



Dawn WILL
break
UPON US


Advent
AT BETHANY PRES

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Sylvia Oines

Welcome

Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly

Leader: The Lord be with you! *People:* **And also with you!**

Silent Listening to God

Director of Children & Family Ministries, Bianca Quezada

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Melissa and Zach Hertel

Leader: Let us join together in our Advent liturgy. We light the PEACE candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

All: **Prepare the Way of the Lord!**

Leader: The prophet Isaiah tells of God's great love through the birth of a child, saying: Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. [Isaiah 7:13-14]

All: **Jesus, awaken us to Your presence. Dawn upon our lives and rule in our world.**

***Hymn** *Hope For Everyone*

Ensemble

Hear the angels sing, there's hope for everyone
To announce our King, there's hope for everyone
What good news they bring, there's hope for everyone
Angels sing, there's hope for everyone

They came from afar, there's hope for everyone
Wise men saw the star, there's hope for everyone
Shepherds heard the choir, there's hope for everyone
From afar, there's hope for everyone

*We are waiting on the promise for the One who lights the darkness
Bending low to be among us, bring Your glory in the highest, Jesus*

Come let us adore, there's hope for everyone
On the manger floor, there's hope for everyone
What are you waitin' for, there's hope for everyone
Come adore, there's hope for everyone (*Chorus*)

Come then, on the clouds, there's hope for everyone
Hear the trumpets sound, there's hope for everyone
All of heaven shouts, there's hope for everyone
On the clouds, there's hope for everyone (*Chorus*)

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Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

Bianca Quezada

Scripture Reading Luke 1:46-55

⁴⁶ And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord ⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸ for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.

From now on all generations will call me blessed,

⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name.

⁵⁰ His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.

⁵¹ He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;

he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.

⁵² He has brought down rulers from their thrones, but has lifted up the humble.

⁵³ He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful
⁵⁵ to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors."

Leader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

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Leader: You have given all to me.

People: **To you, Lord, I return it**

Leader: Everything is Yours.

People: **Do with it what You will**

Leader: Give me only Your love and Your grace. *People:* **That is enough for me**

***Hymn** *O Little Town of Bethlehem* #121

Ensemble

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in Thee tonight
For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring love
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth
How silently, how silently, the wondrous Gift is giv'n
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His Heav'n
No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in
O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin, and enter in; be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell
O come to us; abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ushers

Children's Time

Jennifer Steenstra

Sermon *The Surprise of Mary's Magnificat*

Doug Kelly

Our Prayers to God >>[Click here for the Virtual Prayer Wall](#)

Pastor, Danielle Merseles

***Song** *Canticle of the Turning*

Ensemble

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that You bring to the ones who wait
You fixed Your sight on the servant's plight, and my weakness You did not spurn
So from east to west shall My name be blest; could the world be about to turn
Though I am small, my God, my all, You work great things in me
And Your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for You yearn
You will show Your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn
*My heart shall sing of the day You bring; let the fires of Your justice burn
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn*
From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone
Let the king beware for Your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn (*Chorus*)
Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound
'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around (*Chorus*)

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Benediction

Doug Kelly

Closing Song *Go Now In Peace*

Ensemble

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere you may go *(Repeat)*

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Postlude

Sylvia Oines

Preaching Today Doug Kelly

Leading Worship Bianca Quezada

Ministers You, who are touched by God's grace, being healed by God's love

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