# Finale: It's Christmas!

Closing Song: 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 earth! The Savior reigns; Let us our song 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!



# Advent/Christmas Paraliturg)

# **Prelude: Carol of the Bells**

# **Procession of Wreath and Candles**

Song: Christ Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

### Refrain:

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. Refrain.

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. Refrain.

# **God's Promise of Salvation**

Adam and Eve—*Spark of Creation*Miriam, Deborah, Judith—*When You Believe* 

# **Salvation Comes**

Mary's Journey—*Breath of Heaven* Joseph's Dream

# The Census—Trumpet flare

### Journey to Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by Yet in thy dark streets shineth, the everlasting light The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight. For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above While mortals sleep the angels keep their watch of wondering love Oh morning stars together, proclaim thy holy birth. And praises sing to God the king, and peace to men on earth.

# The Birth of the Christ Child

—Mary Did You Know?

### **Out in the Fields**

A Very Special Night—Po La'i e The Shepherds and Angels

### Led by the Star

We three kings of Orient are bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, moor and mountain following yonder star

O Star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading, still proceeding guide us to thy Perfect Light!

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain gold I bring to crown Him again

King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign. Refrain.

Frankincense to offer have I Incense owns a Deity nigh Pray'r and praising, all are raising worship Him, God most high

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying sealed in the stone-cold tomb. Refrain

### **Christmas Reflections**

## **Prayer of the Faithful**

### **Special Recognition**