



ADVENT 2017

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SONGS FOR THE  
SAVIOR

TRINITY  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

# Order of Worship – Sunday, December 10, 2017

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## Celebrating the Season of Advent - 2017

*The earth holds its breath, waiting. Advent is a season of longing, a yearly representation in our church calendar of the eons of time spanning from the moment Eve took the first bite of the fruit until that starry night when Heaven touched earth and Christ incarnated, becoming God-man. Fully human. Fully God. Advent culminates in the arrival of Jesus-Messiah in the flesh, born as a human child to the last people on earth who anyone would have chosen to parent a king!*

### Song of Gathering and Preparation

*The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.*

## O Come O Come Emmanuel

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O come O come Emmanuel

And ransom captive Israel

That mourns in lonely exile here

Until the Son of God appear

O come Thou Dayspring from on high

And cause Thy light on us to rise

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night

And death's dark shadow put to flight

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*

*Shall come to thee O Israel*

O Come O come true prophet of the Lord

And turn the key to heaven's door

Be Thou our comforter and guide

And lead us to the Father's side

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*

*Shall by His Word our darkness dispel*

O come our great High Priest and intercede

Thy sacrifice our only plea

The judgment we no longer fear

Thy precious blood has brought us near

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*

*Has banished every fear of hell*

O Come Thou King of nations bring  
An end to all our suffering  
Bid every pain and sorrow cease  
And reign now as our Prince of Peace

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come again with us to dwell*

### **Explanation of Advent Theme: Promise – Dan Anthony**

*For yours is the kingdom of God. Poverty is everywhere; hunger, loss, fear and childlessness are not just the stuff of a few unfortunate people. The story of Christmas, really the story of the whole Bible, invites us to embrace our own hopeless poverty, like Abraham and Sarah – too old for a promised son – and to believe that the Kingdom belongs to those who know they don't belong. On this second Sunday of Advent, we light a candle to remember the promise of God to make a people for himself through a special Son. Barren old women, murderers, thieves, and outcasts, the lost and the lonely, the gluttons and the greedy, these are invited to bow before the baby King and rejoice.*

### **Call to Worship/Lighting of Advent Candle**

*We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.*

*The Jones Family – John 1:1-5, 9-14 (ESV)*

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it...The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

### **Prayer of Adoration and Confession – Dan Anthony**

*We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

*We again read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.*

*2 Corinthians 4:7, 13-16 (ESV)*

*But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us...*

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self his being renewed day by day.

## **Worship Through Giving**

We respond to the good news of God’s mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.

### **The Secret Place**

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Where will you run my soul  
Where will you go when wells run dry  
When the wind starts to blow  
How you gonna keep this flame alive  
In the fading light when night is breaking  
I know You will always be waiting  
You’ll always be there

*I’m running to the secret place where You are where You are  
I’ll sing to You all the ways You stole my heart stole my heart  
Better is a moment that I spend with You  
Than a million other days away  
I’m running I’m running  
I’m running to the secret place*

You are my only hope  
You are the Rock on which I stand  
You will not let me go  
I know that I’m safe inside Your hands  
In the fading light when night is breaking  
I know You will always be waiting  
You’ll always be there

*I’m running to the secret place...*

Hands are lifted high hearts awake to life  
We are satisfied here with You here with You  
Chains will hit the floor broken lives restored  
We couldn’t ask for more here with You here with You  
(repeat)

*I’m running to the secret place...*

## Praise and Celebration

*Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.*

### Behold The Lamb of God

*Words by Andrew Peterson. Music by Andrew Peterson and Laura Story | 2004 New Spring Publishing, Inc., Gleaning Publishing  
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*Behold the Lamb of God who takes away our sin  
Behold the Lamb of God the life and light of men  
Behold the Lamb of God who died and rose again  
Behold the Lamb of God who comes to take away our sin*

*Broken hearts (Behold our broken hearts)*

*Fallen far (We need you)*

*Behold the sin of man*

*Behold the Lamb of God...*

*Son of God (Emmanuel)*

*Son of Man (We praise you)*

*Behold the Lamb*

*The hope of man*

*Behold the Lamb of God*

*Behold, the Lamb of God...*

### Great Are You Lord

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*You give life You are love  
You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore every heart that is broken  
And great are you Lord*

*It's Your breath in our lungs*

*So we pour out our praise*

*We pour out our praise*

*It's Your breath in our lungs*

*So we pour out our praise to You only*

*You give life...*

*It's Your breath...*

*(repeat)*

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord  
(repeat 2x)

*It's Your breath...*  
(repeat)

## **Kids' Worship & Community Kids Dismissal**

*Infants - Fifth Grade are dismissed. Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.*

## **Greeting**

*Just as the Apostle Paul urged fellow believers to be hospitable, in the Gospel, Jesus has welcomed us - the worst of sinners - into His home and family. In the same spirit we greet each other to show the hospitality of Jesus.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession – Dan Anthony**

*We, again, express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.*

## **Proclamation of God's Word – Tim Rice, Lead Pastor and Director of Church Planting**

*A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.*

## **Song of Response**

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.*

## **O Come All Ye Faithful**

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O come all ye faithful  
Joyful and triumphant  
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem  
Come and behold Him  
Born the King of angels  
  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord

Sing choirs of angels  
Sing in exultation  
Sing all ye citizens of Heaven above  
Glory to God  
All glory in the highest  
O come let us adore Him...  
Yea Lord we greet Thee  
Born this happy morning  
Jesus to Thee be all glory given  
Word of the Father  
Now in flesh appearing  
O come let us adore Him...  
O come o come adore Him  
Gather round the throne before Him  
O come o come adore Him  
Christ the Lord  
(repeat)  
O come let us adore Him...

