



## Christ Church South

*The Season of Advent*

*In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,  
make a desert in the highway of our God.*

*--Isaiah 40:3*



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Song:

“O Little Town Of Bethlehem”

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in,  
be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
o come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!



Song:

“The First Nowell”



The first Nowell the Angel did say  
Was to certain poor Shepherds in fields as they lay.  
In fields as they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell.  
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far,  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued, both day and night.

Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell.  
Born is the King of Israel.



Song:

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Angels we have heard on high,  
Singing sweetly through the night,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their brave delight.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why these songs of happy cheer?  
What great brightness did you see?  
What glad tidings did you hear?

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.



Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ, the Lord, the new-born King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

See him on a manger laid  
Whom the angels praise above;  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
While we raise our hearts in love

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.



Song:

*“Away in a Manger”*

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky  
looked down where He lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.



Song:

“O Come, all ye Faithful”



O Come All Ye Faithful  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of Angels;

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

God of God, Light of Light  
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb  
Very God  
Begotten, not created

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

See how the shepherds  
Summoned to His cradle  
Leaving their flocks, draw with lowly fear!

We, too, will thither  
Bend our joyful footsteps

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing all ye citizens of Heav'n above.  
Glory to God  
in the highest;

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesus to thee be all glory giv'n.

Word of the Father,  
now in flesh appearing;

O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.



Today's Homily:  
*The Rev. Dr. Cole Hartin*





## The Creed

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from

the Virgin Mary,

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to  
judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic,  
and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



# The Prayers of the People

(Form IV)



Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant almighty God, that all who confess your  
Name may be united in your truth, live together in  
your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the  
nations, in the ways of justice and peace;  
that we may honor one another  
and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours,  
and grant that we may serve Christ in them,  
and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind,  
or spirit, especially Luba, Lisa, Yeva, YK, Iryna, Nora,  
Yevgeny, Paul, Sally, Linda, Dalton, Chris, Mike, Betsey,  
Samuel and for peace in Ukraine, Haiti and the  
Holy Land, and protection and deliverance for hostages;  
give them courage and hope in their troubles,  
and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died,  
especially

Martha Key, wife of Randy Key

that your will for them may be fulfilled;

and we pray that we may share with all your saints  
in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

# Concluding Prayer





## Confession of Sin:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

*We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.*

*Amen.*

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
keep you in eternal life.

*Amen.*

The Peace:

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*And also with you.*



Welcome

Visitors!

*Please go to*

[christchurchTYLER.org/visitor](http://christchurchTYLER.org/visitor)

*or fill out a newcomer card!*



Unto you is born...a Saviour,  
who is the Messiah, the Lord.

## CHRISTMAS

**Christmas Eve - December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Christ Church Downtown**  
**4:00pm Children's Christmas Pageant\***  
**7:30pm Christmas Eve Eucharist\***  
**10:30pm Candlelight Service**

**Christmas Day - December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00am Holy Eucharist**  
**Christ Church Downtown**



\*Nursery available



VENITE [20-40 somethings]

January 11th 5:30 PM

South Campus

*potluck + bonfire + Epiphany reflection*

Potluck theme is "stew + bread + beer".

Bring along your favorite soup/stew or bread along with your favorite drink share with the folks and families of Christ Church.

*RSVP please & indicate allergies to amyehartin@gmail.com*



Sunday, December 29 @ South Campus

NO CHRISTIAN FORMATION  
10:00 Holiday Reception



Offertory &  
Song of Preparation:

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming  
from tender stem hath sprung!  
Of Jesse's lineage coming,  
as men of old have sung.  
It came, a floweret bright,  
amid the cold of winter,  
When half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,  
the Rose I have in mind;  
with Mary we behold it,  
the Virgin Mother kind.  
To show God's love aright,  
she bore to us a Savior,  
When half spent was the night.

This Flower, whose fragrance tender  
with sweetness fills the air,  
Dispels with glorious splendor  
the darkness everywhere;  
True man, yet very God,  
from sin and death He saves us,  
And lightens every load.

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*, Lyrics: Traditional 15<sup>th</sup> century German, Translated: Theodore Baker1982, Music: Es Ist Ein Ros, 1599, Public Domain, 20214482



## Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

*Amen.*





The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a proper preface is sung or said.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with  
Angels and Archangels and with all the company  
of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to  
proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name,  
comes in the name of the Lord.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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.”



Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember his death.*

*We proclaim his resurrection.*

*We await his coming in glory.*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and  
thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;  
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread  
and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honor and glory is yours,  
Almighty Father,  
now and for ever.

*Amen*

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

*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:

# Fraction Anthem

Miserere, miserere, miserere nobis  
dona, dona, dona nobis pacem

Agnus Dei, agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi  
qui tollis peccata mundi

*[Translation: Have mercy on us, Have mercy on us, Lamb of God you  
take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace, grant us your peace  
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, You take away the  
sins of the world]*

*Agnus Dei, Lyrics: traditional Latin, Music: Isaac Wardell, 2013 Bifrost Arts, 20214482*

## Invitation to Communion:

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 Song:

*O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines*

O day of peace that dimly shines  
Through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,  
Guide us to justice, truth, and love,  
Delivered from our selfish schemes.

May the swords of hate fall from our hands,  
Our hearts from envy find release,  
Till by God's grace our warring world  
Shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,  
Nor shall the fierce devour the small;  
As beasts and cattle calmly graze,  
A little child shall lead them all.

Then enemies shall learn to love,  
All creatures find their true accord;  
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled,  
For all the earth shall know the Lord.

O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines, Lyrics: Carl P. Dew, 1982, Music: Josh Garrels, 2015,  
Hope Publishing Company, Small Voice LLC, 20214482



Communion Song:

*Humbly I Adore Thee*



Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen  
who the glory hiddest  
'neath these shadows mean  
low, to thee surrendered ,  
my whole heart is bowed  
tranced as it beholds thee,  
shrined within the cloud.

Taste and touch and vision  
to discern thee fail;  
faith, that comes by hearing,  
pierces through the veil.  
I believe whate're the  
Son of God hath told;  
what the Truth hath spoken,  
that for truth I hold.

O memorial wondrous  
of the Lord's own death;  
living Bread that givest  
all thy creatures breath,  
grant my spirit ever  
by thy life may live,  
to my taste thy sweetness  
neverfailing give.

Jesus, whom now hidden,  
I by faith behold,  
what my soul doth long for,  
that thy word foretold:  
face to face thy splendor,  
I at last shall see,  
in the glorious vision,  
blessed Lord, of thee.

*Humbly I Adore Thee*, Lyrics: Thomas Aquinas,  
Music: Benedictine plainsong, Mode V, 13th century,, Paris, 1697, Public Domain, 20214482



*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.*

*Amen.*

Final Blessing (Celtic):

The Wisdom of God,

The Love of God,

And the Grace of God,

Strengthen you

To be Christ's hands and heart in this world,

In the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

*Amen.*





Recessional

*O Come O Come Emmanuel*

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.

O come, Thou Day-Spring,  
come and cheer

Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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.

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*, Lyrics Translated: J. M. Neale (1851),  
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The Dismissal:

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Go in peace to love and serve  
the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

*Alleluia, Alleluia.*