# WORSHIP GUIDE – SUNDAY DECEMBER 20TH – 10:15AM

### Theme: Shepherd's Look at Christmas

Welcome: [Pastor Joel]

What will we focus on this morning?

- Celebrate the Birth of Jesus
- Magnify the Gospel this Week
- Contemplate the Shepherd's Perspective

#### **CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS**

#### Congregational Song: Joy Has Dawned

Joy has dawned upon the world, Promised from creation: God's salvation now unfurled, Hope for every nation. Not with fanfares from above, Not with scenes of glory. But a humble gift of love: Jesus born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky With the songs of angels, As the mighty Prince of Life Shelters in a stable. Hands that set each star in place, Shaped the earth in darkness, Cling now to a mother's breast, Vulnerable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb, Gazing at the glory; Gifts of men from distant lands Prophesy the story. Gold, a King is born today, Incense, God is with us, Myrrh, His death will make a way, And by His blood He'll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of heaven, Given as a ransom, Reconciling God and man, Christ our mighty Champion. What a Saviour, what a Friend, What a glorious mystery: Once a babe in Bethlehem, Now the Lord of history.

#### Congregational Song: Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

Sing we the song of Emmanuel This the Christ who was long foretold Lo in the shadows of Bethlehem Promise of dawn now our eyes behold. God Most High in a manger laid Lift your voices and now proclaim Great and glorious, Love has come to us Join now with the hosts of heaven

Come we to welcome Emmanuel King who came with no crown or throne Helpless He lay, the Invincible Maker of Mary, now Mary's son O what wisdom to save us all Shepherds, sages, before Him fall Grace and majesty, what humility Come on bended knee, adore Him

Go spread the news of Emmanuel Joy and peace for the weary heart Lift up your heads, for your King has come Sing for the Light overwhelms the dark Glory shining for all to see Hope alive, let the gospel ring God has made a way, He will have the praise Tell the world His name is Jesus

#### MAGNIFY THE GOSPEL DURING THIS WEEK

**Pastoral Prayer for Christmas Season** [Pastor Bernie]

#### **CONTEMPLATE THE SHEPHERD'S PERSPECTIVE**

Congregational Song: 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? Say what may the tidings be Which inspire your heavenly song?

*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!* 

**Solo:** *Come and Worship* [*Micah Swedeen*]

-3-K5 to Jr Church-

Message: Shepherd's Look at Christmas [Pastor Steve]

Closing Song: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd, you supply my need, Jehovah is His name; in pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back. when I forsake your ways; And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay; one word of Thy supporting grace drives all my fears away. Thy hand in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God Attend me all my days; O may Thy house be my abode, And all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, While others go an come; No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home

## Closing Announcements: [Pastor Steve]