

the

# song of the manger

Christmas Eve

(Candle - Salvation)

**Song:** “Babe in the Straw” - Caedmon’s Call  
(Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus, Vamp), or  
“Welcome to our World” - Chris Rice  
(Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3, Vamp)

**Reading:**

**Voice 1:** We look at the manger tonight and are reminded that this lowly trough held our hope,

**Voice 2:** ignited our faith,

**Voice 3:** cradled our joy,

**Voice 4:** and embraced us with God’s love.

**Voice 1:** This rough beginning was a picture of the price he would pay for each one of us.

**Voice 2:** The song of the manger isn’t just an old story that we tell once a year.

**Voice 3:** It’s a living expression of what God offers us today.

**Voice 4:** The King of Glory came to a tiny manger, so he could offer each one of us salvation.

**Voice 1:** We light the fifth candle of advent to remind us that the manger held our Savior, and still sings of that salvation that is offered to us today.

**Song:** “Babe in the Straw” (pick-up at Verse 3 ‘Merciful One’ and sing to the end)

“Welcome to our World” (pick-up at Verse 4 and sing to the end)

**Staging Notes:** If four voices are not feasible, then use 2 voices  
Separate candle lighter to light candle on cue