

Sunday, December 10, 2017  
The Second Sunday of Advent

**GOD CALLS US**

**Gathering Song**

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*

*Montgomery (1816) | Smart (1867)*

Angels from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
Ye who sang creation's story now proclaim Messiah's birth.

**REFRAIN:** *Come and worship, come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

Shepherds, in the field abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing; Yonder shines the infant light. **REFRAIN**

Saints, before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear;  
Suddenly the Lord, descending, In His temple shall appear. **REFRAIN x2**

**Welcome, Greeting and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

based on Luke 1:46-50

**LEADER:** Our souls magnify the Lord!

**ALL:** Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

**LEADER:** The mighty One has done great things for us!

**ALL:** Holy is God's name!

**LEADER:** Let us worship God.

**ALL:** For God is our Maker and our Redeemer;  
from generation to generation God gives mercy.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Worship Singing**

*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

# Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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Waiting for the consolation of Israel. Luke 2:25

1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Day-spring from on high, ap - pear;  
3. Come to earth to taste our sad - ness, he whose glo - ries knew no end;  
4. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,

from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.  
come, thou prom - ised Rod of Jes - se, of thy birth we long to hear!  
by his life he brings us glad - ness, our Re - deem - er, Shep - herd, Friend.  
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,  
O'er the hills the an - gels sing - ing news, glad tid - ings of a birth:  
Leav - ing rich - es with - out num - ber, born with - in a cat - tle stall;  
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;

dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
"Go to him, your prais - es bring - ing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."  
this the ev - er - last - ing won - der, Christ was born the Lord of all.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

# GOD CLEANSSES US

## Confession of Sin

**ALL:** Father of mercy, God of all comfort: we confess before you the evil of our hearts; we acknowledge that we are too inclined toward anger, jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride, which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings between others and us.

Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you, O long-suffering Father.

Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers, who shall be called the children of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 8:9

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.*

## (8:30) Prayer for the Church and the World

## (11:00) Sacrament of Baptism

Jadon Kabernick

## (11:00) Reception of New Members

Jamie & Elizabeth Kabernick  
Jadon Kabernick, Elisa Kabernick

## Worship Through Giving

(8:30) Worship Singing - *What Child Is This*

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 2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass are feed - ing?  
 3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas - ant, king, to own him;

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
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 Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:  
 Raise, raise the song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
 hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
 joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y.

**(11:00) Adult Choir - The First Noel**

Andrew Huish (2017)

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## **GOD SPEAKS TO US**

**Sermon**

**Immanuel: How Is God with Us?**

**Chad Smith**

*Matthew 1:18-25 | God with Us in the Flesh*

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup> And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly. <sup>20</sup> But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.” <sup>22</sup> Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup> “Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which translated means, “God with us.” <sup>24</sup> And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife, <sup>25</sup> but kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus.

# GOD STRENGTHENS US

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(BREAD)

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Traditional English carol  
 Adapted by William C. Dix, ca. 1865

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 English melody, 16th cent

## GOD SENDS US

God's Promise of His Presence and Blessing