

November 27, 2022

Advent 1 Communion Service

For this service, Christ Church is using ACNA 1552 Order & BCP 2019.

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Welcome to Advent 2022

Happy New Year! Once again it seems strange in our culture to wish one another Happy New Year on November 27th, but that is exactly what happens, all over the globe, as Christians enter the season of Advent. Advent means “coming”. It is a season of preparation and, as such, is the beginning of the Church’s year. We are preparing our hearts for the proper celebration of Christmas; that God has arrived as our “Rescuer” in the person of Jesus. We are at the same time simultaneously preparing for His second coming, another “Advent”, where He will complete the Kingdom that he inaugurated upon His first advent.

This year, we will spend the Advent season in the Year “A” New Testament passages in the Lectionary. By looking into these Letters of the Apostle Paul, we can maintain an expectant perspective in our day, as well as a hopeful one.

Welcome to Advent 2022 dear Christ Church family. As we begin our journey, may this year be filled with authentic Holy Spirit transformation, in each and every one of our lives.

Yours in Jesus alone,
Gene

Welcome

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light: forgive us when we return to darkness.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world: cleanse and heal our blinded sight.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Holy Spirit, you give us light in our hearts: renew us in faith and love.

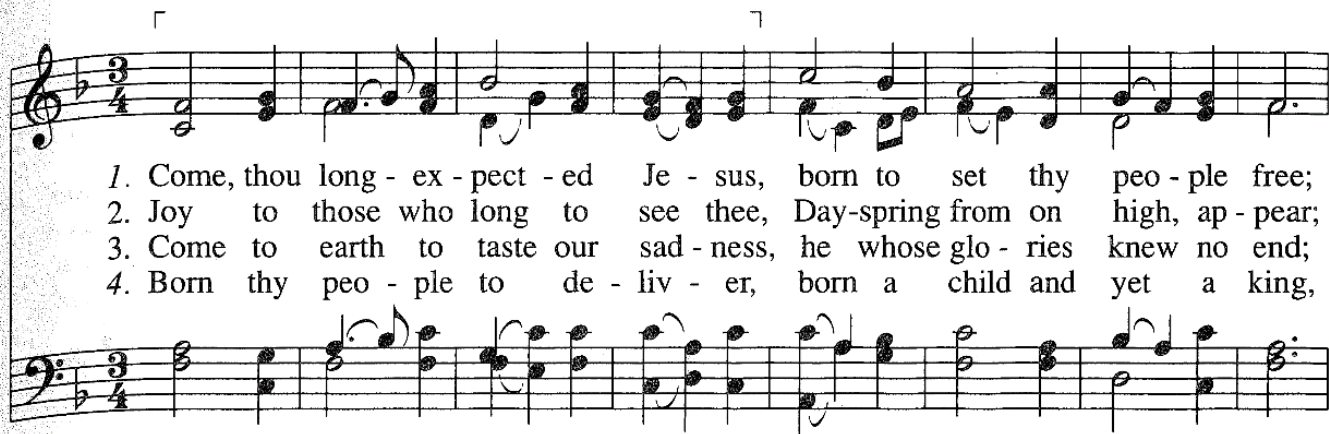
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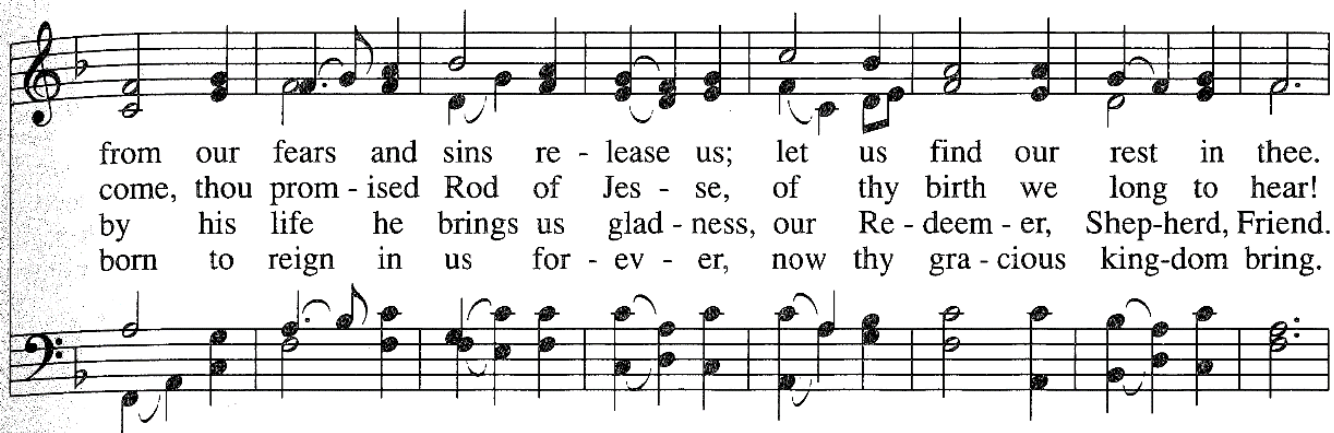
Almighty God, *who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

