

## Bellflower UMC

GREETINGS<sup>1</sup>
ANNOUNCEMENTS
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
OPENING PRAYER
PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

THE LIGHTING TO

Hark! the herald angels sing.

Jesus, the light of the world.

Glory to the newborn King,

Jesus, the light of the world.

We'll walk in the light, beautiful light.

Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.

Oh, shine all around us by day and by night.

Jesus, the light of the world.

### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>2</sup>

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that we may learn God's ways and walk in God's paths.

Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

OPENING HYMN 🎶

246. Joy to the World

**ADVENT CANDLES** 

RESPONSE<sup>3</sup> 🎶

Hope, hope, may Earth be filled with hope.

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The hope that fills the world with gladness, taking away our tears of sadness.

Hope, hope, hope, may Earth be filled with hope.

PSALM Psalm 122

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER - #895

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, forever. Amen.

RESPONSE 🎶

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

HYMN 🎶 251. Go, Tell It On the Mountain

SERMON

**OFFERING & PEACE** 

DOXOLOGY - #95 🎶

# HOLY COMMUNION SENDING FORTH

May the grace of Christ,
the love of God,
and the Spirit's joy
surround you as you walk in the light of the Lord.
Go share the light given you by our new-born Savior.
Take your light into the world and announce
in every office,
on every street-corner,
and from every mountain peak:
Jesus Christ is born.

### POSTLUDE 🎶

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and ev'rywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

#### Next Sunday:

Isa 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-7, 18-19; Rom 15:4-13; Matt 3:1-12

→ Angels We Have Heard on High

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