

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of December 2, 2018

Praise

Call to Worship: *(everyone together)*

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

Isaiah 40.1-2

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” *(read or sing these words together)*

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: Luke 2.8-20 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

Questions for Discussion: *(may be answered in one worship time or spread over several times)*

1. What announcement did the angel make when appearing to the shepherds?
2. How does the angel's song in verse 14 reveal to us the chief end of man and the purpose of Christmas?
3. How did the shepherds respond to the news?
4. How did the shepherds respond after they saw the Child?
5. How can we “*come to Bethlehem and see, Him whose birth the angels sing*”?

Scripture Memory for December: *(memorize this passage of Scripture this month)*

Luke 2.11-14

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.
¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³ And 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!”

Prayer

Prayer: *(saying together)*

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.