

Prelude & Quiet Meditation (suggested reading Jeremiaiah 33:14-16)

Call to Worship

Children of God, pay attention! The days are coming when God's peace will reign and all creation will flourish under the reign of our Creator.

The days are surely coming!

Children of God, prepare your hearts! The days are coming and are already here when God will come near and show us how to recognize God's reign among us.

The days are surely coming and are already here!

Children of God, be alert and listen! God has come near to build the kin-dom on the earth here and now. Will you join in?

The days are surely coming and are already here! We come to prepare our hearts to pay attention, to listen, and to follow God's call to build the kin-dom of earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" #153

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.

Lighting the Advent Candle

“We Light the Advent Candles” #175 (vs. 1&2)

1 We light the Advent candles
against the winter night,
to welcome our Lord Jesus
who is the world's True Light,
to welcome our Lord Jesus
who is the world's True Light.

2 The first one will remind us
that Christ will soon return.
We light it in the darkness
and watch it gleam and burn,
We light it in the darkness
and watch it gleam and burn.

Prayer of Expectation

Passing the Peace

Ministry Opportunities, Celebrations & Concerns

“Lord, Be Glorified” #465

Verse 1

In my life Lord
Be glorified be glorified
In my life Lord
Be glorified today

Verse 2

In our homes Lord
Be glorified be glorified

In our homes Lord
Be glorified today

Verse 3

In Your church Lord
Be glorified be glorified
In Your church Lord
Be glorified today

Verse 4

In your world Lord
Be glorified be glorified
In your world Lord
Be glorified today

Bob Kilpatrick

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Prayer of Dedication

Luke 21:25-36

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel” #178

Verse

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

Bob McGee

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THE DAYS ARE SURELY COMING

Prayer of the People

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #358

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,

pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

4 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Service of Communion

“Hope of the Nations (Christmas Edition)” (7122922)

Verse

Jesus hope of the nations
Jesus comfort for all who mourn
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth
Jesus light in the darkness
Jesus truth in each circumstance
You are the source of heaven's light on earth

Pre-Chorus

In Bethlehem a lowly birth
The dawn of grace and peace on earth

Chorus

You are the hope hope brought to life
Here to reveal what God's really like
Light of the world shining for everyone to see
You are the Christ Christmas is You

Our servant King faithful and true
Jesus our joy filling our hearts as we receive
Our Prince of Peace

Brian Doerksen

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Benediction