

ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN FOR LIVESTREAM SERVICE OF WORSHIP
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Hymn: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

1. O come, O come, Immanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.

6. O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain

7. O come, Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind.
From dust thou brought us forth to life;
Deliver us from earthly strife.

Refrain

Invocation: Pastor Richard

Advent Wreath: The Koehler Family

Advent Song "Highest Hallelujah"

1) Jesus Christ, from Heaven down to earth
Our salvation through the virgin birth
King of glory held within his mother's arms
Grace appear, hope for every heart

Chorus

Holy, holy

"Come let us adore Him" as the angels sing

Glory, glory

The highest hallelujah to the newborn king

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Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Richard

Scripture Reading: Genesis 3:1-5, 14-15; Colossians 1:15-16

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the
wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to
the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat
from any tree in the garden'?"

²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit
from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say,
'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the
middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or
you will die.'"

⁴"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to
the woman. ⁵"For God knows that when you eat
from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be
like God, knowing good and evil."

Genesis 3:14-15

¹⁴So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because
you have done this,

“Cursed are you above all livestock
and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.

¹⁵ And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring^[a] and hers;
he will crush^[b] your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

Colossians 1:15-16

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

1st Sunday of Advent

Message: “From The Beginning – Christ b.c.”

The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work, 1 John 3:8. Christ was there _____ the foundation of the world,

Christ B. C.

The only begotten Son of God, equal to the Father, was manifested to the angels before the _____ of the world.

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him, Col. 1:15-16.

“Before Abraham was born, I am” John 8:58.

We shouldn’t be surprised to find Christ in the _____.

I. The Context

Satan intended _____ God by ruining paradise.

II. A Prediction

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.” Genesis 3:15. That was a _____.

In the prediction is God’s first promise of _____ found in the Bible.

A. _____ Conflict

“Conflict of the Ages” – the _____ between those who believe in God and those who don’t.

If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. John 15:18-19

B. _____ Defeat

sometimes in this life Satan _____ the battle
when Christ died on the cross, Satan struck His _____.

C. _____ Victory the Cross was really God’s _____ against Satan.

III. What It Means For Us

A. Christian Life Includes _____

Until the day you die you will struggle against _____.

B. Wounded In _____

There is no victory without _____, no progress without _____.

C. Salvation Found In A _____ -

_____ is the first hint of the gospel in the entire Bible.

When God wanted to save the world, He didn't send _____; He sent His Son.

The Woman's Conquering Seed

Charles Wesley's carol "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," includes a verse based on Genesis 3:15 (#240 in UMC hymnal).

We've got to be on the way of transformation _____.

To all who received Him, to those who believed in Him, He gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12.

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Offering: Greg Perrone

Hymn: "Hark The Herald Angels Sing"

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King;
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold Him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th' incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

3. Come, Desire of Nations, come
Fix in us Thy humble home.
Rise the woman's conquering Seed,
Bruise in us the serpent's head.
Adam's likeness now efface,
Stamp Thine image in its place,
Second Adam from above,
Reinstate us in Thy love,
Hark, the herald angels sing,
Glory to the newborn King.

4. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild He lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

Benediction

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, Amen, Amen! God, we praise You!
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Participating in today's live stream service:

Dr. Richard Thompson, *Pastor*
Andrew Irvin, *Director of Worship and Music*
Worship Leader: Andrew Irvin
Scripture: Adlai Wilson
Announcements: Adlai Wilson
Offering: Greg Perrone

Instrumentalists:

Organ: Rebecca Spickler
Keyboard: Aaron Thompson
Piano: Andrew Irvin, Dumisani Irvin
Drums: Dumisani Irvin
Vocals: Andrew Irvin, Kathleen Schaffer

Tech:

Sound: James Dethlefson
Live Stream Camera: Ed French
Projection: Lucas Metcalf

Greeters: Sheryl Gallion, Scott Wallace

Ushers: Gary Oldham, Greg Perrone, Jan Ramey, Joyce Perrone

Safety Team: Dusty Ramey, Rick McDonald, Ray Bowles, Darryl Holderman

Announcements & Information: November 29, 2020

SMALL GROUPS FOR ADVENT: There's still room for you in a small group (via ZOOM) for an Advent Study. Contact us at the church office by phone 325-1267, or by email, office@fumcbakersfield.org. We have a men's, ladies, and co-ed group available.

SPECIAL OFFERING - United Methodist Student Day is November 29. The Gift of Hope scholarship, supported through the United Methodist Student Day offering, helps to relieve some of the financial pressure the students encounter. Your gifts empower students to obtain a college education and to transform the world. Please designate your gift to FUMC and write Student Day Offering on the memo line.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE! How has God provided for you in 2020? Considering what He did for us in 2020, we can move *Forward in Faith* in 2021 knowing that God will provide for all those who put Him first in their giving through

their generosity to the church. Bring your pledge card to church, drop it in the mail or use our online pledge form found under the giving tab on the church web page.

The Great Christmas Bazaar will be taking place from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Saturday, December 5! As in the past, it is a wonderful mix of beautiful crafts, HOMEMADE treats, a raffle for 3 prizes (raffle tickets are \$1/ea.), and a scrumptious lunch! New this year are the Covid 19 protocols! Lunch tickets are on sale in the Narthex on Sunday and on the church website for \$12 each. Lunch Tickets go up to \$15 Dec. 1. Contact Marti Ingalls, 661-431-4321, if you are interested in helping or providing items for sale.

WHERE'S MY DECEMBER SPIRIT? We will be mailing the December/January Spirit issue on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd.

We Care About Our Church Family! Our office is staffed from 9 AM—4 PM Monday—Thursday, and 9 AM—1 PM on Fridays. Call or stop in!

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