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Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ Lessons & Carols



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Serving Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Ryan Wiksell	Intercessor	Mindy Swayne
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Cantor	Aaron Crossley	Usher	Mindy Swayne
Pianist	Rachel Swaney	Livestream	Corban Crossley

Advent Lessons & Carols

Prelude / Candle Lighting

Processional

"As the Dark Awaits the Dawn"

Cherwien/Schalk

C F C F G

1. As the dark a - waits the dawn, ___ so we a - wait your
2. As the blue ex - pec - tant hour ___ be - fore the sil - v'ring
3. As the moon re - flects the sun ___ un - til the night's de -
4. Shine your fu - ture on this place, ___ en - light - en ev - 'ry

C A_m F G

light. ___ O Star of prom - ise, scat - ter night, lov - ing
 skies, ___ we long to see your day a - rise, whole and
 crease, ___ may we your heal - ing light re - lease, liv - ing
 guest, ___ that through us stream your ho - li - ness, bright and

E_m F C G F C

bright, lov - ing bright, ___ till shades of fear are gone.
 wise, whole and wise, ___ O lu - cent Morn - ing Star.
 peace, liv - ing peace, ___ un - to your ho - ly dawn.
 blest, bright and blest, ___ come dawn, O Sun of grace.

Celebrant Blessed is the king who comes in the Name of the Lord.

People Peace in heaven, and glory in all creation.

Celebrant The Lord speaks the word of peace,

People Peace for all faithful people,

Celebrant And those who turn to God in their hearts

People Shall see God's glory dwell in our world.

Celebrant Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Peace in heaven, and glory in all creation.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

4th Sunday of Advent, Year B

Gracious God, through the ages you sent your promise to your people in many ways, through many voices, but in these last days, you sent your Son to bring your promise to us in person. Prepare us, we pray, to recognize your Son as he comes to us and to receive him as our Lord and our Savior. *Amen.*

Celebrant Come, Lord Jesus, come.

All **Be our King of peace,
be our new Light in your new day,
be our Key of David, be our Root of Jesse,
be our Mighty Lord and Provider,
be our Wisdom, and be our Emmanuel. Come.**

O King of peace, desire of nations, come save us, whom you formed out of the clay, and unite us as your people.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*verse 7 and refrain*)

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O come, Desire of Nations, bind / in one the hearts of all mankind;
bid thou our sad divisions cease, / and be thyself our King of Peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Psalm 10:1, 12, 14-15, 18-19

Why do you stand so far off, O Lord, and hide yourself in time of trouble?
Rise up, O Lord; lift up your hand, O God; do not forget the afflicted.
Surely, you behold trouble and misery; you see it and take it into your own hand.

The helpless commit themselves to you, for you are the helper of orphans.

The Lord will hear the desire of the humble; you will strengthen their heart and your ears shall hear;

To give justice to the orphan and oppressed, so that mortals may strike terror no more.

Hope of the World

1. Hope of the world, O Christ of great com - pas - sion,
2. Hope of the world, God's gift of our re - demp - tion,

speak - ing our fear - ful hearts by con - flict torn,
bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,

Save us your peo - ple from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
Still let your Spir - it un - to us be giv - en

from false pur - suits through which our lives are worn.
to heal earth's wounds and end its bit - ter strife.

Celebrant O Dayspring, splendor of light everlasting,

All Come down on all who sit in darkness or who sit in the shadow of death.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *(verse 6 and refrain)*

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O come thou Dayspring from on high, / and cheer us by thy drawing nigh

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, / and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Psalm 16:7-11

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night.
I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit.
You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Abide with Me



1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven - tide;
2. I need your pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;



The shad-ows deep - en, Lord, with me a - bide;
I need your grace to foil the tempt - er's power.



When oth - er help - ers fail, and com - forts flee,
Give me your love my guide and stay to be.



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide - with me.

Celebrant O Key of David, what you open no one can close,

**All and what you close, no one can open. Come rescue those whom this world
has imprisoned and close forever the way of misery.**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *(verse 5 and refrain)*

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O come, thou Key of David, come, / and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high, / and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Psalm 5:1-5, 7-8

Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my meditation.

Hearken to my cry for help, my King and my God, for I make my prayer to you.

In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; early in the morning I make my appeal and
watch for you.

For you are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, and evil cannot dwell with you.

Braggarts cannot stand in your sight; you hate all those who work wickedness.

