



November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent

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WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Schneider Family

HYMN

"Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn"

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

THE WORD IN MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 2:1-5, Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON

"What Are You Waiting For?"

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

HYMN

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER FROLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE



1 O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me.



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, come and lis - ten to me.

OFFERTORY THOUGHTS

HYMN

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

BENEDICTION

May the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the Spirit's joy surround us as we walk in the light of the Lord. Amen.

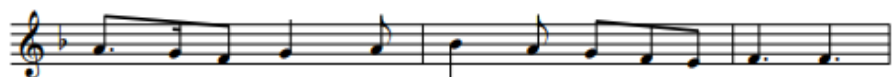
Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn



1. A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, For
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3. In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, When
4. Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, Though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, His hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, As morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, The ris - ing sun shall



now he is born, Be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, Yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, So warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, Be strong and lov - ing and fear - less;



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, To bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul And hymns of lov - ing
Then shall the mute break forth in song, The lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer, And love, our end - less



geth - er, He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door And
kind - ness, The thun - der of his an - thems roll To
won - der, The weak be raised a - bove the strong, And
sto - ry, May God fill ev - 'ry day we share, And



lives now in - side us for ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950
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Unison

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
2 O come, thou Day - spring, come and cheer our spir - its by
3 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, and or - der all things
4 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind all peo - ples in one

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here, un -
ad - vent here: dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, and
far and nigh: to us the path of knowl - edge show, and
heart and mind: bid en - vy, strife and quar - rels cease: fill

Refrain (Harmony)

til the Son of God ap - pear,
death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
cause us in her ways to go. Re - joi - ce! Re - joi - ce! Em -
the whole world with heav - en's peace.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

WORDS: Latin, 9th c.; tr. John M. Neale (1818-1866); vs. 3 and 4 tr. Henry S. Coffin (1877-1954) VENI EMMANUEL
MUSIC: French melody, 15th c.; harm. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890) L.M.Bel.

ADVENT

400 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

F C F B \flat F C F C F B \flat C F

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king.

F C F B \flat F C F C F B \flat C F

from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Am Dm Gm C F Dm Am Gm B \flat C

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art;
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;

F Gm C F C F Am B \flat F C F

dear De - sire of ev - ery na - tion, Joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP: Livestream is at www.facebook.com/euccvalleycity/live

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Sunday Worship Attendance: 55

Facebook: 10

General Fund Offering: \$1,610.00

Sign: \$3,025.00

CHURCH BANK – If you wish to express a joy or concern for Church Bank, we ask you write them down on the papers provided in the pews and place it in the offering plate by the door. The following week each joy or concern will be posted on the slides before church.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Sara Wise and Brian Anielski in memory of their dog Phoenix on his 8th birthday.

OFFICE HOURS- are Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-2:30 and Wednesday from 8:30-12:30.

NEW CHURCH SIGN- We will be taking donations for a new church sign. There are envelopes available in the Narthex for anyone who would like to donate. We looked at three different styles of signs. Pending donations, we will vote on the type of sign to purchase at the annual meeting.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE- We will again be partnering with Litchfield UCC collecting food items. Brochures are available explaining what is needed. Please bring your non-perishable items in and place around our altar area. Last day to donate is Dec. 4th.

NOT-FORGOTTEN BOX is available for donations until Dec. 11th.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM- Practice for the children's Christmas program will be during Sunday School.

ADVENT STUDY PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS will be at the home of Gladys and Dan Garver 1525 Lester Rd, Valley City. The schedule is Wed. Nov. 30th 11 am, Wed. Dec. 7th 11 am, Wed. Dec. 14th 11 am, Wed. Dec 21st at 11 am.

DIRECTORY PICTURES- On December 4th we will be taking pictures for the directory for anyone who hasn't submitted a picture or had their picture taken.

SWISS STEAK DINNER We will be having a Swiss Steak Dinner on Sat. Dec. 3 from 4:30-6:30. Tickets are \$15. Advance ticket sales are suggested. There will be a limited number of tickets at the door. Last day to buy tickets is Nov. 27. Please call in advance or see a Council Member for tickets.

ALTAR FLOWERS SIGN-UP: The calendar for providing altar flowers to honor someone, in memory of a loved one, or "just because" is on the Narthex information table. There are many opportunities for you to enhance our worship atmosphere with the beauty of flowers. We are getting our altar flowers from Baskets, Boxes, etc. The cost is \$20.00 each.

PASTOR REBEKAH'S INFORMATION: Cell number: 231-327-8107. Email: rarw1981@gmail.com. Her office hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9am-noon.

KEEP OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN PRAYER: Bette Benko, Scott Campbell, Sympathy for Bob Leibold Family, Jennifer Luf, Bill Nolan, Judy Schwartz, Marge Naftzger, Bob Schneider, Terry Flanagan, Mikey Coombes' mother, Vivian, Pastor John Baker, Gene Scheafer, Vivien Hershey.