

Order of Service

First Sunday of Advent

29th November 2020



Worship led by Ishbel Smith
Music from Harry Thomson

Welcome and Announcements

Call to worship

Hymn 189 – Be Still for the presence of the Lord vs 1& 3

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place,
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him;
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J Evans, 1986 Thankyou Music

Opening prayer and The Lord's Prayer

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

ALL: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

Readings: Isaiah 40 – 28-31
Luke 1: 5-25

Reflection

Hymn 273 Come O Come Emmanuel

O Come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
In ancient times didst give the law in cloud and majesty and awe.
Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell thy people save, and give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

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:
Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

John Mason Neale, 1818-66

Responding to God's word

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Prayer of thanksgiving and dedication

Hymn Those who wait on the Lord x2

Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint: help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.

ps. 124:8-9

Blessing

Receive the blessing of God and go in peace: