

Gathering

Bringing in the Light - VT 210 O Come, O Come, Immanuel

Please join on the refrain.

Call to worship

VT 217 Hark! the Glad Sound!

Offering ourselves and our gifts

Confession and Affirmation

Leader: The Lord offers shelter to immigrants, safety to the oppressed, and solace to foreigners in strange lands.

All: Forgive those whom we oppress; open our eyes to the other among us.

Offering

Birthdays

Hearing the Word

Children's Time (*Children 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's Time in room 2, with childcare afterward. Children 4 and up are invited up front for Children's time*)

Psalms 146:5-10, Luke 1:46-56

Sermon

Responding to the Word

VT 700 O God of Blessings

Sharing our lives

Singing our prayers (on back)

Sending

Introduction of Visitors

Announcements (*Please hand written announcements to the worship leader before this time*)

VT 412 My Soul Cries Out

Benediction

Light Dancers: Caleb Yoder Schlabach, Eliza Miller, Saya Quintana, Linden and Bryn Rothshank, Kiki Smuts, Alice Kauffman, Lia Sywulka, Alyda Miller Avelar; Musicians: Aaron Hochstetler, Thomas Baldanzi Schlabach, Cora Shreiner Landes, Saya Quintana, Patricia Nuyken, Ana Yoder Coulter, Karen Graber Roth; Song leader: Wil Beachy; Worship Leader: Jon Zirkle; Children's Time: Lora Nafziger; Scripture reader: Carol and Alta Good-Elliott; Preacher: Brian Roots; Sharing: Karl Shelly; Tech hosts: Darin Bontrager, Eric Kaufmann; Visuals: Stephen Lowe, Anna Yoder Schlabach, Kay Bontrager-Singer, co-pastor of Faith Mennonite Church.

Join us second hour for a seasonal hymn sing. Write down your favorite Advent and Christmas hymns on the slips of paper handed out at the door. Place them in the basket next to the offering basket before second hour.

Upcoming Advent Events:

JYF Candle Dipping: Dec 14, 6:30pm at Steve Shantz's

Advent Spiral: Dec 17, 5:30 and 7 pm. Sign up in the Gathering space

Longest Night service: Dec 21, 7 pm

Christmas Eve service & supper: Dec 24, 6pm. Sign up in the Gathering space

Christmas Day Worship with Faith Mennonite: December 25, 5pm

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

1. FM system. Get a receiver and ear speaker from the sound booth.
2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils in your hearing aids. (You do not need a receiver or headphones.) If you aren't getting great reception on your hearing aid, try moving closer to the middle of the circle. There is a map at the sound booth showing where the best seats are.

All
 [A] *repeat continuously* [B]

Hmm. God of mer-cy, hold us in love.

[A] *Leader or Assistant* [B]

1. In peace, in peace, we pray to you:
2. For peace and sal - va - tion, we pray to you:
3. For peace be-tween na-tions, for peace be-tween peo - ples:
4. For us, who are gath-ered to wor-ship and praise you:
5. For all of your ser-vants who live out your gos - pel:
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus - tice might guide them:
7. For all those who la - bor in ser-vice to oth - ers:
8. Grant weath-er that nour-ish - es all of cre - a - tion:
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger:
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy:

[A] *Leader or Assistant*

Help us, com-fort us, all of our days:

All

Keep us, hold us, gra - cious God.

Advent: Restoration is Near
 Tell what you hear and see
 December 11, 2022



Hark! the Glad Sound!

COMMUNION CMD

1 Hark! the glad sound! The Sav-ior comes! The Sav-ior prom-ised long!
 2 He comes the pris-ners to re-lease, in Sa-tan's bond-age held.
 3 His sil-ver trum-pets pub-lish loud the day of ju-bi-lee.

Let ev-'ry heart pre-pare a throne, and ev-'ry voice a song,
 The gates of brass be-fore him burst, the i-ron fet-ters yield.
 Our debts are all re-mit-ted now; he sets the peo-ple free.

On him the Spir-it large-ly poured ex-erts its sa-cred fire,
 He comes the bro-ken heart to bind, the bleed-ing soul to cure,
 Our glad ho-san-nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel-come shall pro-claim.

wis-dom and might, and zeal and love, his ho-ly breast in-spire.
 and with the trea-sures of his grace to en-rich the hum-ble poor.
 and heav'n's e-ter-nal arch-es ring with thy be-lov-ed name.

Text: Philip Doddridge (England, 1735), *Translation and Paraphrases*, 1745, alt.
 Music: "Babylon" in Werth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second* (USA, 1813); harmon. J. Harold Meyer (USA), © 1989 Faith & Life Press.

O God of Blessings

SOLI DEO GLORIA 9.9.9.9.9 with refrain

1 O God of bless-ings, all praise to you! Your
 2 All praise for wis-dom, great gift sub-lime, through
 3 All praise for proph-ets, through grace in-spired to
 4 All praise for mu-sic, deep gift pro-found, through
 5 All praise for Je-sus, best gift di-vine through
 6 A bil-lion voic-es in one great song, now

love sur-rounds us our whole life through. You are the free-dom of
 words and teach-ers of ev-'ry time; for sto-ries an-cient and
 preach and wit-ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir-it choos-es the
 hands and voic-es in ho-ly sound; the psalms of Da-vid and
 word and wit-ness, in bread and wine; in-car-nate love song of
 soft and gen-tle, now deep and strong, in ev-'ry cul-ture and

those op-pressed; You are the com-fort of all dis-
 knowl-edge new, for coach-es, men-tors, and coun-selors
 weak and small to sing the new reign where might-y
 Ma-ry's praise, in word-less splen-dor and lyr-ic
 bound-less grace, priest, teach-er, proph-et in time and
 style and key, from hill and val-ley, with sky and

tressed. Come now, O ho-ly and wel-come guest:
 true whose life of ser-vice brought us to you:
 fall; with them may we live your gos-pel call:
 phrase, with all cre-a-tion one song we raise:
 sea, your stead-fast kind-ness with hu-man face:
 with Christ we praise you e-ter-nal-ly:

*So-li De-o glo-ri-a, so-li De-o glo-ri-a!

*Latin: To God alone be glory!

For capo chords, see the accompaniment edition.

Text: Marty Haugen (USA)
 Music: Marty Haugen
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My Soul Cries Out

STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN 9.8.10.8 D with refrain



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you
 3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne. The
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp. This



fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my weak - ness you
 ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would
 hun - gry poor shall weep no more for the food they can
 sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the prom - ise which



did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires



jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the



of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the



dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn!



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Music: Irish traditional; arr. Rory Cooney

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