



# Christmas Service

DEC 25, 2022





# CALL TO WORSHIP



THE REIGN OF THE LORD'S ANOINTED

- 2 Why do the nations rage<sup>[a]</sup>  
and the peoples plot in vain?
- 2 The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers take counsel together,  
against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,
- 3 “Let us burst their bonds apart  
and cast away their cords from us.”
- 4 He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
the Lord holds them in derision.
- 5 Then he will speak to them in his wrath,  
and terrify them in his fury, saying,
- 6 “As for me, I have set my King  
on Zion, my holy hill.”
- 7 I will tell of the decree:  
The Lord said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.
- 8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.
- 9 You shall break<sup>[b]</sup> them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”
- 10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.
- 11 Serve the Lord with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.
- 12 Kiss the Son,  
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.



# PRAYER





# HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING



## Verse I

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 host proclaim  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"  
Hark the herald angels sing  
"Glory to the new born King"

## Verse II

Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold him come,  
Offspring of the favoured one.  
Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see;  
hail the incarnate Diety  
Pleased as man with men to  
dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel  
Hark the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King"



# HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING



## Verse III

Hail! the heaven-born Prince of  
Peace. Hail the son of

Righteousness

Light and life to all He brings,  
risen with healing in His wings  
Mild He lays His glory by, born  
that man no more may die

Born to raise the son of earth,  
born to give them second birth

Hark the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King"



# JOY TO THE WORLD



## Verse I

Joy to the World; the Lord is  
come!

Let earth receive her King!  
Let every heart prepare Him  
room,

And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven and Heaven and  
nature sing.

## Verse II

Joy to the earth, the Saviour  
reigns!

Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks,  
hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat Repeat the sounding  
joy.



# JOY TO THE WORLD



## Verse III

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 and wonders  
of His love.



# HOW MANY KINGS



## Verse I

Follow the star to a place  
unexpected  
Would you believe, after all  
we've projected  
A child in a manger?  
Lowly and small, the weakest  
of all  
Unlikeliest hero, wrapped in  
his mother's shawl  
Just a child  
Is this who we've waited for?

## Chorus

'Cause how many kings step  
down from their thrones  
How many lords have  
abandoned their homes?  
How many greats have  
become the least for me?  
And how many gods have  
poured out their hearts  
To romance a world that is  
torn all apart?  
How many fathers gave up  
their sons for me?



# HOW MANY KINGS



## Verse 2

Bringing our gifts for the  
newborn Savior  
All that we have, whether  
costly or meek  
Because we believe  
Gold for his honor, and  
frankincense for his  
pleasure  
And myrrh for the cross He  
will suffer  
Do you believe?  
Is this who we've waited  
for?



# RECITATION

1 TIMOTHY 1:15-17





# O HOLY NIGHT



## Verse I

Oh holy night

The stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of our dear Savior's  
birth

Long lay the world in sin and error  
pining

Till he appeared and the soul felt  
its worth

A thrill of hope the weary world  
rejoices

For yonder breaks, a new and  
glorious morn

Fall on your knees, oh hear the  
angel voices

Oh night divine, oh night when  
Christ was  
born

Oh night divine, oh night, oh night  
divine



# O HOLY NIGHT



## Verse II

Led by the light  
of Faith serenely beaming  
With glowing hearts by His cradle  
we stand  
So led by light of a star sweetly  
gleaming  
Here come the wise men from  
Orient land  
The King of kings lay thus in  
lowly manger  
In all our trials born to be our  
friend.  
Fall on your knees, oh hear the  
angel voices  
Oh night divine, oh night when  
Christ was  
born  
Oh night divine, oh night, oh night  
divine



