

Advent Worship

“Christ Is Coming...Again!”

December 5, 2018



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE PRAYER 2, p. 164-166 LBW

L: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,

C: have mercy and hear us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

L: Show us your mercy, O Lord,

C. and grant us your salvation.

L: Clothe your ministers with righteousness.

C: Let your people sing with joy.

L: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

C: for only in you can we live in safety,

L: Lord, keep this nation under your care.

C: and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

L: Let your way be known upon earth;

C: your saving health among all nations.

L: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten,

C: nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

L: Create in us clean hearts, O God,

C: and sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN—(#34 LBW Vs. 1,3,4)-"Oh, Come, Oh, Come, *Emmanuel*"

1) Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.**

3) Oh, come, strong Branch of Jesse, free
your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save
and give them vict'ry o'er the grave. **Refrain**

4) Oh, come, blest Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by your advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight. **Refrain**

Isaiah 40:1-5

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. ² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. ³ A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵ Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Revelation 1:7-8

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Mark 13:32-37

³² "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴ It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵ Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶ or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷ And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

SKIT—"Ready or Not"

REFLECTION-Pastor Bob Stover

Hymn-(#31 LBW Vs. 1-2) *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

1) Wake, awake, for night is flying,
the watchmen on the heights are crying;
awake, Jerusalem, at last.

Midnight hears the welcome voices,
and at the thrilling cry rejoices:

"Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.

The bridegroom comes! Awake;
your lamps with gladness take!"

Alleluia!

Prepare yourselves to meet the Lord,
whose light has stirred the waiting guard.

2) Zion hears the watchmen singing,
and in her heart new joy is springing.
She wakes, she rises from her gloom,
for her Lord comes down all-glorious,
the strong in grace, in truth victorious.

Her star is ris'n; her light is come.

Oh, come, you Blessed One,

Lord Jesus, God's own Son.

Sing hosanna!

We go until the halls we view

where you have bid us dine with you.

FINAL PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son,
that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all
our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us
from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our
bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us,
that the wicked one have no power over us. **Amen**

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen

**Thank you to Brian Johnson, Holly Reipke and Paul Meium for
presenting tonight's Advent skit.**

A light meal will be served after this evening's Advent service, with a free-
will donation. Thank you to the TIM Team for serving tonight's meal.

December 12th-"And There Was Light! Emmanuel!"- A Choral Reading by the
Praise Singers. Dinner will be served by California Mission Trip 2019.

December 19th-"Silent Night, Holy Night"-The Nativity Scene comes alive.
Dinner will be served by PRAISE Choir.