But as for me, through the greatness of your mercy I will go into your house;

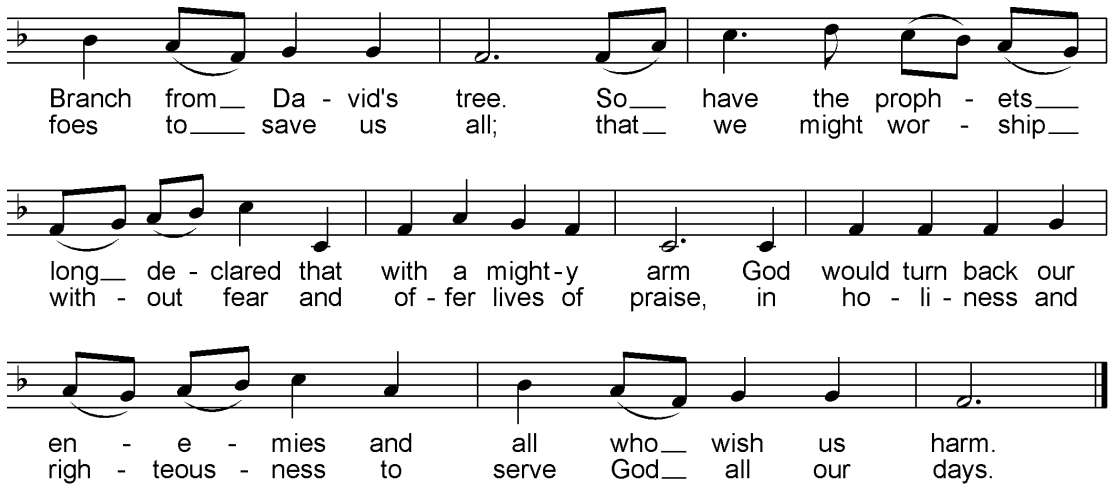
I will bow down toward your holy temple in awe of you.

Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness, because of those who lie in wait for me;
make your way straight before me.

Blessed Be the God of Israel

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to__ set us
2. With promised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re -

free and rais - es up new hope__ for__ us: a
call, the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham, from



Branch from Da - vid's tree. So have the proph - ets
foes to save us all; that we might wor - ship
long de - clared that with a might - y arm God would turn back our
with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in ho - li - ness and
en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
righ - teous - ness to serve God all our days.

Celebrant O Root of Jesse, on whom the Spirit of the Lord shall rest,

All Come be our defender as well as our judge, and bring to this world your new order.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*verse 4 and refrain*)

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O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree, / free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save, / and give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Isaiah 11:1-6

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. 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.

With Joy Draw Water

McKinstry



1. A ___ shoot has sprung from ___ Jes - se's tree; of ___
 2. With ___ love the poor will ___ be re - ceived; the ___
 3. The ___ wolf shall lie down ___ with the lamb; the ___



God the cho - sen ___ One. ___ A branch of knowl - edge and of
 proud will turn a - side; ___ And faith - ful - ness will be a
 calf and li - on ___ play. ___ God's peace shall dwell with - in the



truth; a gift of love has come! _____
 path, and righ - teous - ness the guide! _____
 land; a child shall show the way! _____

Celebrant O Mighty Lord and Provider, who satisfied Israel's needs,

All Come lead us, feed us and write your law on our hearts.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *(verse 3 and refrain)*

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O come, O come, thou Lord of Might, / who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
 in ancient times didst give the law, / in cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Nehemiah 9:11-15

And you divided the sea before them, so that they passed through the sea on dry land, but you threw their pursuers into the depths, like a stone into mighty waters. Moreover, you led them by day with a pillar of cloud, and by night with a pillar of fire, to give them light on the way in which they should go. You came down also upon Mount Sinai, and spoke with them from heaven, and gave them right ordinances and true laws, good statutes and commandments, and you made known your holy Sabbath to them and gave them commandments and statutes and a law through your servant Moses. For their hunger you gave them bread from heaven, and for their thirst you brought water for them out of the rock, and you told them to go in to possess the land that you swore to give them.

Many Gifts, One Spirit

Carmines



1. God of change and glo - ry, God of time and space,
2. God of man - y col - ors, God of man - y signs,
3. Fresh-ness of the morn - ing, new - ness of each night,



when we fear the fu - ture, give to us your grace.
you have made us dif - ferent, bless - ing man - y kinds.
you are still cre - at - ing end - less love and light.



In the midst of chang - ing ways give us still the grace to praise.
As the old ways dis - ap - pear, let your love cast out our fear.
This we see, as shad - ows part, man - y gifts from one great heart.

C F G C F C
 Man-y gifts, one Spir-it, one love known in man-y ways. In our dif-fer-
 C G C
 ence is bless-ing, from di-ver-si - ty we praise one Giv-er, one Lord,
 C C
 one Spir-it, one Word known in man - y ways, hal-low-ing our
 F C G7 C
 days. For the Giv - er, for the gifts, praise, praise, praise!

Celebrant O Holy Wisdom, continuing to form and nurture your creation,

All Come heal our blindness and teach us your compassion.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*verse 2 and refrain*)

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O come, thou Wisdom from on high, / who orderest all things mightily,
 to us the path of knowledge show, / and teach us in her ways to go.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

A Reading

Isaiah 40:10-15

See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him;
 his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.
 He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms,
 and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens
with a span,
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and
the hills in a balance?
Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counselor has instructed him?
Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice?
Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?
Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales;
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.

Lead Us from Death to Life

C F G C G/B A_m
Lead us from death to life, from false-hood to truth, from de -

D_{m7} G C D_{m7} C⁷/E C⁷ D_{m7}
spair to___ hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to

G C/E E⁷ A_m D_{m7} G
love, from war to___ peace; let peace fill our hearts, let

E_m A_m D_{m7} C/E D_m/F C/G G⁷ C
peace fill our world, let peace fill our u - ni - verse.

