

### Home Bulletin

December 04, 2022

Pre-Service Music	Andy Glynn			
Welcome and Announcements	Darren Woodke, Liturgist			
<u>Prelude</u>	Andy Glynn			
<b>Congregational Introit</b> <i>"Little Bethlehem of Judah"</i> #113 NCH	Congregation			
Lighting of the Advent Candle				
Watch and wait for Christ's coming!				
We light this candle in hope. (Light the first candle.) We light this candle for peace. (Light the second candle.)				
Hymn "Light One Candle to Watch for Messi	<i>iah"</i> CTC Choir			
Hear God's promise of peace from Isaiah 11:1-10:				
A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.				



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Let us pray:

Faithful God, you are at work to restore all of creation in its intended harmony. Give us your shalom that we may be reconciled to all enemies in the peace that passes all understanding through Christ Jesus our Lord. God of promise, God of hope, into our darkness come.

* <u>Opening Hymn</u>	<i>"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"</i> #82 GTG	Congregation
* Call to Confession		Liturgist
* Prayer of Confession		Liturgist

Unison: When our faith is rooted deeply in you, O God, our lives reflect your kingdom values of justice and righteousness, but sometimes our lives become so entangled with the values of the world, that your values take second place.

Forgive us, O God, and reconnect us to the Holy Spirit, source of power and life.

Merciful God, strip our hearts and minds of all that prevents our lives being firmly rooted in you. May our lives bear fruit worthy of our faith in you, as we watch and wait for your breaking into our world once more, in the person of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen

#### \* Time of Silence for Personal Prayers of Confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

**\*Responding to Grace**: "Gloria" (Refrain from Angels We Have Heard on High)

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Jesus Loves Me/Time With Young Disciples



#### Scripture Reading Luke 1:26-38

# Second Week of Advent

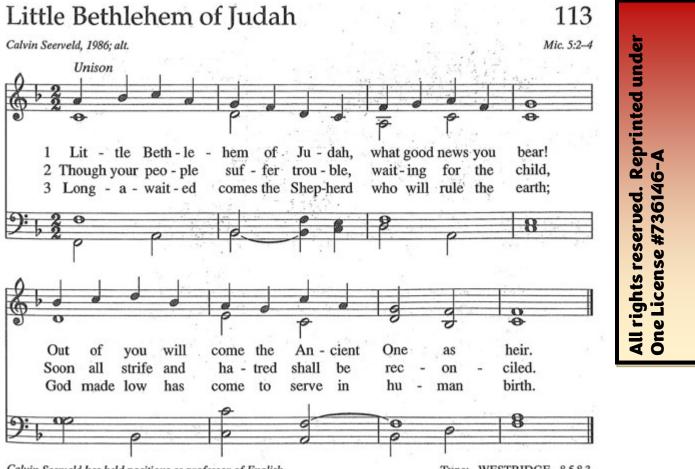
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In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

Choral Anthem	<i>"We Await You"</i>	CTC Choir
<u>Sermon</u>		Paster Jane Young
* <u>Sermon Hymn</u>	<i>"With Joy Draw Water"</i> #109 NCH	Congregation
Joys and Concerns		
Call to Prayer	"Advent Prayer"	CTC Choir
Prayer & The Lord's Pray	<u>ver</u>	
Call to Offering		
Prayer of Dedication		
* <u>Doxology</u>		
* <u>Closing Hymn</u>	"Go My Children, With My Blessing" #82 NCH	Congregation
* Charge, Benediction		
<u>Postlude</u>		Andy Glynn



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Calvin Seerveld has held positions as professor of English literature and philosophy and, since 1972, has been senior member in the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto. He was on the committee appointed to revise the Psalter Hymnal. Tune: WESTRIDGE 8.5.8.3. Martin F. Shaw, 1929

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JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT



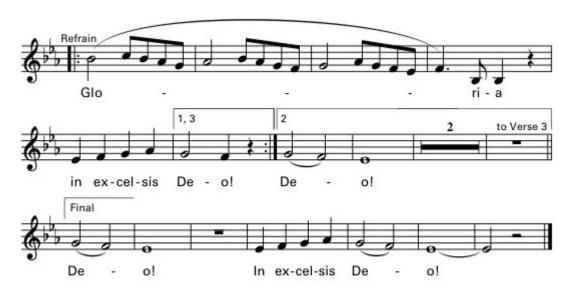
With its opening "Come," this hymn sounds the note of entreaty and invitation that characterizes the Advent season (from the Latin *adventus* = "coming"). Its blending of memory and hope helps us to give voice to our present faith as we stand between the past and the future.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1744 MUSIC: Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1830; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7.D (alternate tune: STUTTGART, 83) All rights reserved. Reprinted under One License #736146-A



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Responding to Grace:



Text: 77 77 with refrain; trad. French carol, ca. 18th cent.; tr. fr. Crown of Jesus Music, II, London, 1862; tr. by James Chadwick, 1813–1882, and others, alt. Music: Trad. French carol; arr. © 2013, Spirit & Song, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

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With Joy Draw Water

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CLOSE OF WORSHIP

Go, My Children, with My Blessing 82 Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983, 1990; alt. 0 my chil-dren, 1 Go, with my bless-ing, nev er a - lone; 2 Go. my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos er to me; 0 Wak ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are own; my in love and by serv-ing, ful free. Grow love joy and In my love's bap - tis-mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er, pow-er filled you, here with ten - der com-fort stilled you; Here my Spir - it's -Go, my chil - dren, with you my bless-ing, are my own. Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy ful and free.

For marriage services, this stanza may be sung between stanzas 1 and 2 above.

In this un-ion I have joined you hus-band and wife, Now, my chil-dren, live to-geth-er as heirs of life: Each the oth-er's glad-ness shar-ing, each the oth-er's bur-dens bear-ing, Now, my chil-dren, live to-geth-er as heirs of life.

American hymnwriter and translator Jaroslav Vajda crafted this benediction text as though God were "dismissing the congregation after worship, while drawing together a review of the events that transpired during the service." The wedding stanza was a later addition. Tune: AR HYD Y NOS 8.4.8.4.8.8.8.4. Traditional Welsh melody For another harmonization, see 425 All rights reserved. Reprinted under One License #736146-A