



SUMMERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Everyday Disciples who make Disciples Every Day

WORSHIP GUIDE

DATE: December 20, 2020

SERMON TITLE: Behold the Saviour Comes: To Bring Joy

SPEAKER: Dr. Deven K. MacDonald

SERMON TEXT: Luke 2:1-14

The Birth of Jesus

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

PRAYER FOR OUR PEOPLE:

- Lloyd Weiss is undergoing transplant tests and an assessment for another kidney transplant. Please pray that: these results would give him the go ahead for this second transplant, and for his gradual transition back to work;
- Betty Cross had a phone appointment with a liver specialist who indicated that surgery would be best. They would be looking at removing 10% of her liver and the entire gall bladder. Please pray that the surgery (when scheduled) would go well and that the results from her recent MRI would be favourable.