

FROM
GENERATION
TO GENERATION...



God meets us in our fear

First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2022
9:30am Worship



Hearing assisted devices are available at the sound booth.

GATHERING SONG

Instrumental

WELCOME & GREETING

Please stand as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

During this season of Advent, God reminds us that

From Generation to Generation, we have been claimed and loved.

From Generation to Generation, God has been by our side.

From Generation to Generation, we are not alone.

The God of yesterday, today, tomorrow, and forever knows you by name.

God loves us, and calls us to Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy.

We worship our God of Peace.

Amen.

OPENING SONG

"He Brings Peace"

CCLI# 807398

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.... God of manger and star,

let us enter your story once again and find ourselves kneeling with the shepherds, singing with the angels, and worshipping with the Magi. Touch our hearts with the wonder of birth, and the depths of your love. Speak to us in word and song and lift us to the realms of glory. Amen.

Please be seated.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

PARAMENTS – ISAIAH 40:3-5

ADVENT WREATH – JEREMIAH 23:5-6

O God...

you hold us in our waiting, and you show up in our lives at unexpected times. Bless us as we light this candle to keep vigil for your arrival. We trust that even though we do not know when you are coming again, you are working to gather all people through your Peace. Amen.

(One candle on Advent wreath is lit.)

SONG *“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” (instrumental)* **ELW 254**

WREATHS AND GARLANDS – ISAIAH 9:2, 6-7

SONG *“Messiah”* **CCLI# 1454269**

POINSETTIA/CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – 1 SAMUEL 16:7

ANGELS – LUKE 1:26-38

SONG *“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came” vs. 1 & 3* **ELW 265**

MANGER – LUKE 2:6-7

EVERGREEN TREE – JOHN 1:1-5, 9-14

SONG *“Love Came Down to Bethlehem”* **CCLI# 7121448**

OFFERING PRAYER

Eternal God, from generation to generation, you have brought good news of love and compassion, justice and community. Receive now our simple gifts, and make us messengers of your hope, peace, love, and joy, to all the world. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – ADVENT CREED

We believe in God the Father, creator of heaven and earth.

The one who is full of patience, who is not afraid of silence,
who does not need to fill each moment with activity and noise.

The one who is beyond bluster and flurry,
and who does not jostle for attention.

We believe in God the Son, Saviour of creation,

who slipped into Bethlehem one night, mostly unnoticed,

who lived thirty years without headlines or hurry,
who frequently took time alone with his patient Father,
who waited for the right time to become the suffering servant,
who stood quietly before the noise of his accusers,
whose silence overpowered their words,
who died, then rose again on a quiet Sunday morning.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,

who strengthens, empowers, renews and refreshes,
sometimes arriving with obvious power,
sometimes with the quiet breath of a whisper.

We believe in one God who patiently waits for us,
and who longs for us to do the same.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for peace.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of longing, you know our deepest needs, and you have promised to always be with us. So, we give our fears and concerns to you, trusting that you will hold them tenderly, just as you hold us. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

At this time, we will prepare hearts to receive the gift of Holy Communion.

If you will be staying in your seat for communion today, please bring out your pre-sealed communion cups at this time, or for those of you who are online you can bring out any bread and juice/wine, so we can bless the elements together.

WORD'S OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated as we share the gift of communion, remember that ALL are welcome to the table.

The Pastor will share with you the options for receiving communion today.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Even as we watch and wait, Christ is already here.

Come to the table, all is now prepared.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION VIDEO

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and abundant God, you have done great things for us, and we rejoice. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Stand as you are able.

BLESSING

Go forth from this place an awakened people, aware of the world's darkness, yet reaching for the light.

We see God at work in our world, and that makes all the difference.

Go forth from this place an expectant people, conscious of judgment in our midst, yet welcoming God's new order and justice.

We welcome God's new day, believing that Christ will set us free.

Go forth from this place a serving people, sensing anew the pain so many bear, yet confident God will bring healing, even through you.

We open ourselves as channels of God's grace, for we have heard good news and we have been empowered to share it.

May the God of peace be with us all, this season and forever.

Amen and Amen.

SENDING SONG

"Glory(Let There Be Peace)"

CCLI# 7071972

SENDING

Go in peace, as we share the Resurrection by:

Loving Jesus, Changing Lives, and Reaching Out to Serve. Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE

We look forward to you and/or your family joining us next week:

8am & 10am - In Person Worship

9:15am - Sunday School

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He Brings Peace

Verse

What can a Baby do in this world
It seems so out of control
What can this tiny Baby of God
Bring to a world dark and cold

Chorus

He brings peace, he brings love, he brings hope to a world in need.
He brings peace, he brings love, he brings victory,
And his hope calms our fear, and his love never ends.
He brings peace, hope, love and victory.

