## THE LORD'S DAY

December 24, 2023

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matthew 18:20
PRELUDE – The prelude is a time for heart preparation. It is important that we use this time for preparing ourselves for the privilege of entering the presence of the King.

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## **Benediction & Postlude**

" But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law ,To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." Galatians 4:4-5

## The Star of Bethlehem

Not to the king the Star, Flaming in light afar: Not to the king on his throne apart, With fear and hate in his evil heart. Speaking smoothly with lying ruse To find the new-born King of the Jews; Not to the king the flame, The light and the glory came. Not to the seers the Star. Shedding its beams afar: Not to the seers with their downbent looks, Poring over their ancient books, Searching where and pondering when, He should be born who is Saviour of men: Not to the seers the flame, The light and glory came. Not to the sword the Star. Glowing and bright afar: Not to the sword that sought where He lay, Callous and cruel and eager to slay; Never were bearers of swords so led Where helpless and innocent blood was shed: Not to the sword the flame, The light and the glory came. But to the wise the Star. Lighting their path afar; Unto the wise who truly sought With reverent worship and loving thought These to the Child the Star could bring, To lay their gifts at the feet of the King: Unto the wise the flame, The light and the glory came. - Annie Johnson Flint -