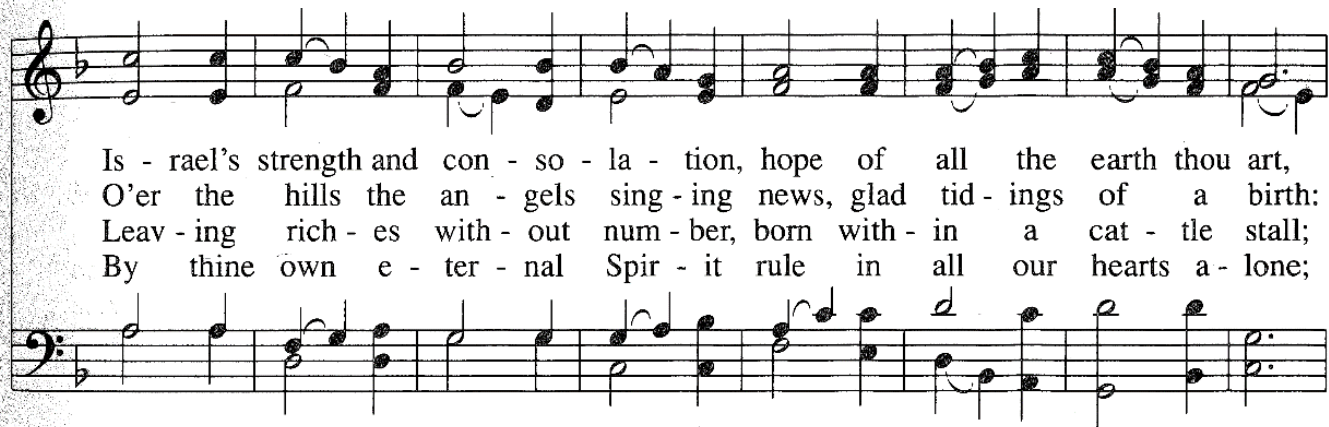
#196, Trinity Hymnal



1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Day-spring from on high, ap - pear;
 3. Come to earth to taste our sad - ness, he whose glo - ries knew no end;
 4. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
 come, thou prom - ised Rod of Jes - se, of thy birth we long to hear!
 by his life he brings us glad - ness, our Re - deem - er, Shep-herd, Friend.
 born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king-dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
 O'er the hills the an - gels sing - ing news, glad tid - ings of a birth:
 Leav - ing rich - es with - out num - ber, born with - in a cat - tle stall;
 By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 "Go to him, your prais - es bring - ing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."
 this the ev - er - last - ing won - der, Christ was born the Lord of all.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

St. 1, 4 Charles Wesley, 1744 | St. 2-3, Mark E. Hunt, 1978, Text of stanzas 2 & 3 © 1978, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. Used with permission.

Surely the Lord is coming soon,

Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

Revelation 22:20

Almighty God, *to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Decalogue (Ten Commandments)

God spoke these words and said:

1. I am the LORD your God; you shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth below, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them.
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
Lord, have mercy on us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts.

