

*Happy*

*Christmas!*



**Haverhill Methodist Church**

Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> December 2022 10am

*(All four red candles are lit, then the white candle)*

As we light our centre candle

We thank you Jesus for coming to be at the centre of our lives.

We are ready to welcome you as our Saviour, Immanuel, God with us.

**Light of the world, shine on us.**

**Light of the world shine through us.**

**Light of the world, light the way.**

**After all our waiting and watching,  
this is the moment.**

**Come and see what God has done.**

**Come as you are**

**Come softly**

**Come excited**

**Come empty**

**Come in wonder**



**Come with joy  
Come in worship  
Come and see Jesus  
God with us.  
God one of us.  
Come let us adore him.**



# POSADA: TRAVELLING NATIVITY



LET'S SHARE THE JOURNEY TOGETHER THIS YEAR...

Travellers:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hosts:

**And also with you**

Travellers:

We bring you news of a great joy, a joy to be shared by all people, for to you is born today in the city of David, a Saviour who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign to you, you will find him wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.

***Posada figures are placed on the communion table***



Hosts:

**Thanks be to God**

Travellers:

Jesus Christ is the Light of the world

Hosts:

**A light no darkness can hide**

Travellers:

The shepherds kept watch by night

Reading:- (A traveller) St Luke 2:8-14 The shepherds and the angels

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the

glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.'

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'"

Hosts:

**And your Glory shone around them**



Travellers:

The darkness is not dark to you

Hosts:

**The night is as bright as the day**

Travellers:

Let your light scatter the darkness

Hosts:

**And fill your world with your Glory**

Reading: (Host) Ken St Luke 2: 1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went

to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Travellers and Hosts together:

**As we welcome these crib figures into our church today, may we all welcome Jesus into our hearts and lives this Christmas time. Amen.**













MAKE ROOM FOR

OTHERS



MAKE ROOM  
for  
JESUS



LUKE 2:1-7

For unto us a child is born,  
Unto us a Son is given

Isaiah 9:6

Make room for  
**Peace**







MAKE ROOM FOR  
**HOPE**

MAKE ROOM FOR

LOVE