

Morning Worship Sunday 27th November 2022

We come from scattered lives to meet with God. Let us recognize his presence with us. *Silence is kept.*

As God's people we have gathered:

let us worship him together.

Loving God, we have come to worship you.

Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing your praise with gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; through Christ our Lord. Amen

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O COME, O COME, IMMANUEL,

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

> Rejoice, rejoice! Immanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, Thou Lord of might Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the

law

In cloud, and majesty, and awe.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny;

From depths of hell Thy people save

And give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer

Our spirits by Thine advent here;

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,

And death's dark shadows put to flight.

O come, Thou Key of David, come And open wide our heavenly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery. Tr. John Mason Neale,

altd.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, 2

- with all your soul, with all your mind,
- and with all your strength.'
- The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
- There is no other
 - commandment greater than these.
- All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

God of mercy, we

acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive *us our* sins and make *us* holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Announces that the Lord is nigh

Awake and hearken for he brings Glad tidings of the King of kings

Then cleansed be ev'ry breast from sin Make straight the way for God within Prepare we in our hearts a home Where such a mighty guest may come

For thou art our salvation Lord Our refuge and our great reward Without thy grace we waste away

Like flow'rs that wither and decay

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand And bid the fallen sinner stand Shine forth and let thy light restore Earth's own true loveliness

once more

All praise eternal Son to thee Whose advent doth thy people free Whom with the Father we 3 adore And Holy Ghost for evermore *Charles Coffin*

Bible Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-end, Psalm122

Talk

SoF154 HARK THE GLAD SOUND! The Saviour comes, The Saviour promised long; Let every heart prepare a throne, And every voice a song.

He comes the prisoners to release,

In Satan's bondage held; The gates of brass before Him burst,

The iron fetters yield.

He comes the broken heart to bind,

The bleeding soul to cure, And with the treasures of His grace

To enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,

Thy welcome shall proclaim;

And heaven's eternal arches ring With Thy belovèd name

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God. Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayers

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. 4

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's Strength and Consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a King, Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all-sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne. *Charles Wesley*

Almighty God,
we thank you for the gift of your holy word.
May it be a lantern to our feet, a light to our paths,
and a strength to our lives.
Take us and use us to love and serve in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Lord bless you and watch over you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

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