



CALL TO WORSHIP*

God initiates the dialogue
by calling us through his
Word

1 CHRONICLES 16:31-34

LEADER Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,
and let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"

ALL Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it!

LEADER Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.

ALL Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

We respond to God's
gracious initiative through
corporate prayer and
songs of adoration

PSALM 119:10-12

ALL With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!
I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.
Blessed are you, O Lord;
teach me your statutes!

SONGS OF APPROACH

JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of Immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine!

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O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

1.O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie; A -
2.How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n! So
3.O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray; Cast
bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet
God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of His heav'n. No
out our sin, and en - ter in, be born in us to - day. We
in thy dark street shi - neth the ev - er - last - ing Light; the
ear may hear His com - ing, but in this world of sin, where
hear the Christ-mas an - gels the great glad ti - dings tell; O
hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
meek souls will re - ceive Him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.
come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el.

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READING OF THE LAW*

2 TIMOTHY 6:11b-15

As the Lord, Jesus reveals
his will for those that belong
to his Kingdom. In turn,
we recognize our sin and
respond with confession

LEADER Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

QUESTION 20

LEADER Why do you call him [Jesus] our Lord?

ALL Because he has ransomed us, body and soul, from all our sins, not with silver or gold but with his precious blood, and has freed us from all the power of the devil to make us his own possession.

CORPORATE AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

We pray with full confidence
that our holy God is merciful
to sinners because of
Jesus Christ

ADAPTED FROM THE ANGLICAN PRAYER BOOK OF AUSTRALIA

ALL O Lord our God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before you now, we all share a deep need, for we are all lost without your grace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Give us true repentance. Forgive us all our wrongs. Transform us by your Spirit to live for you each day, to learn to love and serve each other and, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, to come at last to heaven. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

ROMANS 8:1-4

We believe that on the
cross all our sins--past,
present, and future--
have been paid for

LEADER There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

Mine are days that God has numbered,
I was made to walk with Him.
Yet, I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer,
Though I fall His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing.
I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow,
Darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted,
Christ completes His work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger,
Pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name.
But mine is armor for this battle,
Strong enough to last the war.
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure,
Christ is mine forevermore.

*Come rejoice now, O my soul,
For His love is my reward.
Fear is gone and hope is sure;
Christ is mine forevermore.*

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PASSING OF THE PEACE*

LEADER Through the love and grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
we now have peace with God and with one another. May the
peace of Christ be with you.

ALL And also with you!

We embrace our new
family in Christ with
the peace Jesus has
accomplished by his
death and resurrection

TITHES & OFFERINGS

ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness.

Where is thy sting, death?
Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom,
And point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks,
And earth's vain shadows flee;
In life in death, Lord, abide with me.

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We join as a family in
prayers of adoration,
confession, thanksgiving,
and supplication

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Scan the QR code and submit prayer requests for our church leaders to pray over on Sundays.
Confidential requests will not be shared publicly.



SCRIPTURE READING*

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

Because the Bible is God's
inspired, infallible, and
authoritative word, we
incline our hearts to hear the
reading of Scripture and the
proclamation of the gospel
with a resolve to obey our
risen King

SERMON

ADVENT WEEK 4

THE NEW COVENANT: A HEART MADE NEW

THE LORD'S SUPPER

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Lord's Supper is a
sacrament instituted by God
and to be shared only by
baptized believers who are
members in good standing of
a local church

*we use gluten-free bread for the Lord's Supper

SONG OF FAITH*

HE WHO IS MIGHTY

Oh, the mercy our God has shown
To those who sit in death's shadow.
The sun on high pierced the night;
Born was the Cornerstone.

Unto us a Son is given,
Unto us a Child is born.

**He Who is mighty has done a great thing;
Taken on flesh, conquered death's sting,
Shattered the darkness, and lifted our shame.
Holy is His name. (Holy is His name)**

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Having received
instruction and blessing,
we commit to proclaim
the hope of eternal life
and pursue philanthropy

Oh, the freedom our Savior won;
The yoke of sin has been broken.
Once a slave, now by grace
No more condemnation.

*Now my soul magnifies the Lord.
I rejoice in the God Who saves.
I will trust His unfailing love.
I will sing His praises all my days.*

DOXOLOGY*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

We give glory to God
who is the source of
every blessing

BENEDICTION*

Finally, as God initiated
the dialogue of worship, so
now he concludes our time
together by sending us out
with a word of blessing so that
we might be a blessing to all

NEW?

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