



O Come Emmanuel, by Michael Torevell



MOUNT HOLLYWOOD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

and
HOLLYWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ *Order of Worship* ~

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Gathering Music

Joe Lawrence

Introit*The First Nowell*

Traditional English Carol

Mount Hollywood Ensemble

Solo*Holy Infant's Lullaby*

Norman Dello Joio

Rada Jovicic, soloist

Welcome and Gathering Prayer

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

Lighting the Advent and Christ Candles

Carmen Fried & Ted Goulet

One: Tonight, we proclaim that God's light has come into the world and nothing can overcome it. Prepare the way, for hope with courage, for peace with justice.

All: May hope and peace be birthed among, within, and through us.

One: Prepare the way, for collective joy, for love enfleshed.

All: May joy and love be birthed among, within, and through us.

One: We light the Christ candle, the light of the world, the light of possibility!

All: Emmanuel, God with us!

One: May we bring Christ's hope, peace, joy and love into the world.

All: Gloria! Christ is born!***Congregational Carol** *O Come, All Ye Faithful, Verses 1 & 2***Scripture Reading**

Luke 2: 1-7

Karla Richards

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Solo*A Cradle in the Shadow of a Cross*

Damaris Carbaugh

Greg Carson, soloist

Congregational CarolAway in a Manger*

Scripture Reading

Luke 2: 8-14

Bill Richards

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

Duet

All Things Are Possible (Gabriel)

Melanie Penn

Autumn Lawrence & David Weinreb, soloists

Scripture Reading

Luke 2: 15-20

Carmen Fried

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Christmas Meditation

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

***Congregational Carol**

Love Has Come

Invitation to the Offering

Carmen Fried

Offertory

Be Born in Me (Mary)

Francesca Battistelli

Autumn Lawrence, soloist

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*



The musical notation consists of five staves of music in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below each staff.

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble
with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)

Carmen Fried

All: This is the night of miracles! This is the night of wonders! With these gifts, dear God, let us rejoice in the miracles around us. Let us rejoice in your goodness and love. Let our gifts help point to your presence in this place, and further your dream for the world through Jesus, Emmanuel, God-with-us. Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving

This is an open table. No matter where you are on Life's Journey, you are welcome here!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh
you have opened the eyes of faith
to a new and radiant vision of your glory,
that, beholding the God made visible,
we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending

***Holy Holy Holy**

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G clef, common time. The lyrics are written in blue below each staff:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

***Thanksgiving at the Table**

In the night in which he was betrayed,
Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

***Lord's Prayer/Our Common Prayer**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

***Our Father/Mother/Creator, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses/debts,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us/our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Communion

Communion Song

***Prayer After Communion**

Let us pray. Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

***Sending of Communion**

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Lighting of the Candles*O, Holy Night*

Adolphe Adam

Leslie Koch, Autumn Lawrence & Rada Jovicic, soloists

Benediction

Rev. Ashley Hiestand

One: Go in peace, go in proclamation. Let your very life- all that you say and do, all that you are- preach and proclaim the good news...

**All: that the Christ born long ago in Bethlehem is born again and again in you and me.
Let us take his light out into the world!**

Sending Congregational Carol*Silent Night*

At the conclusion of Silent Night, you are invited to take your lit candle out the front doors into the narthex and out into the community in silence.

We ask you to please refrain from blowing out your candle in the sanctuary.

Many thanks to all those who were a part of the service this evening. Wishing you all a joyful and safe holiday season!

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Hybrid Sunday Celebration at 10:30 am

Pastor Ashley Hiestand

Moderator Daren Sprawls

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Sunday Services at 10 am

Pastor Edgardo Ramirez

Council President: Tom Scott

Sexton: Abilo Salguero

* You are welcome to stand in mind, body, or spirit as you feel led.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Latin: John F. Wade, 1711-1786

Tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, and others

ADESTE FIDELES *Irregular*
John F. Wade's "Cantus Diversi," 1751

The musical score consists of four staves of music in common time, key signature of one sharp (F#), and treble and bass clefs. The lyrics are integrated with the music, appearing below the staves where the vocal parts are silent or where the melody changes.

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove!

Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord! A-men.

Away in a Manger

Anon., United States, 1885; st. 3, 1892; alt.

Luke 2:7

F B♭ F

1 A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed, the
2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the poor ba - by wakes, but
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay close

C7 F

lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head. The
lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes. I
by me for - ev - er and love me, I pray. Bless

F B♭ F

stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the
love you, Lord Je - sus; pro - tect me, I pray, and
all the dear chil - dren in your ten - der care, and

C7 F B♭ C7 F

lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
stay by my side un - til night turns to day.
fit us for heav - en to live with you there.

Love Has Come



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to
what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

Silent Night, Holy Night

Joseph Mohr, 1792-1848
Tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885

STILLE NACHT *Irregular*
Franz Gruber, 1787-1863

The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time (indicated by a 'C') and G clef. The first staff is for the soprano voice, the second for the bassoon, and the third for the piano. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes where they correspond to the vocal parts.

1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm, all is bright
2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep-herds quake at the sight,
3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God, love's pure light

Round yon vir - gin moth-er and child. Ho - ly in-fant so ten - der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav-en a - far, Heaven-ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia;
Ra - diant beams from thy ho-ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,

Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.