



Dawn
WILL
break
UPON US



Advent
AT BETHANY PRES

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude *Canticle of the Turning* arr. by Rory Cooney Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly

Welcome Associate Pastor of Youth and Young Adults, Danielle Merseles

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Lighting of the Advent Candle Allison Fletcher, Meghan Waddle, and their son, London James

Leader: [A personal sharing on our Advent theme: *Dawn Will Break Upon Us*]

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

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

Leader: The prophet Isaiah challenges us to hope for the coming of the Lord saying: Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his way and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into 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! [Isaiah 2:3-5]

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

Silent Listening to God

Danielle Merseles

Call to Worship

***Hymn** *Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus* #82

Ensemble

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art
Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart
Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring
By thine own eternal Spirit, rule in all our hearts alone
By thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

Danielle Merseles

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

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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**

Song *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
Angel sing, 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 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 Thanksgiving

Ushers

Children's Time

Colleen Harriott

Sermon *Between Remember and Hope*

Jeff Van Duzer

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

Danielle Merseles

***Song** *What A Beautiful Name*

Ensemble

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

Death could not hold You; the veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring, the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal, now and forever, God you reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory; Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

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Holy Sacrament of Communion

Doug Kelly and Danielle Merseles

Benediction

Jeff Van Duzer

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

Preaching Today Jeff Van Duzer

Leading Worship Danielle Merseles

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

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