Trisagion

solo mp

Ho - ly God.

5 Ho - ly and might - y. Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, Have

9 mer - cy, have mer - cy, on us.

13 Ho - ly God. Ho - ly and might - y.

17 Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy, have mer - cy, on

21 us. Ho - ly God. *mf*

25 Ho - ly and might - y. Ho - ly im - mor - tal One, Have

29 mer - cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy. Have *mp*

33 mer - cy, have mer - cy, on us.

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The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, ***give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. (*This collect is to be said daily during Advent until Christmas Eve.)***

The 1st Lesson for today is from the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 2, beginning with the 1st verse.

The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 2: 1 – 5

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

In response to the reading, the Psalm selected for today is Psalm 122 beginning with the 1st verse. Please pray responsively by half verse.

Psalm 122

1. I was glad when they said unto me,*

“We will go into the house of the Lord.”

2. Now our feet are standing*
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
3. Jerusalem is built as a city*
that is at unity in itself.
4. For there the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord,*
as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.
5. For there is the throne of judgment,*
even the throne of the house of David.
6. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem;*
they shall prosper that love you.
7. Peace be within your walls*
and plenteousness within your palaces.
8. For my brethren and companions' sakes,*
I will wish you prosperity.
9. Indeed, because of the house of the Lord our God,*
I will seek to do you good.

The Epistle for today is from the Book of Romans, Chapter 13, beginning with the 8th verse.

The Epistle

Romans 13:8 – 14

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Hymn 56, v 1

Verse 1

O come, O 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 thee, O Israel!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.; Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890); acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937); Copyright: Words: © The Church Pension Fund

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Matthew 24:19 – 44

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Verse 2

O come, thou wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.

*Refrain**Refrain*

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

The Sermon

Rev. Gene Sherman

“Nearer Now Than When We First Believed”

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with confidence before our maker and redeemer.

The people sit or remain standing.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That God may establish among the nations his scepter of righteousness;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures and recognize him in the breaking of the bread;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That God may bind up the brokenhearted, restore the sick and raise up all who have fallen;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the light of God's coming may dawn on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

That, with all the saints in light, we may shine forth as lights for the world;

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us commend the world, which Christ will judge, to the mercy and protection of God. ***Amen.***

THE EXHORTATION

The Confession and Absolution

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Almighty and most merciful Father, ***we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Hear the words of assurance and encouragement our Savior Christ speaks to all who truly turn to him:

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

1 Timothy 1:15 ESV

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements / Building Update / Birthdays / Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Kim Sherman	11/28	Vickie Stephenson	11/29
RJ Middlemiss	11/29	Jim Henley	12/1

Anniversaries:

Bob & Carroll Middlemiss	11/30 (48 years)
Jim & Vickie Stevenson	11/30 (54 years)

Question for Week 49

The New City Catechism

Where is Christ Now?

Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of the Father, ruling his kingdom and interceding for us, until he returns to judge and renew the whole world.

(Ephesians 1:20-21)

That he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

Offertory

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

Boswell, Papa, Townend, Getty

Verse 1

Sing we the song of Emmanuel,
This, the Christ who was long foretold.
Lo, in the shadows of Bethlehem,
Promise of dawn now our eyes behold.

Chorus 1

God Most High, in a manger laid.
Lift your voices and now proclaim,
“Great and glorious, love has come to us.”
Join now with the hosts of heaven.

Verse 2

Come we to welcome Emmanuel,
King who came with no crown or throne.
Helpless, He lay, the Invincible.
Maker of Mary, now Mary’s son.

Chorus 2

O, what wisdom to save us all.
Shepherds, sages before Him fall.
Grace and majesty, what humility,
Come on bended knee, adore Him.

Bridge 2X

Gloria. Gloria.
Gloria. Gloria.

Verse 3

Go spread the news of Emmanuel.
Joy and peace for the weary heart.
Lift up your heads for your King has come.
Sing, for the Light overwhelms the dark.

