

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

November 27, 2022, 9:00 a.m. West and 11:00 a.m. Downtown

PRELUDE *Sleepers Awake, a Voice is Calling* J. S. Bach

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Blest Be the God of Israel* #209

Blest be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free;
Who visits and redeems us, who grants us liberty.
The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;
God shall fulfill that promise and bring the people peace.

God from the house of David a child of grace has given;
A Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven.
Before Him goes the herald, forerunner in the way,
The prophet of salvation the harbinger of day.

On those who sit in darkness the sun begins to rise,
The dawning of forgiveness upon the sinner's eyes.
God guides the feet of pilgrims along the paths of peace.
O bless our God and Savior with songs that ever cease.

WELCOME 9:00 Pastor Lance Richards
11:00 Dr. Brant Wallace

CAROL OF WELCOME *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #211

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
And order all things far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go.

Repeat Refrain

O come, O come, great Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times once gave the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.

Repeat Refrain

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH - HOPE

9:00 Byrom Wehner

11:00 Ann Bradford and Mary Horst

SUNG RESPONSE *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #211

O come, Thou Hope of Nations, come,
And open wide our heavenly home.
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH – MISSIONS VIDEO

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD 9:00 Pastor Lance Richards
11:00 Dr. Brant Wallace

MINISTRY IN MUSIC *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* arr. Jay Rouse
Sanctuary Choir

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming, as saints of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half-spent was the night.
Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind;
With Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright, she bore to us a Savior, when half-spent was the night.
Of the Father's love begotten, ere the world began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending He, of things that are,
That have been and that future years shall see, evermore!
Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung.
Evermore and evermore!*

OFFERING RESPONSE *O Little Town of Bethlehem* 230

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given;
So God imparts to human hearts the blessing of His heaven.
No ear can hear His coming, so in this world of sin;
Where meek souls will receive Him, still, the dear Christ enters in.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 9:00 Pastor Lance Richards
11:00 Dr. Brant Wallace

Apostles' Creed #881
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and

sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA *Angels We Have Heard On High* #238
Refrain
Gloria, in excelsis Deo;
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VIDEO Courtney Hutchins and Mandy Jones

CAROL OF PREPARATION *Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light* #223
Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, and usher in the morning;
O shepherds, shrink not with affright, but hear the angel's warning.
This child, now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be,
The power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

SCRIPTURE Pastor Amanda Davis
Luke 1:(57-66) 67-80
The Word of God for us, the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Pastor Amanda Davis
Blest Be the God of Israel (Zechariah's Song)

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Amanda Davis

THE LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Amanda Davis

INVITATION TO THE ALTAR Pastor Amanda Davis

CAROL OF HOPE AND REMEMBRANCE *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* #206
I want to walk as a child of the light,
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain
In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine of my path,
And show me the way to the Father.

Repeat Refrain

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus.

Repeat Refrain

BENEDICTION Pastor Amanda Davis

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *O Come, all Ye Faithful* #234
O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

Refrain
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* arr. Virgil Fox

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