

CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 27, 2022

Revised Common Lectionary Readings
First Sunday of Advent
Year A

[Isaiah 2:1-5](#)
[Psalm 122](#)
[Romans 13:11-14](#)
[Matthew 24:36-44](#)

Prelude

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Sung Call to Worship

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 1)

*"O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!"*

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Children's Sunday School Class

Leader: Faithful God, renew in us expectant hope, that we may be alert to Christ's advent among us.

People: **Come! Let us walk in the light of the Lord!**

*Greeting One Another and the Preparation of the Sanctuary

May the Hope of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*Hymn (The Presbyterian Hymnal #8)

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Confession

Isaiah 2:1-5

"In the days to come...The Lord shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords in to plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!"

God of what was, what is, and what shall be, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace.

In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world.

(Silent Confession)

adapted from Book of Common Worship (PC(USA))

Assurance and Gloria Patri

Romans 13:11

"...you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now..."

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, amen.

Time with the Children

Scripture and Sermon

Time to Wait

Matthew 24:36-44

[Romans 13:11-14](#)

***Hymn** (The Presbyterian Hymnal #6)

Jesus Comes with Clouds Descending

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed
(ecumenical)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

Christmas Joy Offering

Community Care Committee
Betty Conlon

Call for the Offering, Offertory, and **Doxology*

Psalm 122:9

"For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good."

Please prayerfully consider the time, talent, and resources you have been given, and how they can be offered back to God in love and service. If this includes making a financial offering to the church, you may mail your offering in to the church office, [or use our online giving option.](#)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** (The Presbyterian Hymnal #2)

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

***Charge and Benediction**

Congregational Response (Sung)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Refrain)

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Postlude

**Please stand in body or in spirit*