in its
place,**

**When sin departs before His grace,
Then life and health come in its
place;**

**Angels and men with joy may sing,
All for to see the newborn King.**

377 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

**4 All out of darkness we have light,
Which made the angels sing this
night,**

**All out of darkness we have light,
Which made the angels sing this
night:**

**“Glory to God and peace to men
Now and forevermore. Amen.”**

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**



Opening Sentences

P The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

C **those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.**

P You are my lamp, O LORD,

C **and my God lightens my darkness.**

Confession and Absolution

P The apostle Paul reminds us, “You know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.” In order to hear again the beautiful Good News (continued)

Confession and Absolution

- P** of how the Savior of the world came to save us all, let us confess our need to hear, to repent of our sin and to believe.
- C** **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, I confess to You once again this night that I have walked in the darkness of sin, that I have sinned in the shadows of my conscience, (continued)**

Confession and Absolution

☐ and in words and actions toward others; all of it in disobedience to Your commands. I pray You to send forth the light and truth of Your Son, my Savior. Have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

Confession and Absolution

P The Lord sends out His light and His truth to find you and to save you. Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit ~ Psalm 2

C **When all was still, and it was midnight, Your almighty Word, O Lord, descended from the royal throne.**

P **Why do the nations rage**

C **and the peoples plot in vain?**

Introit ~ Psalm 2

P The kings of the earth set themselves, and
the rulers take counsel together,

C **against the LORD and against His
anointed.**

P He who sits in the heavens laughs;

C **the Lord holds them in derision.**

Introit ~ Psalm 2

P Then He will speak to them in His wrath,
C **and terrify them in His fury, saying,**

P "As for Me, I have set My King
C **on Zion, My holy hill."**



Introit ~ Psalm 2

**☪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**



Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**



Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God of light, on the night of the birth of the Savior of the world, Your holy angels sang of Your glory. Grant that Your Word as a lamp unfailingly pierces the darkness of our earthbound way, showing us Your grace and enlightening our path with Your holiness; through Jesus Christ,

Prayer of the Day

P Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**



Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:2–7

² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. ⁴ For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor,

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

you have broken as on the day of Midian.

⁵For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. ⁶For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:2–7

⁷Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: Titus 2:11-14

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹²training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness,

Epistle Reading: Titus 2:11-14

and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



Verse

- P** Alleluia. For unto you is born this day in
the city of David a Savior,
C **who is Christ the Lord. Alleluia.**



The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³And all went to be registered, each to his own town.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

⁴And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, ⁵to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. ⁶And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger,

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

because there was no place for them in the inn. ⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. ¹⁰And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

¹⁵When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” ¹⁶And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–20

¹⁸And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**



JESUS TIME FOR THE KIDS

Children please come to the front

380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1 Hark! The herald angels sing,

“Glory to the newborn King;

Peace on earth and mercy mild,

God and sinners reconciled!”

Joyful, all ye nations, rise,

Join the triumph of the skies;

With the_angelic host proclaim,

“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

Refrain

(continued)

380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Refrain

**Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**



380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

**2 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 the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel!**

Refrain

(continued)

380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Refrain

**Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**



380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

3 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.

Refrain

(continued)

380 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Refrain

**Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”**

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Sermon Theme: "*Fear Not*"

Text: Luke 2:1-20

Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father
Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our
Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,**

Apostles' Creed

**☩ suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the
dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.**

Apostles' Creed

☐ From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering





Special Music by Klemp Family

Offertory~

#357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1&6

**1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.**

Refrain

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Offertory ~

#357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1&6

**6 O come, Thou Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.**

Refrain

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Prayer of the Church



Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and
praise.**

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son,

Proper Preface

P we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

#368 Angels We Have Heard on High vs. 1

**1 Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply,
Echoing their joyous strains.**

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses**

Lord's Prayer

**© as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, . . . This do in remembrance of Me.

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, . . . This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you
always.

C **Amen.**



Agnus Dei ~

#368 Angels We Have Heard on High vs. 2-3

2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?

