### A New Noel

T.L. Boyd

The first Noel, the angel did say,
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King, the King of Israel.

For all to see there was a star shining in the east, beyond them far, and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

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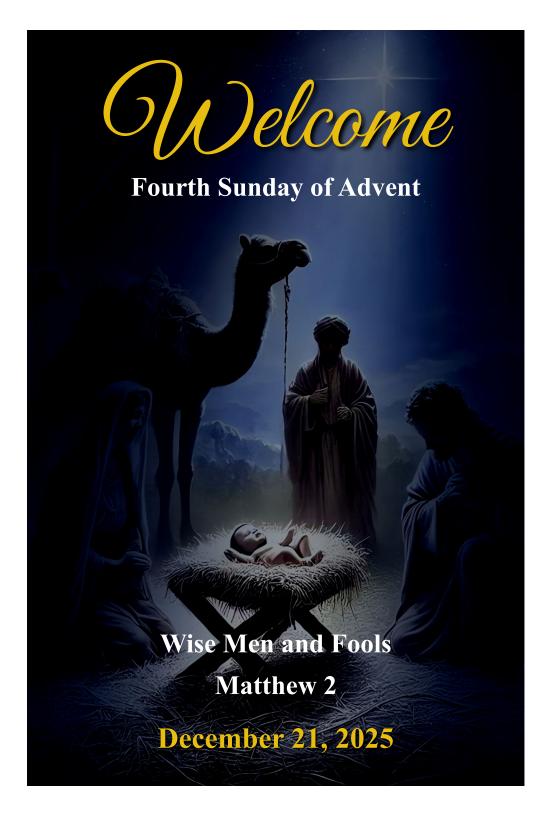
Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord, who hath made heaven and earth of naught, and with His blood mankind hath bought.

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# **Salem Evangelical Reformed Church, Hellers**

December 21, 2025

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Waiting—Wonder—Worship

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Ringing of the Bell

We Gather to Glorify God

**Prelude** Preparing our hearts for worship

Advent Candle Lighting (Hope) - Lorraine Latschar, Keira H

\*Our Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, it's oh so easy to forget the true meaning of Christmas. That you gave. You gave your life so that we could have life abundant. May we not get lost in the consumerism and greed that often accompanies this season. Give us a spirit of compassion and charity so that we may bless others this time of year, and throughout the year. Not just in December. Amen.

\*Hymn of the Month Fullness of Grace (#221)

\*Confession of Faith Nicene Creed

(see bulletin insert)

Anthem A New Noel – Sanctuary Choir

We Gather to Grow in the Spirit

**Musical Offering** I Wonder as I Wander — Carolyn McLain

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 2:1-18 (pew Bible page 960)

\*Hymn We Three Kings of Orient Are (#228)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Message Wise Men and Fools - Dr. Sam Harbin

Matthew 2:1-18 (pew Bible page 960)

We Go Into the World with the Gospel of Jesus Christ

\*Closing Hymn It Came Upon The Midnight Clear (#246)

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Worship Leader—Elisa Nickels

Director of Music—Carolyn McLain | Organist—David Andrews

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# Sunday School at 11:15 AM—All Welcome!

Upstairs Age 3—7 Loving Jesus

Upstairs Age 8—12 Listening to Jesus

Upstairs Age 13—18 Digging Deeper (Westminster Catechism)

Berean Room Adults The Basics of the Christian Life

<sup>\*</sup>Worshippers, please stand if physically able.