Chorus 3 (2X)

Glory shining for all to see.
Hope alive, let the gospel ring.
God has made a way.
He will have the praise.
Tell the world His name is Jesus

Bridge 2X

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Please stand.

Doxology

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymn 390, v 4

Praise to the Lord!
O, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen, sound from his people again,
Gladly forever adore him.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

We rejoice in him as is right and required.

Scripture teaches us always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the saints in heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, forever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are,
full of your glory,
Holy is your name,

Chorus

Hosanna in the highest. 3X
(*Women Sing*) Hosanna 3X

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord,
God of power and might,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

All praise and glory belong to you, God our heavenly Father, because of your tender mercy you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, offering, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, and grant that we, receiving this bread and wine according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." ***Amen.***

Communion Music

Behold the Lamb of God

Peterson & Story

VERSE 1

5 *mp a tempo* D G2 D D/G Asus A Bm G2

We who walk in dark-ness deep now see the light of morn - ing. The Might - y God, the

10 Asus D/F# G2 D/A Asus A D Em7(4) D/F#

Prince _ of Peace, a Child to us is born. Be - hold the Lamb of God Who

15 G2 Asus A D Em7(4) D/F# G2

takes a - way our sin. Be - hold the Lamb of God, the Life and Light of

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Rock of Ages

James Ward

1. Rock of Ag - es, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy — law's de-mands,
3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy — cross I cling;

let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy wound - ed side which flowed,
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and —
all for sin could not a - tone, thou must save and thou a —
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I —

17 1, 2. G C/D D7 3. G Eb **VERSE 4** Ab

power. lone. die. 4. While I draw this

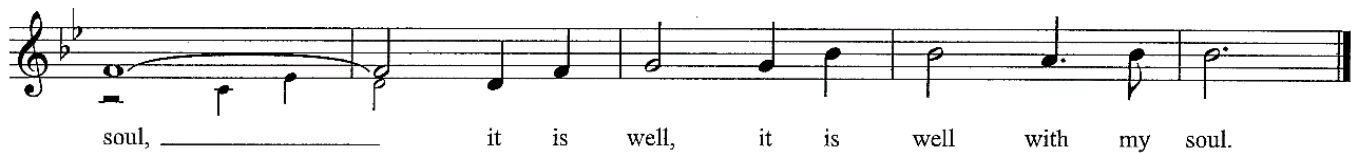
fleet - ing breath, when my eye - lids _ close in death, when I soar to
 worlds un-known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne, rock of ag - es,
 cleft for me, let me hide my -
 -self in _ _ _ _ _ thee. _ _ _ _ _

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It is Well with My Soul

Spafford & Bliss

1. When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2. Tho' Sa - tan should buf - fet, tho' tri - als should come, let
 3. My sin- O, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous tho't- my
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith _ shall be sight, the
 sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; What - ev - er my
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol; That Christ hath re -
 sin- not in part, but the whole; Is nailed to the
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The trump shall re -
 lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is
 -gard - ed my help - less es - tate, and hath shed His own
 cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the
 -sound and the Lord shall de - scend, "E - ven so"- it is
 well with my soul." It is well _ _ _ _ _ with my
 blood for my soul.
 Lord, O my soul!
 well with my soul."



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Song of Celebration

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

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Verse 1

Sing we the song of Emmanuel,
This, the Christ who was long foretold.
Lo, in the shadows of Bethlehem,
Promise of dawn now our eyes behold.

Chorus 1

God Most High, in a manger laid.
Lift your voices and now proclaim,
“Great and glorious, love has come to us.”
Join now with the hosts of heaven.

Verse 2

Come we to welcome Emmanuel,
King who came with no crown or throne.
Helpless, He lay, the Invincible.
Maker of Mary, now Mary’s son.

Chorus 2

O, what wisdom to save us all.
Shepherds sages before Him fall.
Grace and majesty, what humility,
Come on bended knee, adore Him.

Bridge 2X

Gloria. Gloria.
Gloria. Gloria.

Verse 3

Go spread the news of Emmanuel.
Joy and peace for the weary heart.
Lift up your heads for your King has come.
Sing, for the Light overwhelms the dark.

