





**Prelude**

*Silent Night*

instrumental

arr. Andy Clark

**Welcome**

Pastor Michael Anderson

**Advent Wreath**

The Candles of Hope, Peace, and Joy

*Congregation, please read **bold** portions.*

We light these candles as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

**Advent means coming. We are preparing for the full coming of God's kingdom:**

The nations shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more. -from Isaiah 2:4

**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.** -Isaiah 11:6

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,  
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,  
and rejoice with joy and singing. -Isaiah 35:1-2

**Let us walk in the light of the Lord.**



## Prepare the Way

text, Isa 40:3; 52:10; music, Jacques Berthier

Pre - pare the way of the Lord;

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And all peo - ple will see the sal -

va - tion of our God.

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## GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

### Call to Worship

Revelation 15:3-4

Elder Jerry Gortmaker

And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

“Great and amazing are your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!  
Just and true are your ways,  
O King of the nations!  
Who will not fear, O Lord,  
and glorify your name?  
For you alone are holy.  
All nations will come  
and worship you,  
for your righteous acts have been revealed.”



\* *Make a Way*

Porter's Gate



1. Come, Son of God, and make us new.
2. Come, pro - mised since our E - den's end.
3. Come, Son of Man, to show the way.



Light of the world, our hearts re - new. Hope in our in - ner  
Child of the wo - man, come de - fend. Long have we felt the  
O, through the tears may we see the day! So long did we in



dark - ness lies; O, heal - ing sun of jus - tice rise. \_\_\_\_\_ to Vs 2  
ser - pent's sting. Come, strike his head and mer - cy bring. \_\_\_\_\_ to Chorus  
dark - ness dwell; come down to break the chains of hell. \_\_\_\_\_ to Chorus



O make a way! \_\_\_\_\_ O - pen wide the gates. \_\_\_\_\_ O make a way



\_\_\_\_\_ through the sor - row and the pain! \_\_\_\_\_ O make a way



though the road is dark and wind - ing, O come, come! \_\_\_\_\_ to Vs 3



(3 times)  
Come, come, come make a way! \_\_\_\_\_ O come, come make a way. \_\_\_\_\_



*\* I Saw the King*

by Daniel Mayoros



1. I saw the arm - ies of an - gels a - ris - ing, the
2. I heard the tongues of the ho - ly ones sing - ing, ~
3. Un - der his feet ev - 'ry moun - tain shall crum - ble, ~
4. Look to his com - ing! You sleep - ers, a - wak - en! ~



ban - ners of hea - ven ap - peared on the clouds.  
 an - thems of che - ru - bim thun - d'ring on high,  
 val - leys a - rise to pre - pare him a way.  
 Where he ap - proach - es the sha - dows de - part.



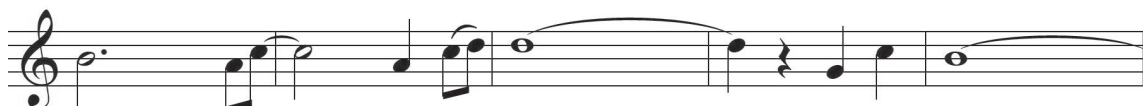
I saw the King in his glo - ry ar - riv - ing, the  
 voic - es on voic - es in har - mon - y ring - ing. ~  
 So shall the pride - ful be - fore him be hum - bled, ~  
 Feel, from your arms Sa - tan's fet - ters are break - ing. ~



cry goes \_\_\_\_\_ up, \_\_\_\_\_ "Our sal - va - tion is near!" to Vs 2  
 All God's re - deemed join the heav - en - ly choir. to Chorus  
 and the af - flic - ted be raised to his side. to Chorus  
 Lift up your heads and re - joice in the light! to Chorus



See the King \_\_\_\_\_ up-on his throne; \_\_\_\_\_ see the



vic - to - ry \_\_\_\_\_ he has won! \_\_\_\_\_ See his love \_\_\_\_\_





## \* Invocation

### GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

#### Call to confession

Galatians 5:1

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

**Prayer of confession** *followed by a time of silent confession*

#### Declaration of Forgiveness

II Samuel 22:32-36

...who is God, but the Lord?  
 And who is a rock, except our God?  
 This God is my strong refuge  
 and has made my way blameless.  
 He made my feet like the feet of a deer  
 and set me secure on the heights.  
 He trains my hands for war,  
 so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.  
 You have given me the shield of your salvation,  
 and your gentleness made me great.

8:30 service *On the final verse of the song below, 4- to 5- year-olds are invited to the foyer to join Christ Kids Worship and will return following the sermon.*

11:15 service *Church bags are available in the foyer for 4- to 5-year-olds who need some quiet activities during the sermon.*



\* *The God We Love (Nicene Creed)*

by Rich Thompson, Jonny Robinson  
& Matt Redman



1. We be-lieve in one God, the  
2. For the world and for our sal -



Fa - ther, the Al - might - y, the Mak - er of  
va - tion, he came down from the heav - ens a -



all, the One who rules the seen and un - seen. We be -  
bove, born of a vir - gin and the Spir - it, tru - ly



lieve and we a - dore. Je - sus Christ, one Lord of cre -  
man and tru - ly God. He was cru - ci - fied un - der



a - tion, from the Fa - ther, be - got - ten, not made. He is the  
Pi - late, suf - fered death and was laid in the grave. And in ac -



Light from Light e - ter - nal and the God of ev - 'ry  
cor - dance with the scrip - tures, on the third, He rose a -



# CHORUS

age. All glo - ry to the Fa - ther now, all

hon - or to the Son. And praise the Spir - it,

now and al - ways. This is the God we love.

