# **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.

Text: Cecil F. Alexander, 1848 Tune: Henry J. Gauntlett, 1849. Church CCLI License #133103

### 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**Words and Music by Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash and Scott Cash. CCLI Song #7163734 © 2020 Bay19 |
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JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME - (G) 337; all 4 Joy to the world! the Lord is come; let earth receive her King. let every heart prepare Him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns: let all their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow, nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love. Text: Isaac Watts Tune: Lowell Mason. Church CCLI License #133103

#### I WONDER AS I WANDER

I wonder as I wander up under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die for poor orn'ry people like you and like I? I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall with wisemen and famers and shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall and the promise of the ages, it then did recall.

**Chorus:** Can you imagine on that night how His glory filled the heavens? How the stars lip up the sky? Men fell down in adoration. What a gift! Perfect love in the form of a baby. God's own Son, endless life. He gave it all.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky or a bird on the wing, or all of the angels in heaven to sing, He surely could have it for He was the King. *Chorus 2x* 

I wonder as I wander up under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die? Arrangement and original chorus by Anna C. Johnson. © Anna C. Johnson. Church CCLI License #133103.

## WHAT CHILD IS THIS? - (B) 137; all 3

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?

**Refrain:** This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. *Refrain* 

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own Him; the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him. *Refrain* 

Text: William C. Dix Tune: Traditional English melody. Church CCLI License #133103

#### **SING TO THE KING**

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign. Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain. Life and salvation His empire shall bring, and joy to the nations when Jesus is King.

**Chorus:** Come, let us sing a song, a song declaring that we belong to Jesus; He is all we need. Lift up a heart of praise.
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus; sing to the King.

For His returning we watch and we pray; we will be ready the dawn of that day.

We'll join in singing with all the redeemed,

'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King. *Chorus 2x*Words and Music: Billy Foote © 2003 worshiptogether.com Songs (ASCAP)/sixsteps Music (ASCAP), admin. EMICMGPublishing.com
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# Welcome to Our Morning Worship Service Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 10:00 AM

#### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Choral Call to Worship: "Come to Us, O Promised One"

**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 Candles: LOVE- Charlie Zylstra

Song of Advent

"Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)"

Profession of Faith of Aaron Danhoff

Baptisms of *Eden Rose* and *Maxwell Douglas Danhoff* 

\*Song of Response

"Joy to the World" (G) 337; all 4 (Children may come forward.)

Children's Message

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Offering: ThereforeGo Ministries

\*Song of Preparation

"I Wonder As I Wander (Can You Imagine)"

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Text: Matthew 11:1-6 (pp. 969-970) Sermon: "The Christ We Expected?"

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Application

"What Child Is This?" (B) 137; all 3

## **WE LEAVE TO SERVE**

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song

"Sing to the King"

\*Postlude

Preaching: Pastor Dave Vander Meulen
Organ: Kevin Tazelaar Piano: Florene Hilarides
\*Please stand if able (G) denotes gray hymnal in pew racks
(B) blue songbooks under pews