## **Benediction**

*Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.*

*May the LORD bless you and keep you;  
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,  
both now and forevermore. Amen.*

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## **Seasons of the Cross**

*Blue for Advent: Blue has historically been associated with this season, a picture of the darkness before the dawn. In Romans, Paul writes, "For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God...in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God." Freedom begins with the birth of the Christ. (ref. Rom 8:19, 20b, 21)*

## Scripture Passage and Sermon Outline

### Proclamation of God's Word

**Text:** Luke 1:67b-79 (ESV)

**Title:** Joy Because of Deliverance

**Teacher:** Tim Rice

*<sup>67b</sup> Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, <sup>68</sup> "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people <sup>69</sup> and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, <sup>70</sup> as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, <sup>71</sup> that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; <sup>72</sup> to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, <sup>73</sup> the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us <sup>74</sup> that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, <sup>75</sup> in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. <sup>76</sup> And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, <sup>77</sup> to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, <sup>78</sup> because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high <sup>79</sup> to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."*

Intro: Who is the most joyful person you know?

**IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME...**

What does it mean to *yearn* for change (*deliverance*)?



## **BUT GOD HAS COME TO REDEEM**

*While deliverance first implies captivity, the miracle of the Gospel is that God gives us deliverance.*

## **AND HE HAS REDEEMED ME!**

What changes when this becomes yours?

## **YOU CAN PRAY WITH US...**

1. Worship the LORD for His mercy as our Deliverer. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His work to visit us in Christ - to forgive and transform us by His love.
2. How have you lived in cynicism and unbelief as the LORD disappoints your expectations? Confess your pride to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and soften your heart to see His wisdom and grace.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His coming! Thank Him for leaving heaven to come bear our guilt, for allowing His life to be extinguished to save us, and for rejoicing over us in His resurrection power.
4. Who do you know that struggles with cynicism - unbelief in any real hope? Pray for them, asking the Lord to work humility and hope into their heart.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you the fruit of joy. Pray that He would help you to know Jesus' victory over *everything* terrible and that He would take you from silence to speaking up about Him, from cynicism to song.

# Communications

**Budget Meeting** – TODAY, December 10, directly after the service, we will meet in the Sanctuary for our annual congregational meeting to approve our 2018 church budget.

**Breakfast with Campus Outreach** – Sunday, December 17, 8:45a, in the Fellowship Hall, we will gather for our annual Church-wide Christmas Breakfast. We will be joined by the Campus Outreach team who will be moving here next year. Come get to know them and enjoy fellowship with the whole church. The breakfast will be a potluck, so pull out all of your award-winning recipes! Sign up to bring food by visiting [perfectpotluck.com](http://perfectpotluck.com) (Last Name: Trinity, Password: 2017) or call the church office at 863-603-7777.

**Christmas Eve Services** – Sunday, December 24, we will gather at 10:15a for our regular worship service and return at 5p for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior!

**Renew Polk Worship Service** – Save the date! Sunday, January 28, 5p, Branscomb Auditorium at Florida Southern College, Trinity and our Renew Polk Network will host a worship service for all our daughter churches and core groups. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Contact the office at 863-603-7777.

## From the Director of Operations

**Year End Giving** – All gifts must be received in the church office, made online or postmarked by Sunday, December 31 to be included on your 2017 Giving Statement. Please contact Frank McCaulley to donate stock or to arrange for gift up/drop off when the office is closed at 863-286-5007.

	<b>Progress Report</b>	
	Goal:	\$957,000
	Committed:	\$1,007,741.09
	Given:	\$606,552.57
	<b>Projects Started:</b>	
	Roof	

### Ushers

Mike Wells, HEAD

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# Calendar

For more information and additional calendar items,  
visit our website at [trinitylakeland.org](http://trinitylakeland.org).

\* Childcare provided

## SUNDAY (December 10)

8:00 am Prayer

\* 10:15 am Worship Service

12:00 pm Congregational  
Budget Meeting

6:00 pm College Group (offsite)

## WEDNESDAY

12:00 pm Person of Jesus Lunch Study

6:00 pm Middle & High School Worship

## SUNDAY (December 17)

8:00 am Prayer

8:45 am Church-wide Breakfast  
with Campus Outreach

\* 10:15 am Worship Service  
*New Members & Baptisms*

6:00 pm College Group (offsite)

### Office Hours:

Monday to Friday from 8:30a to 5:00p  
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Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address: Street

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E-mail Address

First-Time Visitor  Regular Attendee  Member

College Student @ \_\_\_\_\_

Update my contact information

I would like to receive:

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I would like information about:

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Upcoming New Member Class

Women's Bible Study

Student Ministry

Children's Ministry

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