Why your joyous strains prolong?

What the gladsome tidings be

Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

368 Angels We Have Heard on High

**3 Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.**

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Please be seated



379 O Come, All Ye Faithful

**1 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!**

379 O Come, All Ye Faithful

**2 Highest, most holy,
Light of Light eternal,
Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;
Son of the Father
Now in flesh appearing!**

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

379 O Come, All Ye Faithful

**3 Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God
In the highest:**

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

379 O Come, All Ye Faithful

**4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory giv'n!
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing!**

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



412 The People That in Darkness Sat

1 The people that in darkness sat

A glorious light have seen;

**The light has shined on them who
long**

In shades of death have been,

In shades of death have been.

412 The People That in Darkness Sat

**2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righteousness,
The gath'ring nations come;
They joy as when the reapers bear
Their harvest treasures home,
Their harvest treasures home.**



412 The People That in Darkness Sat

**3 To us a Child of hope is born,
To us a Son is giv'n,
And on His shoulder ever rests
All pow'r in earth and heav'n,
All pow'r in earth and heav'n.**



412 The People That in Darkness Sat

**4 His name shall be the Prince of
Peace,**

**The Everlasting Lord,
The Wonderful, the Counselor,
The God by all adored,
The God by all adored.**

412 The People That in Darkness Sat

5 His righteous government and pow'r

Shall over all extend;

On judgment and on justice based,

His reign shall have no end,

His reign shall have no end.



412 The People That in Darkness Sat

**6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
And make us Thine alone,
Who with the Father ever art
And Holy Spirit, one,
And Holy Spirit, one.**



343 Prepare the Royal Highway

1 Prepare the royal highway;

The King of kings is near!

Let ev'ry hill and valley

A level road appear!

Then greet the King of Glory

Foretold in sacred story:

Refrain Hosanna to the Lord,

For He fulfills God's Word!

343 Prepare the Royal Highway

2 God's people, see Him coming:

Your own eternal king!

Palm branches strew before Him!

Spread garments! Shout and sing!

God's promise will not fail you!

No more shall doubt assail you!

Refrain Hosanna to the Lord,

For He fulfills God's Word!

343 Prepare the Royal Highway

**3 Then fling the gates wide open
To greet your promised king!**

Your king, yet ev'ry nation

Its tribute too should bring.

All lands, bow down before Him!

All nations, now adore Him!

Refrain Hosanna to the Lord,

For He fulfills God's Word!

343 Prepare the Royal Highway

**4 His is no earthly kingdom;
It comes from heav'n above.**

His rule is peace and freedom

And justice, truth, and love.

So let your praise be sounding

For kindness so abounding:

Refrain Hosanna to the Lord,

For He fulfills God's Word!



366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

**1 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 all,
From heav’n’s all-gracious king.”
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.**

366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

**2 Still through the cloven skies they
come**

**With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heav'nly music floats
O'er all the weary world.**

Above its sad and lowly plains

**They bend on hov'ring wing,
And ever o'er its babel sounds
The blessèd angels sing.**

366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

3 All you, beneath your heavy load,

By care and guilt bent low,

Who toil along a dreary way

With painful steps and slow:

Look up, for golden is the hour,

Come swiftly on the wing,

The Prince was born to bring you

peace;

Of Him the angels sing.

366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

**4 For lo, the days have come to pass
By prophets seen of old,
When down into the circling years
Came Christ as was foretold.
His word of peace shall to the earth
God's ancient promise bring,
And all who take this gift will hear
The song the angels sing.**

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Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.
Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
And unending praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory
Evermore and evermore.

C **Amen.**

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and
be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and
give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**



363 Silent Night, Holy Night

**1 Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

363 Silent Night, Holy Night

**2 Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia!
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born!**

363 Silent Night, Holy Night

**3 Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.**



***For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given, and
he will be called
Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting
Father, Prince of Peace.***

***Have a Merry Christmas
& Blessed New Year!***

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