REJOICE WITH EXCEEDING GREAT JOY!

A Worship Sequence

How Great Our Joy!; stanzas 1,2,4
Joy to the World!; stanzas 1,2,4
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You; complete

Suggested stanzas have been marked with an arrow ➤

WORSHIP LEADER

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

EVERYONE

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

from Luke 2:8-14
THE LIFE OF CHRIST

Optional introduction to "How Great Our Joy!"

How Great Our Joy!

I bring you good tidings of great joy. Luke 2:10

> 1. While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tid- ings bro't an an- gel
> 2. There shall be born, so he did say, In Beth- le- hem a Child to -
> 3. There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall re- deem us
> 4. This Gift of God we'll cher- ish well, That ev- er joy our hearts shall

bright.
day.
all.
fill.

How great our joy! Great our joy! Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!

Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

TEXT: Traditional German carol
MUSIC: Traditional German melody; arranged by Hugo Jungst

Optional transition to "Joy to the World!"