

Bethlehem Bound

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November 28, 2021
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ONLINE WORSHIP GUIDE

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Pre-Service Video

Chimes

Prelude:

Pastorale

by J.S. Bach

David Moldenhauer, organ

Call to Worship

God of Promise, in this season as the days grow shorter and the shadows lengthen, we gather in eager expectation for the Light of the World to dawn. Help us, God, to lay aside all the works of night and even our cynicism as we enter this sacred season. During this time of worship, send your Spirit to empower us to live in the light of hope.

In the Name of the One who is coming to bring us hope, rise as you are able and sing!

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, grief, or other critical challenges, the Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) at Cathedral of Hope will connect you with the appropriate resources that best correspond to your needs.

The CCM can be reached at
Phone (214) 351-1901 Ext. 12
Email at CCMCOH@gmail.com

****Processional Hymn:** *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child to whom we sing,
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious realm to bring.
By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory 'til in heaven we take our place.
'Til we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Welcome

We are all on a journey to find God. Throughout our lives, we find that we are sometimes sent into unknown territory. The Christmas story remind us that Mary and Joseph were sent on a journey and encountered God. We are also reminded that wherever we are in our faith, God's Spirit resides in each of us, giving us strength, courage, and hope for the journey.

Call to Advent

O Come, Emmanuel
by Mark Hayes
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

Michael: As our nights grow longer and our days grow shorter, we look on these earthly signs—candles and green branches—and remember God’s promise to the world: Christ, our Light and our Hope will come.

Pat Saxon: Hear the words of the prophet Isaiah:
The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light. On those who lived in a land of darkness a light has dawned. You have increased their joy and given them gladness. They rejoice in your presence as those who rejoice at harvest.

Neil: Let us pray:
Thank you, God for the hope you give us. We ask you to fill us with your presence as we wait in hope. Help us this day and every day to worship you, to listen to your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with our world. We ask this in the name of the Child of Hope, Emmanuel, God with us. Amen.

Michael: Today we light the candle of Hope—the Hope that Christ brings.

Gradual

Come, Emmanuel

Come and speak to us. Come and renew us.

Come and live through us, Emmanuel.

Grace to implore us, ever before us,
come and restore us, Emmanuel.

Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

**Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

****Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:1-5**

One: God be with you.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

One: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

ALL: GLORY TO YOU, O GOD.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because Joseph was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.

One: This is the Gospel of Hope.

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, CREATOR, CHRIST AND HOLY SPIRIT.

****Gloria**

Advent Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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Sermon

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Offering Call

We have been enriched and strengthened in so many ways by the gifts of God. Now we have the opportunity to participate in sharing God's Word of Hope to the world. Our offerings enable our church's witness in this community and a caring outreach around the globe. As we prepare to give, let us pray:

Gracious God, we give our best to you with gratitude and faith. You have been our hope in times of need. Every breath we take is a gift from you. We dedicate these symbols of thankfulness and all the days of our lives to those purposes. Amen.

Offertory

Breath of Heaven

Words and Music by Chris Eaton and Amy Grant

arr. Craig Courtney

Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

*I have traveled many moonless nights,
cold and weary with a babe inside.*

*And I wonder what I've done, Holy Sovereign, you have come
and chosen me to carry your Son.*

TEXT TO GIVE

Simply send a text message to (469)507-3839 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$20. **The minimum text-to-give contribution is \$3.**

*I am waiting in a silent prayer.
I am frightened by the load I bear.
In a world as cold as stone must I walk this path alone?
Be with me now, be with me now.*

*Breath of Heaven, hold me together, be forever near me,
Breath of Heaven.*

*Breath of Heaven, lighten my darkness, pour over me your holiness
for you are holy, Breath of Heaven.*

*Do you wonder, as you watch my face,
if another should have had my place?
But I offer all I am for the mercy of your plan,
Help me be strong, help me be, help me.*

*Breath of Heaven, hold me together, be forever near me,
Breath of Heaven.*

*Breath of Heaven, lighten my darkness, pour over me your holiness
for you are holy, Breath of Heaven.*

Communion

Sursum Corda

Sanctus

*Holy, holy, God, you are holy. Ruler of the sea and sky.
Angel hosts above adore you. Earth sings out its endless cry:
"Hail, hosanna in the highest!" "Peace on earth," the heavens reply.*

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Music during Communion

Wonderful Counselor

Sanctuary Choir

Emmanuel

****Emmanuel, Emmanuel, your name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us, your name is called Emmanuel.**

****Prayer of Thanksgiving**

ONLINE GIVING

At www.cathedralofhope.com/give you can make a one-time donation or even set up a recurring electronic gift (by automated checking account withdrawal or credit card). One of the best things you can do to support your church during this period is to make arrangements to give electronically.

****Recessional**

Heir of All the Waiting Nations

Heir of all waiting ages, hope of ages yet to be;
Joy to them that sit in sadness, living truth to make us free.
Stricken souls shall know the comfort
of the gracious ministry.

Angel voices in the heavens joyfully proclaim thy birth;
Singing of a promised future, reign of righteousness and worth;
Songs of prophecy and promise,
peace, good will to all on earth.

Thou shalt be the great physician for the ills of humankind;
Thou shalt heal the wounded spirit, hope and health together bind;
Larger life for all who seek it
in the childlike heart and mind.

Word of peace, the warring nations in thy name shall sheathe the sword.
Justice, scorned of old and trampled, by thy rule shall be restored;
All the world with love shall follow,
the acclaim with one accord.

****Benediction**

Postlude for Dismissal

OUR GIVING			
Week Ending	Amount Received	Budget	Over (Under) Budget
11/07/21	\$42,049	\$45,000	(\$2,951)
11/14/21	\$32,282	\$30,000	\$2,282
11/21/21	\$43,662	\$40,000	\$3,662
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