

## ORDER FOR ON-LINE WORSHIP

November 29, 2020

Gathering Music (*sing twice*)      “Emmanuel”  
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel;  
God with us, revealed in us; his name is called Emmanuel.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Responsive Reading:      *A Song of Thanksgiving*      Psalm 65

One: O God of awesome deeds; forgiving God of our salvation,

**All: Hope of the ends of the earth and the farthest seas—**

One: By your great strength you lifted up the mountains;

**All: You silenced the roaring seas, the roaring waves,  
the roar of nations.**

One: The people who live at the earth’s farthest bounds  
are awestruck with signs of you, O God—

**All: The gateways of morning and evening shout for joy.**

One: You visit the earth and water it; you fill it with richness.

**All: The river of God fills with water  
as you provide grain for your people.**

One: You water the furrows, settle the ridges,  
soften the soil and bless it with growth.

**All: You crown the year with your bounty;  
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.**

One: The wilderness pastures overflow;  
the hills wrap themselves in joy.

**All: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks;  
the valleys deck themselves with grain.**

**they shout and sing together  
for they are alive with abundant joy.**

One: We wait for your coming, O God, with Hope!

**All: With hearts filled with Hope, we wait!**

Hymn      “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

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

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

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

Prayers

Offerings, Doxology and Prayer

Second Reading      Isaiah 40:1-11

Hymn                    “Comfort, Comfort Ye My People”

Comfort, comfort ye my people;  
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;  
comfort those who sit in darkness,  
mourning 'neath their sorrow's load.  
Speak ye to Jerusalem  
of the peace that waits for them;  
tell her that her sins I cover,  
and her warfare now is over.

For the herald's voice is crying  
in the desert far and near,  
bidding all men to repentance,  
since the kingdom now is here.  
O that warning cry obey!  
Now prepare for God a way;  
let the valleys rise to meet him,  
and the hills bow down to greet him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked,  
make the rougher places plain;  
let your hearts be true and humble,  
as befits his holy reign.  
For the glory of the Lord  
now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
and all flesh shall see the token  
that his word is never broken.

Sermon

Benediction

Response                    “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

O come, O come, Immanuel, and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Postlude