



CHRIST: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

LEADER: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light! For unto us a child has been born, a son is given. Authority rests upon his shoulders – and he will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!

RESPONSE: Let us sing to the Lord a new song! The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

LEADER: Let the earth rejoice! Let the many coastlands be glad! For the Lord is high over all the earth; the Lord is exalted above all. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and joy for the upright in heart!

RESPONSE: Let us sing to the Lord a new song! The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

LEADER: The Word has become flesh and dwelt among us. Let us rejoice and be glad! May we recognize God's presence in and through us.

Light all candles.

ALL: We light the candle of Christ, for in Him is life, and the life is the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overtake it. Hallelujah! Emmanuel is here! Hallelujah! Amen.