

# CHRISTMAS EVE

OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN

DECEMBER 24, 2009

Welcome Tonight, the Father reveals to us the mystery of his love. Our eternal God is born of a virgin in order to save us. Glory to God in the highest.

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## Pre-service music

Ethan Riegsecker — Silent Night  
Martha Wilkinson — Once in Royal David's City  
Trevor Wiles — Still, Still, Still  
Emma Kumwenda — We Three Kings  
Amanda Nelson — Hark! The Herald Angels Sing  
Alexis Page — Infant Holy, Infant Lowly  
Ryan Henning — selected songs

## Greeting

**Hymn 55 stanzas 1-3 Oh, Come, All You Faithful**

## Introduction

**Our Loving God Created the World**

Recitation Pre-K — 4

## Of the Father's Love Begotten stanza 1

Of the Father's Love begotten Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending he,  
Of the things that are, that have been, And that future years  
shall see  
Evermore and evermore.

**We Need The Father's Love**

Narrator: Mark Stamps

Recitation 5-8

**The Father's Love Promised Through the Ages**

Narrator: Paige Riegsecker

Recitation 3-8

## Of the Father's Love Begotten stanza 2

Oh, that birth forever blessed When the virgin full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, Bore the Savior of our race,  
And the babe, the world's Redeemer, First revealed his sacred  
face  
Evermore and Evermore.

**The Father's Promise is Fulfilled**

Narrator: Emma Kumwenda

Reader: Ethan Ripa Luke 1:26-33

Reader: Mark Stamps Matthew 1:18-24

**Jesus is His Name — Pre-K—4**

Recitation 5-6 Luke 2:1-7a

**Hymn 60 Silent Night! Holy Night**

Recitation Pre-K-K Luke 2:7

**Away in a Manger — Pre-K**

## Of the Father's Love Begotten stanza 3

This is he whom heav'n-taught singers Sang of old with one  
accord;  
Whom the Scripture of the prophets Promised in their faith-  
ful word.  
Now he shines, the long-expected; Let creation praise its Lord  
Evermore and evermore.

Recitation Paige Riegsecker Luke 2:8

**The Shepherd Lately Knelt K-8**

Recitation 1-4 Luke 2:9-14

**Peace Came to Earth — Choir**

Recitation 7 Luke 2:15-20

**Mary's Little Boy Child — 5-8**

**Christmas Eve Prayer**

Offering

**Of the Father's Love Begotten Stanza 4, 5**

**Let the heights of heav'n adore him, Angel host his praises  
sing,**

**Powers, dominions bow before him And extol our God and  
King.**

**Let no tongue on earth be silent, Every voice in concert ring  
Evermore and evermore.**

**Christ, to you, with God the Father, And the Spirit cease-  
lessly**

**Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving And unending  
praises be,**

**Honor, glory, and dominion And eternal victory  
Evermore and evermore.**

**The Father's Love Compels Us to Love**

Narrator: Paige Riegsecker

Recitation K-8 John 3:16

Recitation Paige Riegsecker Acts 16:31

Reading Ethan Ripa I John 4:7-12

**Benediction**

M: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and  
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: Amen.**