

SERMON: 'There is Nothing God Cannot do.'

COMMUNION

*Come and join the celebration
It's a very special day
Come and share our jubilation
There's a new King born today*

See the shepherds
Hurry down to Bethlehem
Gaze in wonder
At the Son of God who lay before them
Wise men journey
Led to worship by a star
Kneel in homage
Bringing precious gifts from lands afar so
God is with us
Round the world the message bring
He is with us
Welcome all the bells on earth are pealing

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BLESSING



G O D O M N I P O T E N T

Midnight Communion 24th December 2017 11.30pm – Ralph Birtwistle.

CALL TO WORSHIP

VIDEO—'Joy to the World'

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

True God of True God
light of light eternal
Lo He abhors not the virgin's womb
Son of the Father
begotton not created

See how the shepherds,
summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks draw near to gaze.
We too will thither
bend our joyful footsteps.

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

Yea Lord we greet you
Born this happy morning
Jesus to you be glory given!
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing.

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The Candles are Lit.

Good Christians all rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Give ye heed to what we say
Jesus Christ is born today
Ox and ass before Him bow
And He is in the manger now
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christians all rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now you hear of endless bliss
Jesus Christ was born for this
He hath opened heaven's door
And man is blessed forevermore
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Good Christians all rejoice
With heart and soul and voice
Now ye need not fear the grave
Jesus Christ was born to save
Come at His most gracious call
To find salvation one and all:
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!

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READING: Luke 1: 26-38

READING: Luke 2: 10-14

O little town of Bethlehem how still we see you lie
Above your deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in your dark streets shineth the everlasting light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in you tonight

For Christ is born of Mary and gathered all above
While mortals sleep the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And peace to men on earth

How silently how silently the wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming but in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still
The dear Christ enters in

O holy Child of Bethlehem descend to us we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell
O come to us abide with us
Our Lord Immanuel

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