




**Welcome to the Furzedown Churches
Children's Carol Service
Sunday 17th December 2023 at 3.30pm**



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

 **SEE HIM LYING ON A BED OF STRAW,**
A draughty stable with an open door;
Mary cradling the babe she bore;
The Prince of glory is His name.

*O now carry me to Bethlehem
To see the Lord appear to men!
Just as poor as was the stable then,
The Prince of glory when He came.*


Star of silver, sweep across the skies,
Show where Jesus in the manger lies;
Shepherds swiftly from your stupor rise
To see the Saviour of the world.

Angels, sing again the song you sang,
Bring God's glory to the heart of man;
Sing that Bethlehem's little baby can
Be salvation to the soul.

Mine are riches, from Your poverty;
From Your innocence, eternity;
Mine, forgiveness by Your death for me,
Child of sorrow for my joy.

Michael Perry Jubilate Hymns

THE BIRTH OF JESUS (Video)

 **O WHAT A SPECIAL NIGHT**
When baby Jesus was born
The sheep who were there that day
Sang a song for his birthday
And this is what they sang

*Baa, baa, baa, baa, baa, baa, baa,
Thank you God for baby Jesus
Baa, baa, baa, baa, baa, baa, baa,
Baby Jesus is born
(Repeat)*

O what a special night
When baby Jesus was born
The cows who were there that day
Sang a song for his birthday
And this is what they sang


*Moo, moo, moo, moo, moo, moo,
Thank you God for baby Jesus
Moo, moo, moo, moo, moo, moo,
Baby Jesus is born
(Repeat)*

O what a special night
When baby Jesus was born
The donkeys who were there that day
Sang a song for his birthday
And this is what they sang

*Hee, haw, haw, haw, haw, hee, haw,
Thank you God for baby Jesus
Hee, haw, haw, haw, haw, hee, haw,
Baby Jesus is born
(Repeat)*

THE PUPPET NATIVITY

Children come up in costume as we sing

 **THE VIRGIN MARY HAD A BABY BOY**
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy
And they say that his name is Jesus

*He come from the Glory,
He come from the Glorious Kingdom,
(Repeat)
Oh yes, believer! Oh yes, believer!
He come from the Glory,
He come from the Glorious Kingdom.*

The angels sang when the baby
was born
The angels sang when the baby
was born
The angels sang when the baby
was born
And they sang that His name is Jesus

The shepherds came where the baby
was born
The shepherds came where the baby
was born
The shepherds came where the baby
was born
And they say that His name is Jesus

The wise men saw where the baby
was born
The wise men saw where the baby
was born
The wise men saw where the baby
was born
And they saw that his name is Jesus

West Indian traditional; James Bryce 1942 (Cambridge Hymnal, 1967)



PRAYER



AWAY IN A MANGER,

No crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down
His sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky
looked down where He lay;
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes:
I love You, Lord Jesus!
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus: I ask You to stay
Close by me for ever
and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in
Your tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with
You there.

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FINAL PRAYER & BLESSING

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