

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 22, 2024  
*The Fourth Sunday of Advent*

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*Making disciples who love Christ, his Word and his  
Church, through the ordinary means of grace.*

# Christ Presbyterian Church

Order for the Worship of God

Lord's Day December 22, 2024

## Welcome and Announcements

*To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares, to all who fail and desire strength, to all who sin and need a Savior, to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness and to whoever will come this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

### Call to Worship

Zechariah 2:10 & Isaiah 61:10

Minister: Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for behold, I come and I will dwell in your midst, declares the Lord.

**All: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness.**

### O 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

### Chorus

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

### *Chorus*

O come, thou Dayspring come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine Advent here  
And drive away the shadows of night  
And pierce the clouds and bring us light

*Chorus*

O come, Desire of nations bind  
All peoples in one heart and mind  
Bid Thou our sad divisions cease  
And be Thyself our King of peace

*Chorus*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the  
power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be  
World without end, amen, amen

**Affirmation of Faith**

Philippians 2:5-11

Minister: What do we believe about the incarnation of Jesus Christ?

**All: Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

## Psalm 110

The LORD said to my Lord, "At my right hand take your seat  
Until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet."

The LORD will make your reign extend from Zion's hill  
With mighty scepter rule your foes who fight against your will

When you display your pow'r Your people flock to you  
At dawn, arrayed in holiness Your youth will come like dew

The LORD has sworn an oath and will not change his mind  
"You are a priest forever, like Melchizedek in kind."

The Lord's at your right hand and there will ever stay  
He on his day of wrath will crush the kings who bar his way

The nations he will judge, the dead in heaps will lie  
The mighty chiefs of all the earth He'll shatter and destroy

A brook beside the way, His thirst will satisfy  
And, thus refreshed, by water he will lift his head on high

### Call to Confession

Romans 5:12

"Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—"

### Confession of Sin

Adapted from the Genevan Liturgy of 1542

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

**All: O Lord God, Eternal God and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge most sincerely before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing: Wherefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition.**

**Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You; and we condemn ourselves and sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father, most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which will bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto You; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

Isaiah 55:6-7

“Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.”

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

### **All: Thanks be to God!**

#### **Jesus, I Come**

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night  
    Jesus, I come; Jesus I come  
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light  
    Jesus, I come to Thee  
    Out of my sickness into Thy health  
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth  
    Out of my sin and into Thyself  
    Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross  
Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm  
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm  
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into Thy blessed will to abide  
Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love  
Out of despair into raptures above  
Upward forever on wings like a dove  
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb  
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into the joy and light of Thy home  
Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of the depths of ruin untold  
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold  
Jesus, I come to Thee

**Prayer of Intercession**

Mr. Sam Massey

### **Tithes and Offerings**

#### **The Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**"The Names of the Son"**

Isaiah 9:1-7

**What Child Is This?**

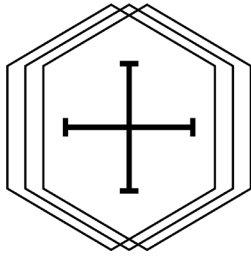
What Child is this who laid to rest  
On Mary's lap is sleeping  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet  
While shepherds watch are keeping  
This this is Christ the King  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing  
Haste haste to bring Him laud  
The Babe the Son of Mary

Why lies He in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding  
Good Christian fear for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading  
Nails spear shall pierce Him through  
The cross be borne for me for you  
Hail hail the Word made flesh  
The Babe the Son of Mary

So bring Him incense gold and myrrh  
Come peasant king to own Him  
The King of kings salvation brings  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him  
Raise raise the song on high  
The Virgin sings her lullaby  
Joy joy for Christ is born  
The Babe the Son of Mary

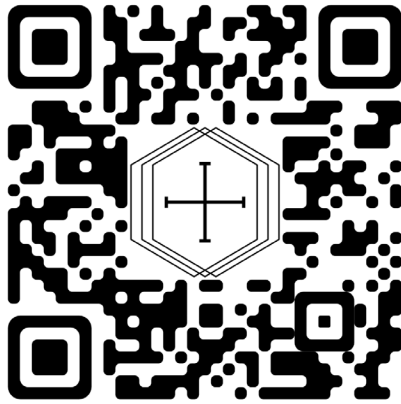
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**Benediction**



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## **SUNDAY SERVICE**

10:30 am - The Don Walker Education Center  
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