

WORSHIP GUIDE

Third Sunday of Advent
December 14 • 9:00AM

ADVENT AT CPC



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OPENING MUSIC

"Grand Choeur: Sortie Pour Noël"

Instrumental Ensemble
César Franck/arr. Chaz Bowers

WELCOME

Jonathan Hicks, Executive Pastor

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Dave Appelhof, Greg Goodlund, Tom Gullifrod,
Gene Haman, Dick Hays, Ron Hoffman, Bill Meyer

Carol of Invitation – "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Veni Immanuel

**O come, O Bright and Morning Star, and bring us comfort from afar.
Dispel the shadows of the night, and turn our darkness into light.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall to thee, O Israel.**

Leader: Disappointment in unfulfilled dreams colors our willingness to trust You to do what You have promised. We fear the loss of joy; we lose the anticipation of hope; we become numb to the work of Your Spirit around us and in us.

Unison: When we are afraid to hope, chart a new path for us through our fears, trusting that You will make a way out of the darkness, and bring joy into our world.

Leader: "Arise, shine, for Your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you."

(Isaiah 60:1)

Unison: Come, Lord Jesus, be our light and our salvation.

CHORAL INTROIT

"Raise a Song of Gladness"

Chancel Choir
Jacques Berthier/Taizé Community

CAROL OF JOY

"Joy to the World"

Number 179
Antioch/arr. Ju Young Lee & Lloyd Larson

**Joy to the world! the Lord is come; let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare Him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

**Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns: let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts as we forgive 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. Amen.**

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CHRISTMAS OFFERING VIDEO

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Melissa Schaser, Groups

MUSICAL OFFERING

Chancel Choir & Instrumental Ensemble

“Arise”

Josh Bauder

This piece was originally commissioned in 2024 by the Two Rivers Chorale and the University of Northwestern – St. Paul Music Department. This instrumental accompaniment adaptation has been commissioned in 2025 by Christ Presbyterian Church in honor and celebration of Heather Hood’s 40 years of ministry at CPC.

SERMON

Scripture – Luke 1:5-22, 78-79

Petey Crowder, Senior Pastor

CAROL OF LIGHT AND LIFE

Number 185

“Joyful All Ye Nations Rise (Hark! The Herald Angels Sing)”

Mendelssohn/arr. Mary McDonald

(CHOIR)

*Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies!
Glory to the newborn King! Glory to the newborn King!*

(UNISON)

**Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th’angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”**

(CHOIR)

*Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold Him come, offspring of the Virgin’s womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see: hail th’incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”*

(UNISON)

**Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”**

(CHOIR)

Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies! Amen!

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

“Flourish on Joy to the World”

Instrumental Ensemble

Antioch/arr. Robert A. Hobby

WE THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE for joining the Chancel Choir to lead us in worship today: Lynn Deichert & Jeff Levine, trumpets; Jim Kodner, French horn; Brian Wistrom & Jeff Funk, trombones; Eric Peterson, tuba; Julie Henry, timpani; Tim Rockford, percussion; Ann Riemersma, piano; Ju Young Lee, organ; Heather Hood, conductor.

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