



**Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 20, 2020
First Baptist Church of Lafayette**

Prelude	"Pastoral Symphony" From Handel's <i>Messiah</i>	Melanie Manges
Welcome to Worship		Len Wilson
Gathering Song	"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (Verse 1) O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel! (Verse 4) O come, Desire of Nations, bind All peoples in one heart and mind; Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!	#154

Call to Worship*¹

Len Wilson

One: I knew joy, but when I heard the laugh of my child,

All: Suddenly, joy was overflowing.

One: I knew love, but when you held my hand,

All: Suddenly, love was overflowing.

One: I knew God, but when you showed me grace,

When you forgave me,

When you loved me,

When you raised me.

All: Suddenly, God was overflowing.

One: So, let us worship Holy God together

As a reminder that God is here and we are never alone.

All: This is community.

One: This is the body of Christ.

All: Welcome home.

Hymn of Advent

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

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(Verse 1) Of the Father’s love begotten, ere the world began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore!

(Verse 2) O that birth forever blessed, when a virgin, blest with grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race;
And the babe, the world’s Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face,
Evermore and evermore!

Lighting the Candle of Love*

The Garrett Family

¹ *Call to Worship, Candle Litany, and Prayer written by Sarah Are/A Sanctified Art LLC/sanctifiedart.org.
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*That we might praise you not with our words only,
But with our whole lives. Amen.*

Offertory

"Away in a Manger"
Matt Hood & Melanie Manges

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Announcements

Rev. Hood

Benediction

Rev. Hood

Postlude

"Silent Night"/"The First Noel"
arr. Smith

Melanie Manges



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Worship Leaders In This Service:

The Garrett Family, Advent Candle Lighters

Sylvia Mohler, Vocalist

Melanie Manges, Organist/Pianist

Aurie Swartz, Director of Communications & Technology

Matt Hood, Director of Music Ministry

Rev. Lisa Williams Hood, Senior Pastor

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