**Primary Christmas Program**

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**Choir: Silent Night**

**Narrator:** And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augusts, that all the world should be taxed…And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the City of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house of lineage of David, to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife being great with child. And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for him in the inn. (Luke 2:1-7)

**Choir: When Joseph Went to Bethlehem**

**Narrator**: And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:8-11).

**Choir: Stars Were Gleaming**

**Narrator:** And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.” (Luke 2:13-14)

**Choir: The Nativity Song**

**Narrator**: And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, “Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.” And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

 (Luke 2:15-19)

**Choir: Mary’s Lullaby**

**Narrator**: Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, “Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.”… and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11)

**Choir: The First Noel**

**Narrator**: This then, would be our Christmas remembrance. The babe in the manger, the boy in the temple, the young man in the wilderness, on the mount, and upon the cross, and the Son of God, risen upon that morn to make the second birth a living reality for all mankind. We worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whose birth we commemorate. We stand in awe of His life and of the great atoning sacrifice which He performed. Through obedience to the principles of the Gospel we may be reconciled with God and may become qualified to return. Modern prophets have reiterated that at this joyous time of year, the happiest of all seasons, let us ever keep in mind that people are most blessed whose daily conduct most nearly comports with the teaching and example of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. With glad hearts and great rejoicing may we celebrate the Birth of the Savior of the world.

**Choir: Joy to the World**