



# December 31, 2023 Order of Worship

**Prelude**

**Welcome, Opening Prayer, Passing the Peace**

**Hymn of Praise**      *O Come All Ye Faithful*

**First Scripture**      *Jeremiah 9:23-24, 10:6-7*      *pg. 658*

**Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer**

**Prayer Response**      *Come Thou Fount*

**Second Scripture**      *John 1:1-5*      *pg. 911*

**Sermon**      *Now in Flesh Appearing*

**Musical Response**      *Here I Am to Worship*

**Life Together and Opportunities to Serve**

**Call for Offering**

**Offertory**      *God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen*

**Doxology, Prayer of Dedication**

**Hymn of Commitment**      *Joy to the World*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Leading today's service:** *Daryl Fisher-Ogden,  
Dave Rohde, Ella Rohde, Faith Schierholt*

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## Message Reflections

**Takeaway:** Since the Word of God became human and dwelt amongst us, we can rely on knowing God understands us and extends His grace to us.

## Questions

1. What do you think about when a relative has a baby? What sorts of rituals do you associate with the new birth?
2. Jesus' birth was accompanied by angels praising God. Why?
3. The idea of Jesus and God being equal is difficult for some. As early as the Council of Nicea (325 AD) the church has wrestled with this equality. What questions arise in your mind about Jesus being equal to God?
4. The Nicene Creed states Jesus is "[T]he only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God...." What do you think about these designations?
5. How important is it to you that the Word became human? Why?



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