1. Still all the an - gry cries, still all the an - gry guns,
 2. So man - y lone - ly hearts, so man - y bro - ken lives,

still now your peo - ple die, earth's sons and daugh - ters.____
 long - ing for love to break in - to their an - guish.____

Let jus - tice roll, let mer - cy pour down,____ come and
 Come, teach us love,____ come teach us peace,____ come and

teach us____ your way of com - pas - sion.
 teach us____ your way of com - pas - sion.

Celebrant O Emmanuel, our Lord and Savior,

**All Come ransom us, come rescue us and come redeem us, as only you can,
 for we have exiled ourselves from you.**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*verse 1 and refrain*)

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

A Reading

Isaiah 43:1-8, 10-11

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:
 Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears!

You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen,

so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he.

Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.

I, I am the Lord, and besides me there is no savior.

Come, O Long-Expected Jesus

1. Come, O long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set all
2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope to all the

peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re - lease us;
earth im - part; Dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion,

grant us your true lib - er - ty.
en - ter ev - ery long - ing heart.

Celebrant Divided as we are in this world, we pray
People Come be our King of peace.

Celebrant Despairing of the darkness that surrounds us, we pray
People Come be our new Light in your new day.

Celebrant Imprisoned in prisons we have built and maintained, we pray
People Come be our Key of David.

Celebrant Having resisted rules that might restrict our self-gratification, we pray
People Come be our Root of Jesse.

Celebrant Having mistaken our weakness for strength, we pray
People Come be our Mighty Lord and Provider.

Celebrant Having blindly and heartlessly embraced foolishness, we pray
People Come be our Wisdom.

Celebrant And because we need to see and to know that God is with us, we pray
People Come be our Emmanuel, our Lord and our Savior. Amen.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*refrain*)

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Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee O Israel!

Celebrant Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.
People Peace in heaven, and glory in all creation.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

“Emmanuel”

C C/E F G G7 C C/B^b A A/C[#] D_m

Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el, His name is called

G7 G/B C C/E F G G7 C C/B^b

Em - man - u - el; _____ God with us, re - vealed in us;

A A/C[#] D_m G7 F/G G7 F/C C

His name is called Em - man - u - el. _____

The Presentation

“Doxology”

Hymnal #43 v.4

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Him all crea - tures here be - low. Praise

Him a - bove ye heav'n - ly hosts. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (1505? - 1585)

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Hymnal #S-120

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Hymnal #S-124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer D

Celebrant: We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

The Intercessions

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (pause) For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For the city of Independence and Greater Kansas City, for the state of Missouri, for the United States and for the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Diane our Bishop Provisional, for Ryan our Priest, for Larry our Deacon Emeritus, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God and the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, spoken aloud or in the silence of our hearts; (pause) Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, spoken aloud or in the silence of our hearts. (pause) We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (pause) Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant: And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, St. Michael the Archangel, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, 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 as we forgive those who trespass against us, 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



Communion Notes: All are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing. Communion is offered in two kinds: bread and wine. One may receive the bread alone, dip it into the wine, or drink from the chalice after consuming the bread. Sealed, pre-packaged containers of bread and wine are available. Gluten-free bread may be requested by crossing one's hands palms-down. All manners of reception are valid. A blessing may be requested by crossing one's hands over the chest.

Anointing for Healing: After communion is received, those in need of prayer for healing of body, mind or spirit, may join the priest at the kneeler along the wall. Feel free to kneel, or stand, to receive an anointing of oil. Prayer requests may be spoken or unspoken.

Communion

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Hymnal #82

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing +

Closing Hymn

"Soon and Very Soon"

Crouch



1 & 4. Soon and ver - y soon, ___ we are going to see the King! ___
2. No more cry - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___
3. No more dy - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___



Soon and ver - y soon, ___ we are going to see the King! ___
No more cry - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___
No more dy - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___



Soon and ver - y soon, ___ we are going to see the King! ___
No more cry - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___
No more dy - ing there ___ we are going to see the King! ___

Refrain



Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! We're going to see the King! _

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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Abide with Me

Text: Henry F. Lyte

Music: *Eventide*, William H. Monk

Come, O Long-Expected Jesus

Text: Charles Wesley, alt

Music: *Stuttgart*, Christian F. Witt (1660-1716)

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - e
 2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on hig
 3. O come, O come, thou Lord of mi
 4. O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tre
 5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, cor
 6. O come, thou Day - spring from on hig
 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bir

and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el
 who or - derest all things might - i - ly,
 who to thy tribes on Si - nai's heig
 free them from Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny
 and o - pen wide our heaven - ly hor
 and cheer us by thy draw - ing nig
 in one the hearts of all man - kin

that mourns in lone path - ly ex - ile he
 to us the the path of know - ledge he
 in an - cient times didst give the sh
 that trust thy might - y power to sa
 make safe the way that leads on hi
 dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of nig
 bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cea

un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 and teach us in her ways to go.
 in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe. Re - joice! Re - jo
 and give them vic - tory o'er the grave.
 and close the path to mis - er - y.
 and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 and be thy - self our King of Peace.

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!