

## CCO Christmas Morning 2020 online and in church

I bring you good news of great joy:  
A Saviour has been born to you. Alleluia!  
**Unto us a child is born, a son is given.  
Alleluia!**

*We light the Christmas Candle*

Today Christ is born:  
**Alleluia!**  
Today the Saviour has come:  
**Alleluia!**  
Today the angels sing on earth:  
**Alleluia! Glory to God in the highest!**

*CAROL*

*CONFESSION*

The sun of righteousness has dawned  
with healing in his wings.  
Let us come to the light of Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

God our Father,  
you sent your Son full of grace and truth:  
forgive our failure to receive him.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus our Saviour,  
you were born in poverty and laid in a manger:  
forgive our greed and rejection of your ways.  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Spirit of Love,  
your servant Mary responded joyfully to your call:  
forgive the hardness of our hearts.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*ABSOLUTION*

May the God of all healing and forgiveness  
draw *you* to himself  
that *you* may behold the glory of his Son,  
the Word made flesh,  
and be cleansed from all *your* sins,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*COLLECT*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God. **Amen.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

*THE 1<sup>st</sup> READING*

*CAROL*

*THE GOSPEL READING*

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
and we have seen his glory. **Alleluia.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to *N.*  
**Glory to you O Lord.**

*At the end the reader says:*  
This is the gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*SERMON*

*PRA YERS OF INTERCESSION*

*THE OFFERTORY CAROL*

*PEACE*

*As I prepare the table, I invite you now to remember all those for  
whom we pray God's peace this Christmas, as we hold them in our  
hearts and minds.*

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,  
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We share The Peace*

Word made flesh, life of the world,  
in your incarnation you embraced our poverty:  
by your Spirit may we share in your riches. **Amen.**

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

And now we give you thanks  
Because, in the incarnation of the Word,  
A new light has dawned upon the world;  
You have become one with us  
That we might become one with you in your glorious kingdom.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.** *(sit or kneel)*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit

these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love

and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### *THE LORD'S PRAYER*

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us,  
Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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

### *BREAKING OF THE BREAD*

We break the bread of life,  
And that life is the light of the world.  
**God is here among us,  
The light in the midst of us,  
Bring us to light and life.**

## *INVITATION TO COMMUNION*

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.

**Lord, give us this bread always.**

*On behalf of us all I say:*

*The Body of Christ keep us in eternal life. Amen.*

*The Blood of Christ keep us in eternal life. Amen.*

## *AFTER COMMUNION*

God our Father,  
whose Word has come among us  
in the Holy Child of Bethlehem:  
may the light of faith illumine our hearts  
and shine in our words and deeds;  
through him who is Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God,**  
**We thank you for feeding us**  
**with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**  
**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies**  
**To be a living sacrifice.**  
**Send us out in the power of your Spirit**  
**To live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

***CAROL: O come all ye faithful***

*BLESSING AND DISSMISSAL*

May the joy of the angels,  
The eagerness of the shepherds,  
The perseverance of the wise men,

The obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
And the peace of the Christ-child  
Be yours this Christmas;  
and the blessing ...

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.  
**Glory, thanks and praise to God.**