

Call to Worship

Across the universe creation waits
for the prophets to speak their words of
expectation and their vision of renewal.
May we gather round them today once more
and let their longing grip us and lead us into
birth and blessing.

So come now my friends this is the meeting
place of promise and prophecy.

Let us listen through the ancient words
that we might be ready to hear a baby's cry

Opening Prayer

Holy God of Joy, we rejoice in the reality of who
you are.

We live within the joy of your love for us.

Our contentment comes and goes.

Our happiness ebbs and flows.

Our feelings depend upon our circumstances,
our physical health, our brain chemistry.

But our *joy* is deeply rooted

in our identity as your beloved children.

And we give you thanks. Amen.

Closing Prayer

Never put your faith in worldly status, and never
underestimate your heavenly importance.

**My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit
rejoices in God my Savior.**

Let your trust in the coming of Christ soar within
you like wings of joy.

Go out into the world and serve one another as
God-bearers.

**My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

Grace, mercy and peace, from God our
Creator, through Jesus our Savior, in the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit our Nurturer,
be with you this day and evermore.

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.**

There's Something About That Name

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus;
There's just something about that name!

Master, Savior, Jesus,
Like the fragrance after the rain;

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Let all heaven and earth proclaim;
Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,
But there's something about that name!

(sing x 2)

Open Our Eyes

1. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him, and say that
we love him.
2. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see
Jesus.

What Child is This

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

(Chorus)

This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

2. Why lies He in such mean estate,
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

(Chorus)

3. So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

(Chorus)

O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. 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;

(Refrain)

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

2. True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal,
lo, he shuns not the Virgin's womb;
Son of the Father, begotten, not created;
(Refrain)
3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
(Refrain)
4. See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;
(Refrain)

Spirit Song

1. Oh let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
Oh let Him have those things that hold you and His Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.
Jesus oh Jesus Come and fill Your lambs
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2. Oh come and sing the song of gladness as your hearts are filled with joy lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
Oh give Him all your tears and sadness give Him all your years of pain and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.
Jesus oh Jesus Come and fill Your lambs
Jesus oh Jesus Come and fill Your lambs.

