



Trinity
Lutheran Church
White Lake, South Dakota

Children's Christmas Eve Service

December 24, 2025, at 5 p.m.

Also viewable on the Trinity White Lake YouTube channel.

About the Service

Narrator Brant will guide us through key phrases in Charles Wesley's hymn "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." Pastor McKillop will read Scripture verses that support those phrases. The hymn surrounds the Christmas Story, narrated by the children.

Processional Hymn

♪ “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

LSB 379:1–3

Congregation and Children

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!

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

The Invocation and Responsive Reading

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P He came as a baby in a manger.

C Come, Lord Jesus.

P He came to be our Savior.

C Come, Lord Jesus.

P With joy and gladness,

C Come, Lord Jesus.

P He comes to us each day in His Word of promise.

C Come, Lord Jesus.

P Let us open our hearts to Him,

C and walk in His ways.

P He will come again to take us to Himself in heaven.

C Come, Lord Jesus.

♪ **Angels We Have Heard on High**

LSB 368

Congregation and Children

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.

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song? *Refrain*
3. Come to Bethlehem and see Him
whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. *Refrain*

The Christmas Meditation

Rev. Don McKillop

♪ **Little Children, Can You Tell**

LSB 368

Congregation:

**Little children, can you tell?
Do you know the story well,
Ev'ry girl and ev'ry boy,
Why the angels sing for joy
On the Christmas morning?**

Children:

Yes, we know the story well;
Listen now and hear us tell, Ev'ry girl and ev'ry boy,
Why the angels sing for joy, On the Christmas morning.

Recitations

Children: Angels sang, and we will sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

♪ **Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**

LSB 380:1

Congregation and Children

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 th’ angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Recitations

♪ **O Little Town of Bethlehem**

LSB 361:1–2

Congregation and Children

1. O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.
2. For Christ is born of Mary, And, gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wond’ring love.
O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the king
And peace to all the earth!

Recitations

♪ Away In A Manger Medley *Children*

Recitations

Children: Angels sang, and we will sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

♪ Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

LSB 380:2

Congregation and Children

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 th’ incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel!
Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Recitations

Brant: “Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n with healing in His wings.”

Congregational Sentences:

WOMEN: In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. John one verse four.

MEN: Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” John eight verse twelve.

WOMEN: [Jesus said,] “As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” John nine verse five.

MEN: So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the

light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.” John twelve verses thirty-five and thirty-six.

ALL: Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” John fourteen verse six.

Recitations

Children: Angels sang, and we will sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

♪ Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

LSB 380:3

Congregation and Children

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.

Hark! The herald angels sing,

“Glory to the newborn King!”

Prayer

P We pray,

C **Father in heaven, thank You for sending us Your Son and our Savior, Jesus. Thank You for all You have done and continue to do for us in His name. For forgiveness of sins, and for joy, peace, hope, and all spiritual blessings, we give You thanks. Fill our hearts with love for You and for others. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

*(Lights down and congregational candlelight
for the next two songs.)*

♪ Silent Night, Holy Night *LSB 363*

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.
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!
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.

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♪ Luther's Evening Prayer *Children*

(Lights up; extinguish congregational candles.)

Announcements and Blessing

P The Lord bless and keep you in His Christmas grace.
May the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

C Amen.

♪ Recessional Hymn: Go Tell It on the Mountain

Children: vs. 1–3

*Congregation, please join in the final refrain as the children
process out.*

***Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev'rywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born! (repeat)***

***Thank you for worshipping with the children from
Trinity Lutheran White Lake this evening!***

Special Thanks To:

Parents: Thank you for including your children in this special Christmas service!

Children:

K: Kayden Rose, Braelyn Wells

1st: Archer Bergeleen

2nd: Turner Rose, Aurora Steichen, Braxton Wells

3rd: Britton Bogenhagen, Orion Steichen

4th: Karl Bergeleen, Aazyhia Sykes

5th: Shae Bergeleen, Blake Bogenhagen, Dayton Simpson

7th: Brant Bogenhagen

Accompanist: Laura Hall

LWML Trinity Ruth Circle: Christmas treat sacks

*David & Nancy Bogenhagen
Rev. Don McKillop
Teachers*



*Thanks be unto God
for his unspeakable gift.*

2 Corinthians 9:15, KJV