

*Christmas Day
December 25, 2011*

PRELUDE

“Come On Ring Those Bells”

David Brasher

A WELCOME ON CHRISTMAS MORNING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: To us a gift has been given,

People: A tiny baby, born in a manger.

Pastor: A gift of peace to troubled souls,

People: A gift of joy to sad hearts.

Pastor: A gift of hope to worried people,

People: A tiny baby.

Pastor: A gift from God,

People: Meant for us.

Pastor: Open your hearts,

People: Raise your voices.

Pastor: Give thanks to the Giver, Almighty God,

People: Welcome the gift of Jesus!

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

“Away in a Manger”

*Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked 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 till 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.*

HOLY BAPTISM

COMMUNION HYMN

“Jesus Loves Me!”

*Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.*

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

SHARING OUR COMMITMENTS AND CHRISTMAS OFFERING

MESSAGE

“The Best Things In Life Are Not Things”

CAROL OF CELEBRATION

“Joy To The World”

*Joy, to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare Him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

*Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs 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.*

BENEDICTION

“A Circle of Love”

POSTLUDE

“Jesus Is Coming Again”

Cymbala

The Gift of Christmas – Jesus

*Christmas is God deep in the flesh.
Martin Luther*

*Love is what is in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.
Eight-year-old girl*

*Our main job is not to cry “Look what the world has come to”,
but “Look who has come to the world”.
Kermit C. Long*

*Jesus is God's love in person on earth.
Phil Muth*

*We love You Jesus. You are the best God we ever had.
Nine-year-old boy*

*In BC we know God is. In AD we know who God is.
Author Unknown*

*Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King.
Isaac Watts*

*He is Majesty in the midst of the mundane.
Max Lucado*

*God entered into an ordinary home and into an ordinary family.
William Barclay*