Verse

What can this child alone in this world
Do to correct what is wrong?
God in our flesh became one of us
If we believe, we will know.

Chorus

He brings peace, he brings love, he brings hope to a world in need.
He brings peace, he brings love, he brings victory,
And his hope calms our fear, and his love never ends.
He brings peace, hope, love and victory.
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Messiah

Verse 1

Someone's shouting from the desert
Someone's shouting from the sea
Someone's shouting from the mountain
Someone's shouting from the valley

Chorus

Messiah
Come and be our King
Messiah
Come and be our King

Verse 2

Someone's shouting from the city
I am young I am cold
Someone's shouting from the country
I am lonely I am old

Chorus

Messiah
Come and be our King
Messiah
Come and be our King

Verse 3

Someone's shouting I am broken
Someone's shouting make me whole
Someone's shouting come and change me
Someone's shouting save my soul

Chorus (3X)

Messiah
Come and be our King
Messiah
Come and be our King

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The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
 2 "For know a bless - ed moth - er thou shalt be,
 3 Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head;
 4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born



with wings as drift - ed snow, with eyes as flame:
 all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee;
 "To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said.
 in Beth - le - hem all on a Christ - mas morn,



"All hail to thee, O low - ly maid - en Mar - y,
 thy son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
 "My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy God's ho - ly name."
 and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say:



most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."
 most high - ly fa - vored la - dy." Glo - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy,
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."

Text: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924
 Music: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE, Basque carol

Love Came Down To Bethlehem

Verse

Love came down to Bethlehem
While the world was sleeping
Love came down to make amends
For all creation's weeping

Pre-Chorus

He that sang the stars to life
He the Word became a cry

Chorus 1

Rejoice Rejoice
Glory to God hallelujah
Gloria

Verse

King of heaven's high estate
Child in lowly manger
His the priv'lege to forsake
To welcome in the stranger

Pre-Chorus

Born to heal the bonds of men
Born that we'd be born again

Chorus 2

Rejoice rejoice
Glory to God hallelujah
Heaven and nature singing together
Glory to God hallelujah
Gloria Gloria

Pre-Chorus

Born to heal the bonds of men
Born that we'd be born again

Chorus 3

Rejoice rejoice
Glory to God hallelujah
Heaven and nature singing together
Glory to God hallelujah
Heaven and nature angels and shepherds
Wise men and beggars praise to the Savior
Forever and ever gloria
Gloria Gloria

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Glory (Let There Be Peace)

Verse 1

One star
Burns in the darkness
Shines with the promise Emmanuel
One child
Born in the stillness
Now and forever Emmanuel

Chorus

We're singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let there be peace
Singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let it start in me

Verse 2

One voice
Speaks for the voiceless
Hope for the hopeless Emmanuel
One love
Brings us together
Now and forever Emmanuel

Chorus

Bridge (twice)

Do not be afraid
His love is strong enough to save us
Nothing stands in the way
His love is strong enough to lead us

Singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let there be peace
Singing Glory Glory
Let there be peace let it start with me
Let there be peace let it start with me

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for peace.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we know that you are here, for you never leave us. Like a protective mother hen, you carry us with you. So today, we ask that you would fill our hearts with your peace. For these days, God, we have much to fear. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, You give us a vision of creation in harmony, when hurting and destruction will be no more. Teach us to be stewards of the earth and companions to its creatures. Restore to balance and wholeness what human greed has harmed. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, You deliver those in need from suffering and fear. Come to the aid of any who are exploited or abused, especially children, elders, and victims of human trafficking. Provide safety and help to our neighbors without shelter, and those fleeing violence. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, you urge us to welcome one another as you have welcomed us. We pray for those who are homebound, hospitalized, separated from loved ones, or struggling, *especially Joyce, Barb, Mardell, Shirley, Pastor Kara, Marcia, Sandy, Doris, Mark, Sandy, and Jim.* Empower us to share your peace with our neighbors. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, you embrace all who have died trusting in your promises, and we give thanks for their faithful witness. Sustain us in hope until we are united with them in the joy of your eternal presence. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of our longing, you know our deepest needs, and you have promised to always be with us. So, we give our fears and concerns to you, trusting that you will hold them tenderly, just as you hold us. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.