

**+ The Birth of Jesus +
Saint David's Church
A Family Service - 4:30PM**

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Entrance Carol "Away in a Manger" – vs.1

*Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.*

Opening Collects
Bristol

Deacon Hank

Carol "Away in a Manger" – vs.1

Let us now see and hear again the extraordinary story of what happened that night, over two thousand years ago, in a distant land, to a people who, like us, were waiting for something – but just didn't know what or whom it would be.

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – vs.1

*O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive
Israel,*

*that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God
appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Em-man-u-el shall come to thee, O
Israel!*

Reading One – Joseph and Mary go to Bethlehem.
*[all family members, with their animal or figure, come
up and place them in the crèche... offer their reading...
and then process back to their places.]*

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Reading Two – Mary gives birth to a son.

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – vs.1

Reading Three – Angels appear to the shepherders.

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – vs.1

Reading Four – The shepherders go to Bethlehem.

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – vs.1

Reading Five – Amazed, Mary kept all these things to herself.

Carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – vs.1

Waiting and Watching – for Jesus!
Hank

Deacon

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Relighting of our (votive) candles

A moment of Silence

Carol "Silent Night" – vs.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.*

Lord's Prayer – And now, as our Savior Christ, born a child many years ago this night, has taught us, we are bold to say 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.***

Christmas Blessing and Dismissal Hank

Deacon

Final Carol "Joy to the World" – vs.1

*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.*

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