

THIS SEASON LET'S DO

# Call the Good

## Living Love

December 19, 2021

### We Gather

#### Prelude

WORDS: William C. Dix, 1865  
MUSIC: 16<sup>th</sup> cent. English melody  
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*What Child Is This?*

Lucy Kunkler

### Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

### We Hear

#### Advent Candle Lighting

Lighting the Candle of Love

Hanson Family

#### Song of Response

WORDS: Rev. Angela Blizzard  
MUSIC: James R. Murray, 1887  
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*The Candle of Love*

Dave Nofziger & Lucy Kunkler

#### \*Prayer for Illumination

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#### \*Scripture

Luke 2:1-20

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<sup>2</sup>In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

<sup>8</sup>In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: <sup>11</sup>to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> 'Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!'

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to

us.' <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.<sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gathering of Children

Pastor Lisa

## Message

Living Love

Pastor Lisa

## We Respond

### Song of Response

*Love Came Down at Christmas*

Dave Nofziger & Lucy Kunkler

WORDS: Christina G. Rossetti, 1885  
MUSIC: Trad. Irish melody; harm. by David Evans, 1927  
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### \*Prayers of the People<sup>1</sup>

Prayer response: **We are seeking love.**

### \*Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

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### Closing Song

*The First Noel*

Dave Nofziger & Lucy Kunkler

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### Benediction

May you go forth today with the love of Christ in your hearts. May you be an instrument of that love to all you meet. And may God be with you this Advent season as you do all the good. Amen.

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<sup>1</sup> Adapted from <http://www.freshworship.org/>

\*please stand as you are able

**BOLD** = unison