

Sunday, November 27, 2022, 9:30am

Advent 1

Welcome

*God's Greeting

*Song: **"Come Away from Rush and Hurry"**

1 Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;
from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ to find release.
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;
come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

2 In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul.
From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed.
With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led.

3 Come, then, children, with your burdens—life's confusions, fears and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead His kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts, for He will quench them—He alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

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Time for Prayer

Offering

Song during the offering: **"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

1 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.

2 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.

Charles Wesley

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Bible Reading: Isaiah 40:1-8, Matthew 20:29-34

Video: "What Do You Want for Christmas?"

Sermon: **"Longing for More: We Want"**

Time of Reflection

Advent Candle Lighting

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Song during the passing of the bread: **"What Feast of Love"**

1 What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the King, the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!

2 What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the King, the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given.

3 What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the King, the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

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“A Communion Hymn for Christmas”

1 Gathered 'round Your table on this holy eve,
viewing Bethlehem's stable, we rejoice and grieve
Joy to see You lying in Your manger bed,
weep to see You dying in our sinful stead

2 Prince of Glory gracing Heaven ere time began,
now for us embracing death as Son of Man
By Your birth so lowly, by Your love so true,
by Your cross most holy, Lord, we worship You

3 Bethlehem's Incarnation, Calvary's bitter cross
wrought for us salvation by Your pain and loss
Now we fall before You in this holy place
Prostrate, we adore You for Your gift of grace
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Organ solo during the passing of the juice

Prayer

***Song: “Be Thou My Vision”**

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night;
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

4 High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.
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*God's Blessing