

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY GATHERING

DECEMBER 24, 2021 at 2:00pm



Welcome music and message

[Christmas Canon- Trans-Siberian Orchestra](#)

We gather together to celebrate the birth of Jesus and also to remember that even today when there are dark times, we can look to God for hope, for love and for peace. Over 700 years before Jesus was born a prophet named Isaiah said in 9:6-7

For a child has been born to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Faith, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore.

So let's remember this wonderful birth and join in singing - [O Come, O Come Emmanuel](#)

[O Come, O Come Emmanuel - Traditional Choir](#)

The Birth of Jesus Foretold

Luke 1:26-33

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you. ²⁹ But she was perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name his Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Mary visits Elizabeth

Luke 1:46-47

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior"

The Birth of Jesus

Luke 2:1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them at the inn.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

[Hark! The Herald Angel Sing Kids Songs](#)

The Shepherd and the Angels

Luke 2:8-14

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger. " ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host, praising God and saying, ¹⁴Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!

Angels We Have Heard on High

[Andrea Bocelli - Angels We Have Heard On High](#)

The visit of the Wise Men

Matthew 2:9-11

They set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at first rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gift of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹³

Oh Come all Yea Faithful

[O Come, All Ye Faithful – Pentatonix](#)

Luke 2:14

“Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

Sending message and music

God bless you at Christmas and always. May His love surround you, and the wonder of this season bring your hope, peace and joy in your heart!

Joy to the World

[Soul Children of Chicago - Joy To The World](#)

[Angels We Have Heard on High](#) The Piano Guys Christmas #ShareTheGift

Christmas Carols

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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.

the Herald Angel Sing

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

Hail, the heav'n-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 some of earth
Born to give them second birth
Hark! the herald angels sing
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Angels we have heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be?
Which inspire your heavenly songs?
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

O Come all ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem
O come and behold Him, born the King of Angels

O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God

All glory in the highest
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee be glory given
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him
Christ the Lord!

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord has come
Let earth receive her kind,
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the earth, the Savior 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

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, wonders of His love