

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR 12-13-2020

- **Call to Worship – Psalm 98: 1-3**

- **Song of Adoration – Joy to the World (LUYH 92 vs. 1-4)¹**

Verse 1

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Verse 2

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns: let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Verse 3

No more let sin and sorrow grow nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

Verse 4

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

- **God greets his people**

- **Advent Reading & Candle Lighting**

- **Song of Advent – Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (LUYH 56 vs. 1-4)²**

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art:
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Verse 3

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.

Verse 4

By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

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- **Pastoral Prayer**

- **Offering** – even though we are not passing the offering plates during our worship service, we still want to remember that the giving of our tithes and offerings is an act of worship to God. We are grateful for all his gifts to us, and we give back a portion of what he has given to us.

- **Sermon**

Sermon Text: Mark 1: 9-13

Sermon Title: “Baptized and Tempted”

Series: *Mark*

- **Song of Response – O Little Town of Bethlehem (LUYH 88 vs. 1, 3-4)³**

Verse 1

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

Verse 3

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him still the dear Christ enters in.

Verse 4

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray.
Cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us to day.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

- **Benediction**

- **Doxology – O Come, All Ye Faithful (LUYH 76 vs. 3)⁴**

Verse 3

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:
“Glory to God, all glory in the highest!”

Chorus

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

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