

### **ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY** - (G) 346; vv. 1, 2, 4 & 5

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her Baby in a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,  
and His shelter was a stable, and His cradle was a stall:  
with the poor, and meek, and lowly lived on earth, our Savior holy.

And our eyes at last shall see Him through His own redeeming love;  
for that Child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above:  
and He leads His children on to the place where He has gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable with the oxen standing by,  
we shall see Him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high:  
there His children gather round bright like stars, with glory crowned.

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### **COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS**

**Chorus:** For You, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait.  
For You, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait.  
Truly our hope is in You, truly our hope is in You.

O Lord of life, our only hope,  
Your radiance shines on all who look to You in the dark.  
Emmanuel come, come light our hearts. **Chorus**

O joy above all other loves,  
in You we find more than enough.

We come as we are;

O heal and restore, come light our hearts. **Repeat**

#### **Chorus**

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### **WHO YOU SAY I AM**

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me.  
I was lost, but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me.  
Oh, His love for me.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.  
I'm a child of God, yes I am.

Free at last, He has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me.

**Chorus:** Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.  
I'm a child of God, yes I am.

In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes I am.

**Bridge:** I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am. **Repeat**  
I am who You say I am. **Chorus**

In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes I am.

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### **THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE** - (B) 127; v. 1, 2, 4 & 5

Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown  
when Thou camest to earth for me;  
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room for Thy holy nativity.  
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus - there is room in my heart for Thee!

Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,  
proclaiming Thy royal decree;  
but of lowly birth didst Thou come to earth, and in great humility.  
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus - there is room in my heart for Thee!

Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word  
that should set Thy people free  
But with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn  
they bore Thee to Calvary  
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus - there is room in my heart for Thee!

When the heav'ns shall ring and the angels sing  
at Thy coming to victory,  
let Thy voice call me home, saying,  
Yet there is room - there is room at My side for thee.  
My heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus, when Thou comest and callest for me!

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## LIGHT OF THE WORLD (SING HALLELUJAH)

Light of the World, Treasure of Heaven,  
brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky.  
Joy of the Father, reach through the darkness,  
shine across the earth, send the shadows to flight.

Light of the World, from the beginning  
the tragedies of time were no match for Your love.  
From great heights of glory, You saw my story.  
God, You entered in and became one of us.

**Chorus:** Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah.  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done!  
Come and adore Him, bow down before Him.  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World.

Light of the World, crown in a manger,  
born for the cross, to suffer, to save.  
High King of Heaven, death is the poorer.  
We are the richer by the price that He paid. **Chorus**

Light of the World soon will be coming.  
With fire in His eyes, He will ransom His own.  
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory,  
and there He shall reign forever more, forevermore! **Chorus**

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## JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES - (B) 112

Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
blessed Redeemer, Living Word. **Repeat all**  
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

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## *Welcome to Our Morning Worship Service*

*Sunday, December 18th, 2022*

*10:00 AM*

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

\*Opening Song of Praise

*"Once in Royal David's City" (G) 346; vv. 1, 2, 4 & 5*

\*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

Lighting of the Advent Candle: Love - Jonathon Postma & Benji Sybesma

Song of Advent

*"Come Light Our Hearts"*

Baptism of **Ramsey Joy Postma**

\*Song of Baptism

*"Who You Say I Am"*

*(Children may come forward for Little Lambs and Children in Worship)*

Children's Message

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: The Upper Room

\*Song of Preparation

*"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" (B) 141; vv. 1, 2, 4 & 5*

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Text: Isaiah 43:1-7 (p. 717); John 3:6-21 (p. 1055)

Sermon: **"I Love You"**

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Application

*"Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)"*

### WE LEAVE TO SERVE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology

*"Jesus, Name Above All Names" (B) 112; two times through*

\*Postlude

**Preaching:** Pastor Dave Vander Meulen

**Organ:** Margaret Van Vliet **Piano:** Florene Hilarides

**\*Please stand if able (G) denotes gray hymnal in pew racks  
(B) blue songbooks under pews**