

The Free Reformed Church of Southern River presents

# Carols in the Park

The Christmas Story: For Unto us a Child is Born!



## 1. JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King.  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heav'n and nature sing  
And heav'n and nature sing  
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns  
Let men their song employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

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.

## 2. ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Angels we have heard on high  
sweetly singing o'er the plains  
and the mountains in reply  
echoing their joyous strains  
Gloria in Excelsis Deo x2

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say what may the tidings be  
which inspire your heavenly song  
Gloria in Excelsis Deo x2

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing  
Come adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the new born King  
Gloria in Excelsis Deo x2

## 3. O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by  
Yet in the dark streets shineth  
The everlasting light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently  
The wondrous Gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of His heaven  
No ear may hear His coming  
But in this world of sin  
Where meek souls will receive Him still  
The dear Christ enters in.

## 4. AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger  
No crib for a bed  
the little Lord Jesus  
Lay down his sweet head.

The stars in the sky  
Look down where he lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing  
The Baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus  
No crying he makes.

I love Thee, Lord Jesus  
Look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle  
'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus  
I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever  
And love me, I pray.

Bless all the dear children  
In thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven  
To live with Thee there.

## 5. ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

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 mean and lowly  
lived on earth our Saviour 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 heav'n above  
and He leads His children on  
to the place where He has gone.

## 6. SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and child  
Holy infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, Holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ the Saviour is born  
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night, Holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy Holy face  
with the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

## 7. O HOLY NIGHT

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining  
Till He appeared and the soul felt it's worth  
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

*Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel's voices  
Oh night divine, Oh night when Christ is born  
Oh night divine, Oh night, Oh night divine.*

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,  
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.  
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,  
There came the wise men from Orient land.  
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger;  
In all our trials born to be our friend.

*He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger,  
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!  
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!*

## 8. ANGELS FROM THE REALM OF GLORY

Angels from the realms of glory,  
wing your flight o'er all the earth  
ye who sang creation's story  
now proclaim Messiah's birth

*Refrain:  
Come and worship, come and worship  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Shepherds in the fields abiding,  
watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with man is now residing  
yonder shines the infant light

Sages, leave your contemplations  
brighter visions beam afar  
seek the great desire of nations  
ye have seen his natal star

Saints in humble prayer now bending  
watching long in hope and fear  
suddenly the Lord descending  
in His temple shall appear.

## YOU'RE INVITED

We would like to invite you to join us in worship tomorrow. We meet at 9:30am and 4:00pm every Sunday at the Free Reformed Church of Southern River, 504 Southern River Road, directly opposite Clearwater Drive.

Special Christmas Day services will be held on Monday 25 December at 9:30am. We invite you to celebrate with us the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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## 9. WHILE SHEPHERD'S WATCH THEIR FLOCKS BY NIGHT

While shepherds watched their flock by night  
all seated on the ground  
an angel of the Lord came down  
and glory shone around.

Fear not, said he, for mighty dread  
had seized their troubled mind.  
Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind.

To you, in David's town today  
is born of David's line  
The Saviour who is Christ the Lord  
and this shall be the sign

The heavenly babe you there shall find  
to human view displayed  
all meanly wrapped in swaddling cloths  
and in a manger laid.

Thus spake the seraph and forthwith  
appeared a shining throng  
of angels praising God, who thus  
addressed their joyful song.

All glory be to God on high  
and to the earth be peace  
good will henceforth from heaven to men  
begin and never cease.

## 10. HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
Glory to the newborn King  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies  
With angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!

Christ, by highest heav'n adored  
Christ the everlasting Lord.  
Late in time, behold Him come,  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see  
Hail th'incarnate deity,  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell  
Jesus our Emmanuel.  
Hark! The herald angels sing,  
Glory to the newborn King.

Hail the heavn born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness.  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Ris'n with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that man no more may die

Born to raise the sons of earth  
Born to give them second birth  
Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!

## 11. THE FIRST NOEL

The first Noel the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds, in fields as they lay.  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Refrain:*  
*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel*  
*Born is the King of Israel!*

They looked up and saw a star  
shining in the east beyond them far  
and to the earth it gave great light  
and so it continued both day and night

And by the light of that same star  
three wise men came from a country far  
to seek for a King was their intent  
and to follow the star wherever it went

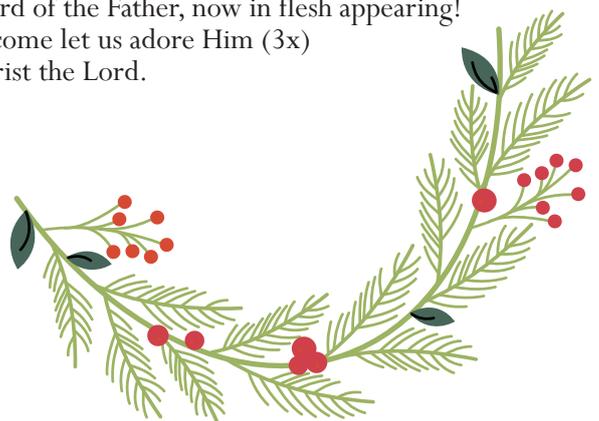
This star drew nigh to the northwest  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest  
and there it did both stop and stay  
right over the place where Jesus lay.

## 12. O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant  
O come ye, o come ye, to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels  
O come let us adore Him (3x)  
Christ the Lord

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest  
O come let us adore Him (3x)  
Christ the Lord

O Saviour we greet thee, born this happy morning  
O Jesus, to thee be glory given!  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!  
O come let us adore Him (3x)  
Christ the Lord.





FRIDAY DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 2017

**5:00 - 9:30 PM**

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504 SOUTHERN RIVER ROAD

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BOUNCY CASTLE, KIDS ACTIVITIES, GOURMET FOODS, COFFEE AND MORE!

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