Theme: In Christmas Carols we look at biblical texts that underlie the great themes of our most beloved Christmas Carols - themes of hope, peace, love and joy.

I. The Prophet's Song of Hope

- A. Theme: The prophets spoke of the Messiah who would come to restore the hope of God's people.
- B. Text: Isaiah 42:1-4
- C. Response: Prayer and Water Baptism
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:13

II. The Angels' Song of Peace

- A. Theme: The angels' song announced that Christ had come to bring glory to God and peace to the people of earth.
- B. Text: Luke 2:13-14
- C. Response: Angles We Have Heard On High
- D. Benediction: 2 Thessalonians 3:16

III. God's Song of Love

- A. Theme: Because of the coming of Christ, God is with us, delivering us from our enemies and saving us from our sins, as He delights in us and sings His song of love over us.
- B. Text: Zephaniah 3:14-17
- C. Response: Hark the Herald Angels Sing!
- D. Benediction: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

IV. Our Song of Joy

- A. Theme: Because of the coming of Christ, God is with us, delivering us from our enemies and saving us from our sins, as He delights in us and sings His song of love over us.
- B. Text: Luke 2:9-12
- C. Response: Joy To the World
- D. Benediction: Psalm 4:6-7

Christmas Carols - Series Outline Advent 2013 1 Follow the way of love and eagerly desire spiritual gifts, especially the gift of prophecy. 2For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God. Indeed, no one understands him; he utters mysteries with his spirit. 3 But everyone who prophesies speaks to men for their strengthening, encouragement and comfort. 4 He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. 5 I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would rather have you prophesy. He who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be edified. 1 Corinthians 14:1-5