

***St John the Evangelist Anglican Church
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The Fifth Advent Candle is lit as we sing
A Candle is Burning

Carol: ***O Come, All Ye Faithful***
Common Praise #118

Welcome and ***Bidding Prayer***

Lesson #1. A reading from 1 Samuel 2.1-10

Lesson #2. A reading from Luke 1.39-56

Carol: ***Come Thou Long Expected Jesus***
Common Praise #88 vv 1,3,4

Lesson #3. A reading from Isaiah 7.14

Lesson #4. A reading from Matthew 1.18-25

Carol: ***Come, O Come, Emmanuel***
Common Praise #89 vv 1,2,6,7

Choir Anthem: *Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head*

Lesson #5. A reading from Micah 5.2-5a

Lesson #6. A reading from Luke 2.1-7

Carol: ***O Little Town of Bethlehem***
Common Praise # 120

Lesson #7. A reading from Isaiah 52.6-7

Lesson #8. A reading from Luke 2.8-20

Carol: ***Hark! The Herald Angels Sing***
Common Praise #138

Lesson #9. A reading from Numbers 24.17-19

Lesson #10. A reading from Matthew 2.1-12

*Please stand as we make our offering
as the kings did on that night, singing,*

As with Gladness Men of Old

Common Praise #160

Lesson #11: A reading from 1 Corinthians 1.26-31

Incarnation Litany

The Collect for Christmas

Eternal God,
this Holy night is radiant
with the brilliance of Your One True Light.
As we have known the revelation
of that Light on earth,
bring us to see the splendour of Your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

***Candles will be lit,
starting at the centre aisle and moving outward.***

Silent Night

Common Praise #119

We leave in silence, carrying our light out into the world.

¹Silent 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.

²Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight: glories
stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing alleluia,
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

³Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light radiant
beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at thy birth

Peace
be upon you

**May peace be upon you this Christmas!
May faith in the Lord Jesus Christ,
hope in the power of the resurrection,
and the love of God the Father be with you
to bless the coming year.**