Chorus 3 (2X)

Glory shining for all to see.

Hope alive, let the gospel ring.

God has made a way.

He will have the praise.

Tell the world His name is Jesus

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Let us pray.

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.

O Lord and heavenly Father, we your humble servants entirely desire your fatherly goodness to mercifully accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice; humbly pleading, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly blessing.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this, the duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him, and with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory to you, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

The people respond: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Hymn 57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Helmsley, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778);
 harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominations for Vestry – Quality elders are one of the keys to a healthy church. Forms are available in the narthex and should be returned by **December 1st** to one of the vestry members listed on the nomination form. Interviews will be conducted in early December.

CCW Annual Holiday Ladies Luncheon – Please join us on **Saturday, December 3rd** at The Ahern Banquet Center (726 Avon Belden Rd., Avon Lake, OH), from **noon to 2:30 pm**. Our guest speaker will be Sue Hill! The menu includes salad, rolls & butter, your choice of Chicken Piccata, Grilled Salmon w/creamy dill sauce on the side or Vegetable Lasagna, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, dessert, and coffee, tea, or iced tea. The cost is \$30.00 per person. When registering, please make sure to include your entrée. **The deadline for registration is Monday, November 28th**. Make sure to invite a friend or two or three! Scholarships are available upon request. Please contact Iris Neel with any questions or concerns.

Let's Go Caroling Together – Please join us on **Sunday, December 4th** from 2:00-3:00 pm at the Avon Lake Public Library! Calling all volunteers who like to sing Christmas carols to meet us the library at 1:50 pm for an hour filled with joy! Please contact Gene with any questions.

Angel Tree – **The deadline for all donations is Sunday, December 4th**. Please do not purchase Giant Eagle gift cards for the children. Also, this year we are collecting new socks and scarves for adults and children. There will be a basket placed in the reception area to collect these items for CRS and Santa's Workshop. Please contact Marie Tench at 216-870-1682 with any questions or for pick up.

Poinsettias for 2022 Christmas Services – The donation forms are available in the narthex and **the last day for signing up is Sunday, Dec. 18th**. The suggested offering is \$10 and may be given in memory of a loved one or as a thank offering. If you would like to order them online, please send an email to the office or contact Iris directly at 847-404-6335.

Volunteers for Adult Choir Needed – Singers interested in joining the adult choir to sing on Christmas Eve at the 2nd service, please come on 12/4, 12/11 and 12/18 right after the 10:30 service. To learn the music, be proficient with the words and have the best blend of voices, it's important to come to as many rehearsals as possible. Rehearsals will not be long. Please call Lisa Kurak at 440-552-8335 with any questions or concerns.

Gifts for Our Senior Saints – We are remembering our senior saints this Christmas with a gift bag from our church family. If you wish to donate, please write "Senior Saint gifts" on memo line on your check. The bags will be ready on **Sunday, December 4th** and we would appreciate your help delivering them. For more information, please contact Iris at the church office, Jane Godfray (440) 476-8152, or Peggy Joyce (216) 225-8180. Thank you!

CONSECRATION OF CHRIST CHURCH WESTSHORE – On **Saturday, December 17, 2022**, at noon, Bishop Mark Engel will consecrate the building and property at 726 Avon Belden Road, Avon Lake to the glory of God and as the new home of Christ Church Westshore. Following the service there will be a reception to celebrate this milestone in our congregation's history as we approach our 75th anniversary year. Please plan to join us on this joyous occasion.



Sermon Text: Romans 13:8 – 14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.



Giving

**The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God
by Bob & Carroll Middlemiss
In celebration of RJ's 7th birthday
On November 29th &
For all of God's blessings!**

2022 Financials

Through Sunday	11/20/2022
Current Month Budget	\$29,250
Current Month Actual	\$29,447
YTD Budget	\$366,250
YTD Actual	\$366,814
Annual 2022 Budget	\$430,000

Attendance for 11/20/2022

8:00 am — 20

10:30 am — 86

Wednesday — 15

Online — 56