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# Luke Live!

## Luke's Gospel with Songs & Meditations

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Tonight: Luke 1-3. Please note, we will have a Q & A session and time to discuss the Meditations at the conclusion of the evening's proclamation.

### I Opening Prayers

### II Solo Song: *Simple Song*

Music by Leonard Bernstein with Lyrics by Leonard Bernstein & Stephen Schwartz © 1971 Bernstein/& Schwarz; Boosey & Hawkes Publishers

III Meditation # 1: Have you thought what it would be like to live in an occupied country? Judea was Roman territory in the first century A.D. Religious freedom was granted to Jews but it was tenuous—it could be revoked at any time. What feelings arise within you when you think what that might be like? In what ways might you feel "oppressed" in your current life situation?

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Take note how Luke's Gospel addresses "oppression."

### IV Congregation Song: *An Angel Came From Heaven*

Music & Lyrics by Christopher Walker & Paule Freedburg, D.C. © 1994 by Walker/Freedburg; Oregon Catholic Press: *Stories & Songs of Jesus*.

Verse 1: An angel came **from heaven** (3 x's) to bring good news.  
**The angel's name was Gabriel** (3 x's) to bring good news.

Verse 2: He came to see **a lady** (3 x's) to bring good news.  
**The lady's name was Mary** (3 x's) to bring good news.

Verse 3: He said, "You'll have **a baby**" (3 x's) to bring good news.  
**The baby's name was Jesus** (3 x's) to bring good news.

### V Congregation Song: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel - vs. 1 and 2 Please Stand.*

Verse 1: O come, O come Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel that mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Verse 2: O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and  
Order all things far and nigh, To us the path  
of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go. **Refrain.**

**VI Meditation # 2:** Do you believe in angels? What is their purpose in the scriptures? Might they still have a purpose today? How do you think God communicates to you and others in the world today? (See Luke Chapter One)

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**VII Congregation Song: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel -vs. 3 Please Stand.**

Verse 3: O come, thou Holy Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height. In ancient times didst give the law in cloud and majesty and awe. **Refrain.**

**VIII Meditation # 3:** Reflect on Mary's Magnificat: What are some of the feelings it evokes in you? What might you find surprising about it? How might our being in touch with our 'lowliness' help us in our relationship with God and be more joyful in our everyday life? (See Luke 1: 46-55)

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**IX Congregation Song: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel - vs.5 and 6 Please Stand.**

Verse 5: O come, thou key of David, come and open wide our heavenly Home. Make safe the way that leads on high and close the path to misery. **Refrain**

Verse 6: O come, thou day-spring, come and cheer our spirits by thy advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadow put to flight. **Refrain.**

**X Solo Song: Night of Silence verse 1**  
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**XI Congregation Song: Silent Night verses 1 & 3**  
Text: Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht by Joseph Mohr; 1792-1849;  
Translation by John F. Young 1820-1885



