



La Casa de Cristo

LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2020 - 5:00PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020 - 8:00 & 9:15AM

BE STRONG

and courageous!

DO NOT BE AFRAID *OR* DISCOURAGED.

FOR THE LORD, YOUR GOD,

is with you

WHEREVER

JOSHUA 1:9

YOU GO

Welcome to Worship!

PRELUDE “Greensleeves”

- Richard Purvis

#STAY CONNECTED

CALL TO WORSHIP

☐ Come... join... step out of the world’s darkness.

Step over the barriers... into God.

Into warmth... into hope.

☑ God with us!

GATHERING HYMN “Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel”



Oh, come, oh, come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
Oh, Wis - dom word of God most high, em - bra - cing all things



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
far ---- and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;



un - til the Son of God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice!
teach us your will and guide ---- our way.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

Text: *Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum*, Köln, 1710; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, French processional, 15th cent.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

☐ O God, as light comes from this candle,
may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us,
warming our hearts and brightening our way.
May Christ our Savior bring life into the darkness of this world,
and to us, as we wait for his coming.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(musical duet)*

*The Lord be with you.
And with you, his servant.
Oh, come, let us lift our heart unto the Lord.
With hearts uplifted, thanks to God we render:
with joy we come before Him...
in gratefulness implore Him...
with thankful hearts adore Him.
Evermore!*

OFFERING “Come, Thou Fount of Ev’ry Blessing”

- Tom Trenney

*Come, thou Fount of ev’ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise.*

*Here I find my greatest treasure
Hither by thy help I’ve come.
And I hope, by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home.*

*Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, I’m fixed upon it,
Mount of thy redeeming love.*

*Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand’ring from the fold of God.
He, to rescue me from danger
Bought me with his precious blood.*

SERMON Joshua 1:9

- *Pastor Jeff Ruby*

SPECIAL MUSIC “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

- *Anna Laura Page*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**☩ Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “On Jordan’s Banks the Baptist’s Cry”



On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es
Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us
All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -
has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.
we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.



Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. composite
Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE “Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

- Flor Peeters

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Sanctuary Altar Flowers

Given by Rosie Freeland, in memory of Dan Freeland and Lori Freeland.

Assisting in Today's Worship

Music

Dr. Jeremy Peterman, organ, vocalist
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