



WYCKOFF

REFORMED CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE
DECEMBER 6, 2020

Thanks for joining us for this week's worship service. As you gather this morning, take a moment to notice God's creation around you. Give thanks to God for what you see, hear, smell, and feel. Give thanks for the opportunity to gather together again, even in this different way. Notice God's presence and welcome God in.

These resources are also available at www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides

To participate in this service online, join us at wrclive.org or on Facebook Live.

While we are all overjoyed to be together, please do not neglect our physical distancing guidelines. Six feet of separation should be maintained between individuals from different households. Masks must be worn when inside and when physical distancing outside is not possible. There are disposable masks and hand sanitizer on the tables at the entrance if you need either.

A children's lesson will be offered during the sermon.
If your child would like to participate, please sign in as you enter worship.

Bold sections will be read aloud together
* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit

GATHERED BY GOD

WELCOME

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth, **Amen.**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

One: Jesus Christ

All: is the Light of the World.

One: The Light shines in the darkness,

All: and the darkness did not overcome it.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

1 PETER 1:6-9

"You now rejoice in this hope, even if it's necessary for you to be distressed for a short time by various trials. This is necessary so that your faith may be found genuine. (Your faith is more valuable than gold, which will be destroyed even though it is itself tested by fire.) Your genuine faith will result in praise, glory, and honor for you when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you've never seen him, you love him. Even though you don't see him

now, you trust him and so rejoice with a glorious joy that is too much for words. You are receiving the goal of your faith: your salvation.”

***SONG OF PRAISE**

“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.

Refrain:

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

O come, thou branch of Jesse's stem,
unto thine own and rescue them!
From depths of hell your people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
Refrain

O come, O Bright and Morning Star,
and bring us comfort from afar!
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Refrain

O come, desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind.
Bid all our sad divisions cease,
and be thyself our King of peace.
Refrain

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

O come Emmanuel, for we are waiting in a suffering world, in the darkness of our own making. Come set about redeeming and healing the wounds of sin and grief. Come to the barren places of despair and bring life. Break into the depths with unexpected joy and rejoicing. In your mercy, rescue us Jesus. Holy Spirit, in your kindness, sustain our hope of your coming again to make all things new; grow our faith to trust that you forever reign over all things. Amen.

PROMISE OF GRACE BASED ON LUKE 1:28-32, REVELATION 21:3-5

Greetings favored one! the Lord is with you.

Do not be afraid, for in Christ, you have found favor with God.

The Son of God has come to us, the Son of the Most High has declared our salvation in his coming:

“He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.’
And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’

OFFERING

We respond to the love and grace of Jesus by giving back our whole lives to God in worship. In this offering, we give our financial gifts as a symbol that all we have comes from God and is to be used for God’s glory. Please continue to support us! To give your gift online visit www.wyckoffreformed.org/give, feel free to mail your offering, or leave it in the offering box near the entrance.

*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.

LISTENING TO GOD

SCRIPTURE

LUKE 1:26-45

SERMON

“MARY”
Rev. Andy Kadzban

RESPONDING TO GOD

*APOSTLES’ CREED

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages and across the world to proclaim these words:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SONG OF RESPONSE

“MOTHER OF GOD”

Mary, full of grace, the Lord your God is with thee
Blessed are you to bless all the world
Mary, peace is yours, the Spirit is upon you
You will be with child, do not fear
Mother of God
Your baby boy will grant us peace
Your baby boy will grant us peace

Word made flesh, born of virgin Mary
Hope is in the world, Emmanuel
The Lamb of God, born to die, He came
He would show the world a better way

Emmanuel
God with us, God with us
Emmanuel
God with us, God with us

Son of God, hear Your people calling
All cry out for peace, can you hear?
In our despair, we doubt in Your return
Messiah, will You come once again?

Emmanuel
God with us, God with us
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God with us, God with us
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

NUMBERS 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord lift up his presence to you and give you his peace,
Now and always, Amen.

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