

## Sunday, 16 December 2018—Morning Service

Leader	Item	Details
Edwin	Welcome and Announcements	
Edwin	Call to Worship	Prayer Psalm: 95
Edwin	Prayer of Invocation	
Edwin	Scripture Reading	Ephesians 2:1–10
Edwin	Song	<b>There is a Higher Throne (2 verses)</b>
Edwin	Song	<b>I Cannot Tell (4 verses)</b>
Doug	Pastoral Prayer	
Edwin	Song	<b>Silent Night (3 verses)</b>
Edwin	Offering (taken during the above song)	
Edwin	Song	<b>Show Us Christ (2 verses)</b>
Edwin	Dismiss Children’s Church	
Doug	Sermon	Luke 2:1–21
Doug	Song	<b>Wonderful, Merciful Saviour (3 verses)</b>
Doug	Closing	

### THERE IS A HIGHER THRONE

1 There is a higher throne than all this world has known,  
where faithful ones from every tongue will one day come.  
Before the Son we’ll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;  
believing hearts find promised grace: Salvation comes.

*Hear heaven’s voices sing, their thund’rous anthem rings  
through em’rald courts and sapphire skies, their praises rise.  
All glory, wisdom, pow’r, strength, thanks and honour are  
to God, our King, who reigns on high forevermore.*

2 And there we’ll find our home, our life before the throne;  
we’ll honour him in perfect song where we belong.  
He’ll wipe each tear-stained eye, as thirst and hunger die;  
the Lamb becomes our Shepherd King: We’ll reign with him.

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to bring them back, they know not how or when.  
But this I know: that he was born of Mary,  
when Bethl’hems manger was his only home,  
and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,  
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world is come.

2 I cannot tell how silently he suffered,  
as with his peace he graced this place of tears,  
or how his heart upon the cross was broken,  
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.  
But this I know: he heals the broken-hearted,  
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,  
and lifts the burden from the heavy-laden,  
for yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world is here.

3 I cannot tell how he will win the nations,  
how he will claim his earthly heritage,  
how satisfy the needs and aspirations  
of east and west, of sinner and of sage.  
But this I know: all flesh shall see his glory,  
and he shall reap the harvest he has sown,  
and some glad day, his sun shall shine in splendour  
when he, the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

4 I cannot tell how all the lands will worship,  
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,  
or who can say how great the jubilation  
when all the hearts of men with love are filled.  
But this I know: the skies will thrill with rapture  
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,  
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### SILENT NIGHT

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### SHOW US CHRIST

1 Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive;  
break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief.  
Plant your word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit;  
open up our ears to hear, lead us in your truth.  
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2 Counsellor, comforter, keeper, Spirit we long to embrace,  
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3 Almighty infinite Father, faithfully loving your own,  
here in our weakness you find us  
falling before your throne—oh we’re falling before your throne!

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<u>Leader</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Details</u>
Edwin	Welcome and Announcements	
Edwin	Explanation of Events	
Edwin	Scripture Reading	Psalm 67:1–7
Edwin	Prayer	
Edwin	Introduce Video	Dispatches Episode 1: Islands on the Edge (50 min)

A pioneer missionary once wrote, “Some want to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell.” *Dispatches from the Front: Islands on the Edge* takes you where there are no church buildings or chapel bells; yet the gospel is unstoppable and Christ’s kingdom is advancing even in the face of persecution, desperate poverty, and Asia’s secret slave trade. Travel to the islands of Southeast Asia—from the towering city of Singapore to the squalid encampments of Borneo. Ferry through Cambodia’s remote river country, visit a Buddhist monastery where people with AIDS are living and dying, and rejoice with new believers in a house church in Indonesia.

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<u>Edwin</u>	<u>Closing Prayer</u>
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