

The English Community Outreach Project  
Protestant Deanery of Wiesbaden  
in the Bergkirche

January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021  
*A service of Lessons and Carols*

**Musical Prelude:** Prelude on “Once in Royal David’s city” – David Willcocks

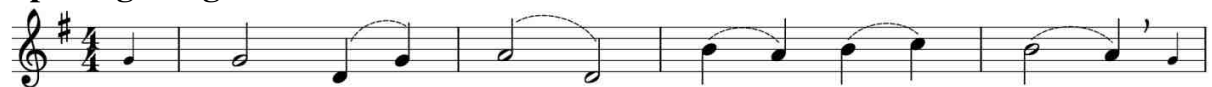
**Greeting and Announcements**

**Invocation:** *We gather today in the love of God, the compassion of Jesus, our Christ, and of the Holy Spirit –*

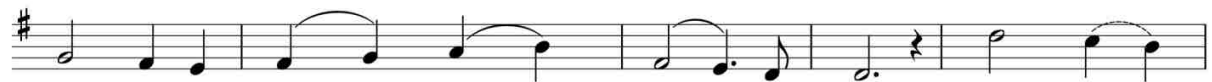


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**Opening Song: O Come All Ye Faithful**



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, o
2. God of God, Light of Light,
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap - py morn - ing,



come ye, o come ye to Beth - le - hem. Come and a -  
Lo!, he ab - hors not the vir - gin's womb; Ve - ry  
Sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove; Glo - ry to  
Je - su, to thee be glo ry giv'n; Word of the



dore him, born the king of an - gels: O come let us a - dore him, o  
God, Be - got - ten, not cre - a - ted:  
God, all glo - ry in the high - est:  
Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing:



come let us a - dore him, o come let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.

## Responsive Reading

Isaiah 11:1-6

A shoot will come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch from its roots will bear fruit.

*The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of advice and power,  
the Spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord.*

He will gladly bear the fear of the Lord.

He will not judge by what his eyes see  
or decide by what his ears hear.

*He will judge the poor justly.*

*He will make fair decisions for the humble people on earth.*

He will strike the earth with a rod from his mouth.

He will kill the wicked with the breath from his lips.

*Justice will be the belt around his waist.*

*Faithfulness will be the belt around his hips.*

Wolves will live with lambs.

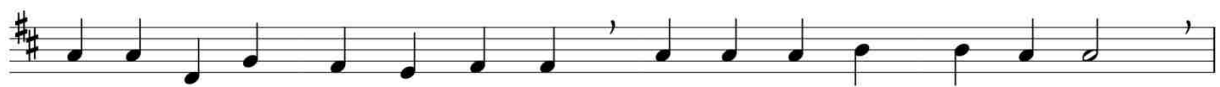
Leopards will lie down with goats.

*Calves, young lions, and year-old lambs will be together,  
and little children will lead them.*

Come let us worship! (Glory sung by cantor)



Glo-ry be to God and to our Christ, and the Ho-ly Ghost.



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be;



and for-e-ver, world with-out end. A-men.



## Introduction to the Lessons and Carols

### 1. Remember that it Happened Once By Wendell Berry

Song: Lo How the Rose E'er Blooming (verse 2 +4)

1. Es ist ein Ros' ent-sprung - en, aus ei - ner Wur-  
 2. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem  
 3. Das Blüm-lein, das ich mei - ne, da - von Je - sa -  
 4. This flow'r of which I'm tel - ling, so said the pro -

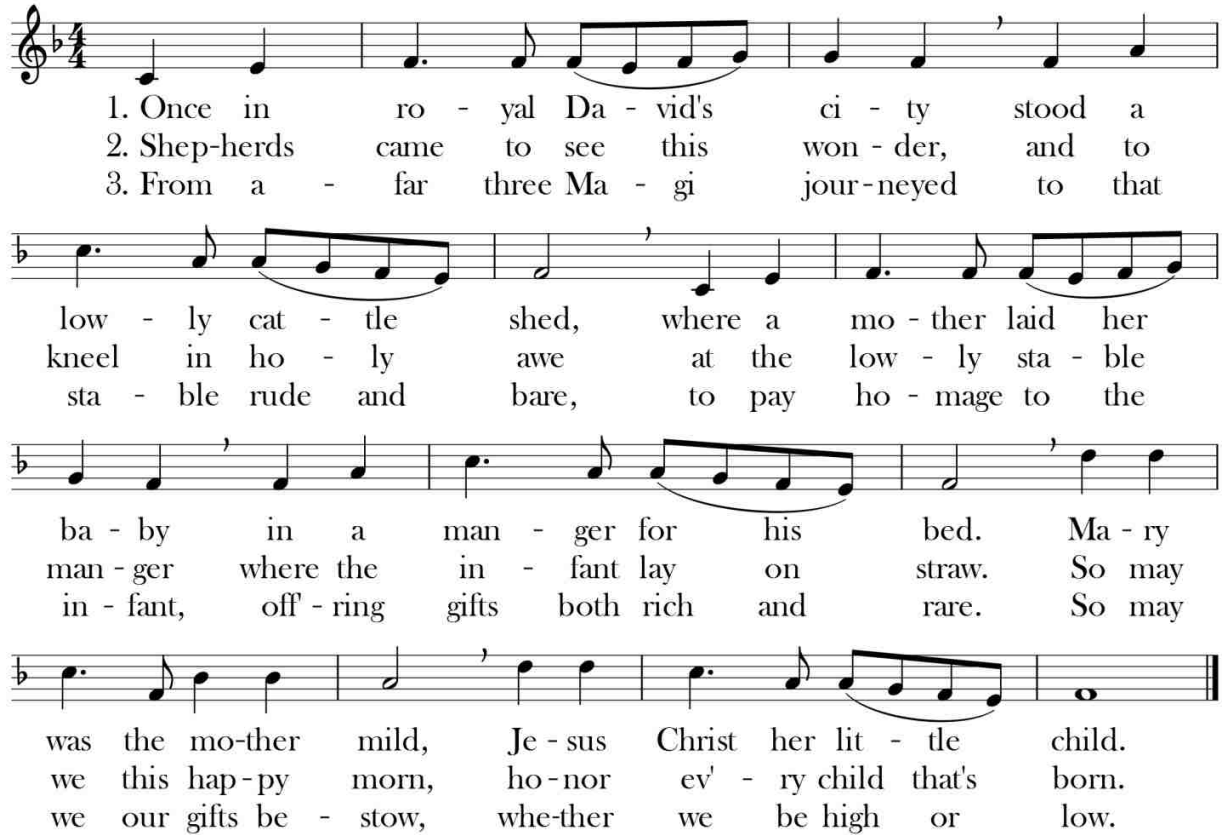
- zel zart, wie uns die Al - ten sun - gen, von  
 has sprung, the an - cient songs still ring - ing, from  
 - ja sagt, hat uns ge - bracht al - lei - ne Ma -  
 - phet bold, born to the young Ma - ri - a, a