# O HOLY NIGHT



## Verse III

Truly He taught us  
to love one another  
His law is love and His gospel is  
peace  
Chains shall He break for the slave  
is our  
brother  
And in His name all oppression  
shall cease  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful  
chorus raise  
we,  
Let all within us praise His holy  
name.  
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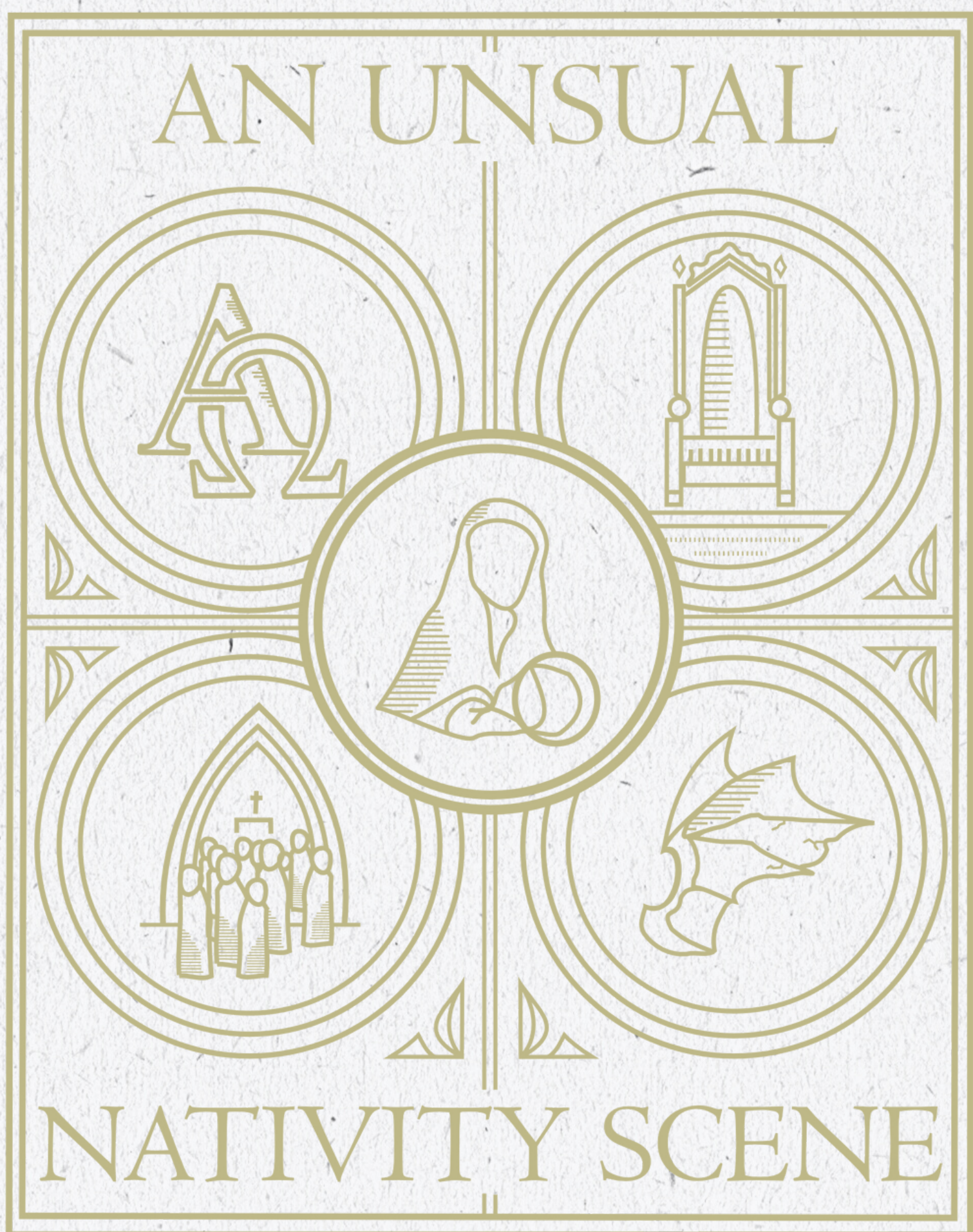
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# PASTORAL PRAYER





### MAIN POINT

The birth of Christ is part of the cosmic battle between God and His enemy the devil.



# REVELATION 12



## THE WOMAN AND THE DRAGON

**12** And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. **2** She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. **3** And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. **4** His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. **5** She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, **6** and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.

## Satan Thrown Down to Earth

**7** Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, **8** but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. **9** And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.



# REVELATION 12



10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. 11 And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. 12 Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”

13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. 14 But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time. 15 The serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, to sweep her away with a flood. 16 But the earth came to the help of the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river that the dragon had poured from his mouth. 17 Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.



# REFLECTION QUESTIONS



How is Jesus revealed in this text?



How does a heavenly perspective of Christmas change your attitude about this holiday?





# HE SHALL REIGN FOREVERMORE



## Verse I

In the bleak mid-winter  
All creation groans,  
For a world in darkness  
Frozen like a stone  
Light is breaking, in a  
stable  
For a throne

## Chorus

And He shall reign  
Forevermore,  
forevermore  
And He shall reign  
Forevermore,  
forevermore  
Unto us a Child is born  
The King of kings and  
Lord of lords  
And He shall reign  
Forevermore,  
forevermore





# HE SHALL REIGN FOREVERMORE



## Verse II

If I were a wise man  
I would travel far  
If I were a shepherd,  
I would do my part,  
But poor as I am  
I will give to Him my  
heart

## Chorus

## Bridge

Here within a manger lies  
The One who made the  
starry skies  
This baby born for  
sacrifice  
Christ, the Messiah!  
Into our hopes, into our  
fears  
The Savior of the world  
appears  
The promise of eternal  
years  
Christ, the Messiah!





# HE SHALL REIGN FOREVERMORE



## Chorus

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# SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT



## Verse I:

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

## Verse II:

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the  
sight.  
Glories stream from  
heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing  
Alleluia,  
Christ the Savior is born!  
Christ the Savior is born  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth



# SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT



## Verse III

Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God love's pure  
light.

Radiant beams from Thy  
holy face

With dawn of redeeming  
grace,

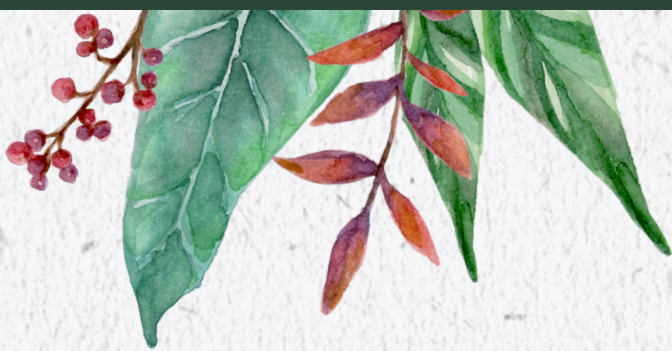
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Merry Christmas

Our Savior is Born





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