

FIRST SUNDAY OF
Advent

11 A.M. NOVEMBER 29, 2020



Brookview
BAPTIST CHURCH

◆ The Advent Procession ◆

INTROIT

ADVENT PROSE

DROP DOWN, YE HEAVENS, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. *Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity forever: thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee. DROP DOWN... Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, my salvation shall not tarry: I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save thee: For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.* cf. Isaiah

OPENING SENTENCE

Romans 13:11

NOW IS THE TIME to wake out of sleep, for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on
 3. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se, free Thine own from Sa - tan's
 4. O come, Thou Day - spring, come and cheer Our spir - its by Thine
 5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come And o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here Un -
 Si - nai's height, In an - cient times didst give the law In
 tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell Thy peo - ple save And
 ad - vent here; O drive a - way the shades of night And
 heav'n - ly home Where all Thy saints with Thee shall dwell - O

Refrain

til the Son of God ap - pear.
 cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! re - joice!
 pierce the clouds and bring us light.
 come, O come, Em - man - u - el!

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

ACCLAMATION AT THE ADVENT WREATH

Revelation 22:20

Leader Surely the Lord is coming soon.

All Amen! Come Lord Jesus!

[Tune: *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*]

Lo, **h**e comes with clouds descending, once for favored sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia! Alleluia! God appears on earth to reign.

- 2 Ev'ry eye shall now behold Him, robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at naught and sold Him, pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.
- 3 Those dear tokens of His Passion still His dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation to His ransomed worshipers.
With what rapture, with what rapture, gaze we on those glorious scars.
- 4 Now redemption, long expected, see in solemn pomp appear;
all His saints, by man rejected, now shall meet Him in the air:
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the day of God appear.
- 5 Yea, amen! Let all adore Thee, high on Thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the pow'r and glory, claim the kingdom for Thine own:
Oh, come quickly! Oh, come quickly! Everlasting God, come down.

OPENING PRAYER

◆ The Service of the Word ◆

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!
³ When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴ From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. ⁵ You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? ⁶ We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷ There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. ⁸ But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹ Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

THE PSALTER

Listen prayerfully.

ADAPTED FROM ISAAC WATTS

The Church's Prayer under Affliction (Psalm 80)

Remember, you planted with your hands a lovely vine in this fair land.
You let your pow'r defend it round, and heav'nly dew enrich the ground.

Return, almighty God, return, don't let your bleeding vineyard mourn.
 Turn us to you—your love restore; we shall be saved, and sigh no more.
 Your church is in the desert now—guide us through.
 Shine on us, we shall be saved. We turn to you.

Stir up your might, O God return, don't let your bleeding vineyard mourn.
 Stir up your might—your love restore; we shall be saved, and sigh no more.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL CAROL

Joy to the World!

ANTIOCH

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2. Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in -
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him room,
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
 fest the ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of His right - eous - ness,

And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
 Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
 Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
 And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

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JESUS SAID. “But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷ And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸ From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰ Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³² But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Be on guard, keep awake. 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 servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵ Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning—³⁶ lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷ And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

SERMON

Brother Joseph Payton

◆ **The Sending Forth** ◆

HYMN OF RENEWAL *O Little Town of Bethlehem* [vv. 3-4]

ST. LOUIS

HOW SILENTLY, HOW SILENTLY the wondrous gift is giv'n!
 So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heav'n.
 No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
 where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.
⁴ O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray;
 cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.
 We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
 O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Church; the nation; the world; the community; the suffering; the lost; the bereaved

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Leader Our Lord says, “I am coming soon.”

All Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Leader May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

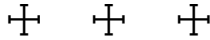
All Amen.

DISMISSAL CHORUS

Wait for the Lord

TAIZÉⁱ

WAIT FOR THE LORD, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord; keep watch, take heart!



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