Jes - se kam die Art, und hat ein Blüm-lein bracht  
 Jes - se's house has come. Thus came a flow - er bright,  
 rie, die jun - ge Magd; aus Got - tes ew - gem Rat  
 ba - by in the cold; from God's e - ter - nal grace,

mit - ten im kal - ten Win - ter wohl zu der hal - ben Nacht.  
 a - mid the cold of Win - ter, when half-spent was the night.  
 hat sie ein Kind ge - bo - ren wel - ches uns se - lig macht.  
 she bore to us a sav - ior, to save the hu - man race.

## 2. The Angel Gabriel Speaks to Mary: Luke 1:26-38

### Song: Once In David's Royal City



The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is in treble clef, and the subsequent three staves are in bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Once in ro - yal Da - vid's ci - ty stood a  
2. Shep-herds came to see this won - der, and to  
3. From a - far three Ma - gi jour-neyed to that  
low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her  
kneel in ho - ly awe at the low - ly sta - ble  
sta - ble rude and bare, to pay ho - mage to the  
ba - by in a man - ger for his bed. Ma - ry  
man - ger where the in - fant lay on straw. So may  
in - fant, off - ring gifts both rich and rare. So may  
was the mo-ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
we this hap-py morn, ho-nor ev' - ry child that's born.  
we our gifts be - stow, whe-ther we be high or low.

### 3. The Risk of Birth by Madeleine L'Engle

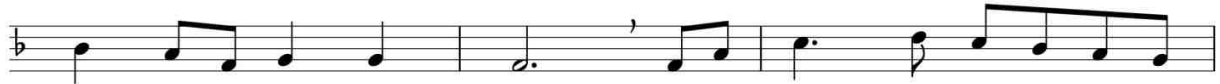
Song: O Little Town of Bethlehem (verse 1 + 3)



1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, the stars pro - claim a -
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is



lie, a - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep, the  
bove. While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their  
given. So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the



si - lent stars go by. Yet in the dark street  
watch of won - d'ring love. The mor - ning stars to -  
fi - nest gift of heaven. No ear may hear his



shin - eth the e - ver - las - ting light! The  
ge - ther pro - claim the ho - ly birth, and  
com - ing, but in this world of sin, where



hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
prai - ses sing to God the king, and peace to all on earth.  
hum - ble souls will wel - come him, the dear Christ en - ters in.

#### 4. The Shepherds and the Angels: Luke 2:8-20

##### Song: Hark the Herald Angels Sing



1. Hark, the her - ald an - gels sing, Glo - ry to the new-born king!  
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ the e - ver - last - ing Lord,  
3. Hail, the new-born Prince of Peace, Hail, the sun of right - eous - ness.



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled.  
Late in time, be - hold him come, First-born son of Ma - ry's womb.  
Light and life to all he bring, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful all ye na - tions rise, join the tri - umph of the skies,  
In the flesh our sav - iour see, ful - ly man and De - i - ty!  
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



With an - ge - lic hosts pro - claim, Christ is born in Beth - le - hem,  
Pleased on earth with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - ma - nu - el,  
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth,



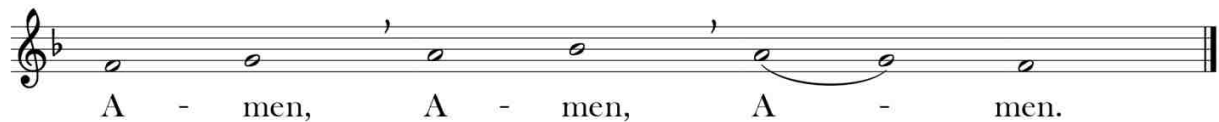
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## 5. "Amazing Peace: A Christmas Poem" By Dr. Maya Angelou

Song: O Holy Night

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Benediction



Postlude: Grand Choeur - César Franck

Singers: *Janine & Michelle Putzek,*

Organ: *Dirk Putzek*

Liturgy: *Rev. Hannah Cranbury*

Technique: *Jörg Müller*

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