1st time to Vs 2  
2nd time to Bridge

# BRIDGE

And Christ has made his as - cent in - to the heav - ens a - bove,

The Ho - ly Spir - it has come, voice of the proph - ets of God,

where he sits at the Fa - ther's right hand now, but He will come back a - gain sent to us, he has giv - en us new life. For - giv - en now and bap - tized,

and He will judge in truth.  
one ho - ly church we rise,

to 2nd line of Bridge  
werise! to Chorus



## GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US

### \* Scripture reading

Exodus 13:17-22, 14:1-4, 10-14, 21-22, 28-31

<sup>13:17</sup> When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near. For God said, "Lest the people change their minds when they see war and return to Egypt." <sup>18</sup> But God led the people around by the way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea. And the people of Israel went up out of the land of Egypt equipped for battle. <sup>19</sup> Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for Joseph had made the sons of Israel solemnly swear, saying, "God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones with you from here." <sup>20</sup> And they moved on from Succoth and encamped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness.

<sup>21</sup> And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night. <sup>22</sup> The pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.

<sup>14:1-4</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, <sup>2</sup> "Tell the people of Israel to turn back and encamp in front of Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, in front of Baal-zephon; you shall encamp facing it, by the sea. <sup>3</sup> For Pharaoh will say of the people of Israel, 'They are wandering in the land; the wilderness has shut them in.' <sup>4</sup> And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will pursue them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, and the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord." And they did so.

<sup>10</sup> When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> They said to Moses, "Is

it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? <sup>12</sup> Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness."

<sup>13</sup> And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. <sup>14</sup> The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

<sup>21</sup> Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. <sup>22</sup> And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

<sup>28</sup> The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. <sup>29</sup> But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

<sup>30</sup> Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. <sup>31</sup> Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Elder: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

### \* Prayer



**Sermon**

Moses: The King Who Delivers

Pastor Andrew VanderMaas

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## DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

\* *O Come O Come Emmanuel*

Trinity Hymnal 194 Verses 1-3, 5

**Advent Offering Highlight**     Ukraine

video from Vasyl and Viktoria  
introduced by Sasha and Debbie Bukovietski

**Living out our faith**     announcements about the life of the church

### Prayers of the People

*During the offertory please pass the red friendship pads found at the end of the rows.*

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**Offertory**     *So Long, Moses*     solo     by Andrew Peterson

So long, Moses. Hello Promised Land  
It was a long, long road but your people are home  
So long, Moses.  
Hello, Joshua. Goodbye, Canaanites.  
We're coming to town, twelve tribes and no crown.  
No crown, O Lord

We want a king on a throne  
Full of power, with a sword in his fist  
Will there ever be a king like this?

Hello Saul, first king of Israel.  
You were foolish and strong so you didn't last long  
Goodbye, Saul.  
Oh, but hail, King David, shepherd from Bethlehem  
Set the temple of God in mighty Jerusalem

He was a king on a throne  
Full of power, with a sword in his fist  
Has there ever been a king like this?  
Full of wisdom, full of strength,  
the hearts of the people are his  
Hear, O Israel, was ever there a king like this?

So hello, prophets. The kingdom is broken now  
The people of God, they've been scattered abroad.  
For how long, O Lord?  
Oh, so speak, Isaiah, prophet of Judah  
Can you tell of the One?  
This king's going to come

Will he be a king on a throne  
Full of power with a sword in his fist?  
Prophet, tell us: will there be another king like this?  
Full of wisdom, full of strength,  
The hearts of the people are his  
Prophet, tell us, will there be another king like this?

Isaiah said,  
"He'll bear no beauty or glory. Rejected, despised,  
A man of such sorrow, we'll cover our eyes.  
He'll take up our sickness, and carry our tears.  
And for His people, He will be pierced  
He'll be crushed for our evils, our punishment feel  
And by His wounds, we will be healed"

From you, O Bethlehem, small among Judah  
A ruler will come, ancient and strong.



**\* Advent Sending Song**

*The King Shall Come*

text, Greek, tr. John Brownlie  
music, Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music



The King shall come when morn - ing\_\_dawns and  
light and beau - ty brings. Hail, Christ the\_\_ Lord! Your  
peo - ple\_\_ pray: Come quick - ly, King of kings.

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**\* Benediction**

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward  
and ring the bells as we sing our closing Amen song.

**\* Amen Alleluia**



A - men. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia, a - men.

*Prayer Partners are available to pray with you right now. Come to the area by the organ with anything on your heart: praise, fears, questions, thanksgiving. We'll sit down and pray together.*

**\* Postlude**

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

arr. Clark

**Cover art**  
Claire Wiest

**Worship musicians**  
Betsy Bray, song leader  
Samuel Wakeman, bari sax  
Susan Guerra, piano

Mark Lundell, bass  
John Bratt, drums