

## WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

PRELUDE                      *Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*                      Arr. Wagner

## +OPENING PRAYER

**O Lord our God,  
temptation and weakness keep us  
from being the people you call us to be,  
but your generous grace and mercy have always brought us deliverance.  
Raise up your power and come dwell among us today,  
so that when we feel the lure of sin, we will find you mighty to save.  
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,  
now and forever.**

[Based upon the Collect prayer for this Sunday in the Church of England]

+HYMN *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* # 203

KIDS TIME	<i>Advent Candle Song</i> (stanza 2)	#2090
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ANTHEM *From the Prophet Comes a Promise* Ensemble

From the prophet shines a promise, glorious stars of truth and right; gleaming from the heart of heaven, leading through the gloom of night. Sparkling from the realms of glory, beams a beacon for the soul. Living lamp of golden graces, come with fire and take control! Alleluia! Come Emmanuel! From the prophet shines a promise, blazing boldly, burning bright; reaching, teaching, always leading, showing us the path of Light! Thy Word is like a starry host, a thousand rays of light; bright stars to guide the traveler and make their pathway bright. O may we love Your precious Word, Your promises divine, and pray the light of glory will on our journey shine. Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Your 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 are; dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart. Alleluia! Come Emmanuel!

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 11: 1-10

PSALTER Psalm 71: 1-7, 18-19

Give the king your justice, O God,  
**and your righteousness to a king's son.**  
 May he judge your people with righteousness,  
**and your poor with justice.**  
 May the mountains yield prosperity for the people,  
**and the hills, in righteousness.**  
 May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,  
**give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.**  
 May he live while the sun endures,  
**and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.**  
 May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,  
**like showers that water the earth.**  
 In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound,  
**until the moon is no more.**  
 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
**who alone does wondrous things.**  
 Blessed be his glorious name forever;  
**may his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.**

## SECOND LESSON Romans 15: 4-13

+GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 3: 1-12+ACCLAMATION *Gloria Patri* # 70

SERMON

+HYMN *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* # 216

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements

Offertory

*I Wonder As I Wander*

Arr. Hayes

Doxology

# 94

+ CLOSING SONG

*Go Now In Peace*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Variations on "Veni Emmanuel"*

arr. Laskey

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD  
AND SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

CONFESSION & PARDON

# 890

**Jamie - note that it's a different prayer of confession than usual**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BREAKING THE BREAD

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*In the United Methodist Church, all baptized Christians are invited  
to share in the Lord's Table.*

*Please come forward to receive the Bread and Cup.*

*If you would like to have the elements brought to you, please let an Usher know.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

# Service of Word & Table

Second Sunday of Advent



7 December 2025

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