

First Advent



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CALL TO WORSHIP



Let Everything Praise the Lord

- 150** Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
 praise him in his mighty heavens!
2 Praise him for his mighty deeds;
 praise him according to his excellent
greatness!
3 Praise him with trumpet sound;
 praise him with lute and harp!
4 Praise him with tambourine and
dance;
 praise him with strings and pipe!
5 Praise him with sounding cymbals;
 praise him with loud clashing
cymbals!
6 Let everything that has breath praise
the Lord!
Praise the Lord!



PRAYER OF CONFESSION



Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and action; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Increase our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and grace, slow to anger, and full of mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word stay with us until it has fulfilled in us your holy will.

Amen.





O COME O COME EMMANUEL



Verse I:

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Chorus:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

Verse II:

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory over the grave.

Verse III:

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on
High
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

Verse IV:

O come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

Verse V:

O come, Adonai, Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.

Verse VI:

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All people in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill all the world with heaven's peace



JOY TO THE WORLD (JOYFUL JOYFUL)



Verse I

Joy to the World; the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven and Heaven and nature
sing.

Verse II

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat Repeat the sounding joy.

Verse III

He rules the world with truth and
grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders and wonders of His love.



CHRIST IS RISEN



Verse I

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave

Verse II

The prodigal is welcomed home
The sinner now a saint
For the God who died came back to life
And everything has changed
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave

Pre-Chorus

O death where is your sting
O fear where is your power
The mighty King of kings has disarmed
you
Delivered and redeemed eternal life is
ours
O praise His name forever

Chorus I

Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave
And all throughout eternity
Our song will be the same
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave

Verse III

And on the day You call me in
To heaven's sweet embrace
I'll see Your scars Your open arms
The beauty of Your face
Through tears of joy
I'll lift my voice in everlasting praise
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave

Jesus is alive oh

And all throughout eternity
Our song will be the same
Hallelujah Christ is risen from the grave





TITHES & OFFERINGS



PASTORAL PRAYER



SERMON



The Son of Man Risen & Ruling Above All Things



MAIN POINT

It's all about
Jesus.



REVELATION 1



PROLOGUE

1 The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things that must soon take place.

He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, 2 who bore witness to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw. 3

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

GREETING TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood 6 and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”



REVELATION 1



VISION OF THE SON OF MAN

9 I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet 11 saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

12 Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. 14 The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, 15 his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. 16 In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. 19 Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this.

20 As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.



REFLECTION QUESTIONS



How is Jesus revealed in this text?



Do you know the comfort that comes from knowing the power and glory of Christ, or do you struggle knowing only an earthly perspective of your troubles?





COMMUNION



DRAMA





HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING



Verse I:

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain:

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King"

Verse II:

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel.

[Refrain]

Verse III:

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

[Refrain]

RECITATION:
ROMANS
8:31-39





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