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Come and Worship the Lord

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Today's Lay Reader: Lynn Caterson

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Whoever you are, wherever you are, come!

People: As we begin the season of Advent, we seek hope.

Leader: From where does our hope come?

People: Our hope is in the name of the Lord!

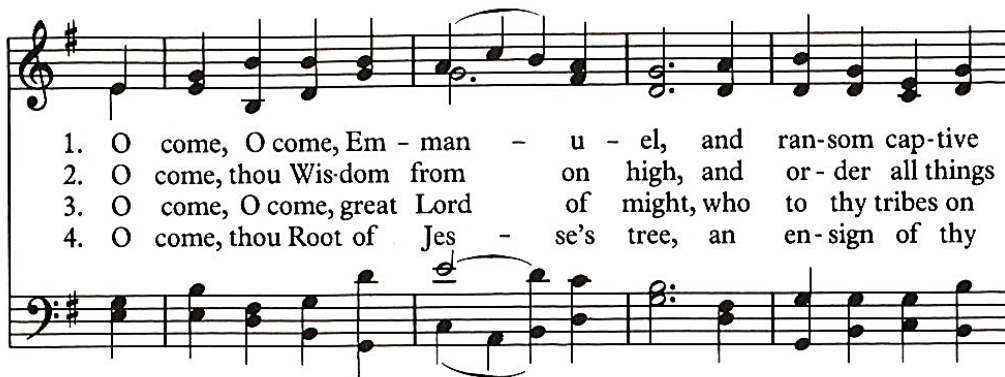
Prelude

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

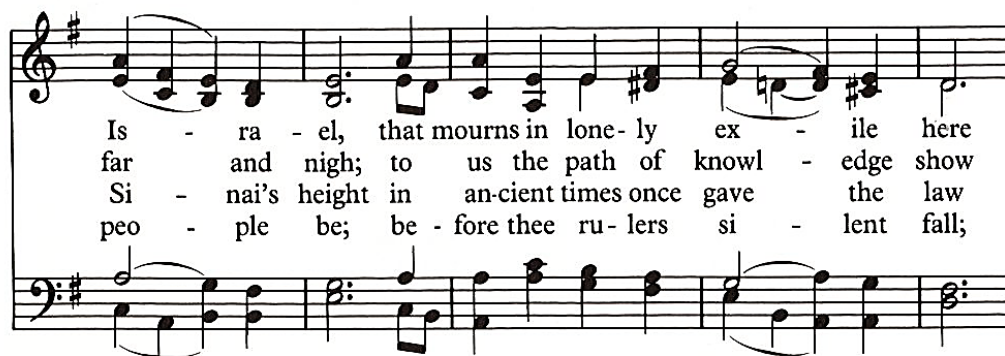
arr. Rex Koury

Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

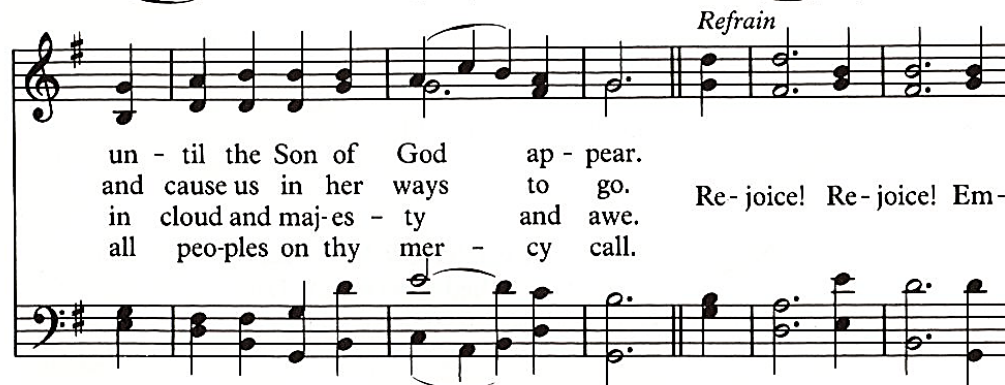


1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, and or - der all things
 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy tribes on
 4. O come, thou Root of Jes - se's tree, an en - sign of thy



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh; to us the path of knowl - edge show
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times once gave the law
 peo - ple be; be - fore thee ru - lers si - lent fall;

Refrain



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 and cause us in her ways to go. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 all peo - ples on thy mer - cy call.



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

Opening Prayer

Oh Lord our God, our hope is in you. You keep your promises. You protect us and guide us. You created us in your image and gave us our own special calling. You chose us to spread your good news, to reach out to the poor, to care for the sick, to be a friend to the lonely and to find those who are lost and bring them back to you. When things don't go our way, you are our hope and stay. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, that through us, your flock will be healthy and growing. Amen!

Lighting the Advent Candle

Brian and Melissa Southrey

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Chorus

All Hail King Jesus

(sing twice)

All Hail King Jesus! All hail Emmanuel,
King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star.
And throughout eternity, I'll sing your praises,
And I'll reign with You throughout eternity.

Senior Choir

How Will We Know Him?

Jay Althouse

Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-8

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name or attempts to take hold of you, for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: **Thanks be to God**

Message

When Everything is Wrong

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Watchman Tell Us of the Night

arr. James Mansfield

***Offertory Hymn**

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us,
His name is called Emmanuel.

Hymn

Send Your Word

1. Send your Word, O Lord, like the rain, fall - ing down up -
2. Send your Word, O Lord, like the wind, blow - ing down up -
3. Send your Word, O Lord, like the dew, com - ing gent - ly up -

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 2/2. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

on the earth. Send your Word. We seek your end - less grace,
on the earth. Send your Word. We seek your won - drous power,
on the hills. Send your Word. We seek your end - less love.

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with souls that hun-ger and thirst, sor-row and ag - o - nize.
 pure-ness that re-jects all sins, though they per - sist and cling.
 For life that suf-fers in strife with ad-ver - si - ties and hurts,

We would all be lost in dark with-out your guid-ing light.
 Bring us to com-plete vic - tory; set us all free in - deed.
 send your heal-ing power of love; we long for your new world.

Benediction

Postlude

O God Our Help in Ages Past

arr. Lani Smith

Christmas Pageant: December 4. **Choir Cantata:** December 18.

Holiday Worship Schedule:

- Christmas Eve: 5 PM (Contemporary Service in Great Hall) and 7 & 11 PM (Traditional Services in Sanctuary). Both are candlelight!
- Christmas Day and New Year's Day: 10 AM in Sanctuary

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