

∞ ORDER OF WORSHIP ∞

November 28, 2021 • 10:30 a.m.

Frist Sunday of Advent

*“Welcome! all Wonders in one sight!  
Eternity shut in a span,  
Summer in winter, day in night,  
Heaven in earth, and God in man.  
Great little One! whose all-embracing birth  
Lifts earth to Heaven, stoops Heav’n to earth!  
-- Richard Crashaw (1613 – 1649)*

PRELUDE “Mary’s Cradle Song” Max Reger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE HYMN No. 118  
“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.

**People: And the Word was God.**

Leader: He was in the beginning with God

**People: In Him was life;**

Leader: And the Life was the light of men.

**People: And the light shines in the darkness:**

Leader: And the darkness has not overcome it.

**All: Together, let us worship God!**

SONG OF PRAISE HYMN No. 124  
“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

**Eternal God, direct our minds to Your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to discard worthless old habits and offending ways. Strengthen us as we seek to cease our sinning and cast off burdens of shame. Grant us the vision of Jesus, full of goodness, joy and love. Through Him, may we live our lives with a heavenly understanding. And by our witness may we help this broken world find its way to truth and peace. Amen.**  
(moment for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel. Jesus said, “Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

**People: In Jesus Christ, our burdens are lifted, our sins forgiven, and our life restored.**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

**All: In Jesus Christ we are redeemed and made new!**

\*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 622)

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE  
the Tim Parson’s family

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE/ and to the young at heart

ANTHEM “Bethlehem Bound” John Carter & Mary Kay Beall

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:2,6-7

SERMON “His Name Is Wonderful”  
“His name shall be called Wonderful” (Isaiah 9:6).

\*HYMN No. 101 “His Name Is Wonderful” (sing twice)

OFFERING

The Session has decided to return to a more usual offering format. The ushers will come forward to receive your morning offering at each pew. All offerings will then be dedicated in prayer at the chancel.

Offertory

\*Doxology (Hymn No. 625)

Dedication

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)

\*HYMN No. 155 “Once in Royal David’s City”

CHORAL BENEDICTION “Mid-Winter”, v.1 G. Holst, C. Rossetti

POSTLUDE “Prepare the Way of the Lord” George Blake

\* Those who are able, please stand

### **Hanging of the Greens**

Plan to stay today after the worship service for the Hanging of the Greens. We will share a pizza lunch.

### **Thanksgiving Baskets**

Another successful Thanksgiving basket give-away took place from November 18 - 22. Your bountiful giving allowed the food pantry to assemble 135 turkey dinners. Monetary donations, along with food donations from the Food Bank of the Southern Tier, helped fill those baskets. A special thanks goes to the members of the Dryden Presbyterian congregation for allowing us to use your facility to assemble and distribute the food. May you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends. - - Kitchen Cupboard

### **Clothing Shed**

Jackets and warm shirts for men are needed at this time. Please drop them off in the administrative wing cupboard or closet. Thank you for your donations.

### **Coffee Hour**

The Church Life Committee will officially begin to offer Coffee Hour the second Sunday of each month. The sign-up board for the Committees Coffee hour is located on the blue board next to the kitchen. Casual Coffees, not the Committee Coffee Hours, can be provided other Sundays by anyone willing to do just a beverage and stay long enough to clean up and lock doors. The Casual sign-up sheet is next to the Deacon's card. "Casual" Chairperson, please invite someone to help you with the coffee-hour tasks.

### **Office Hours**

The office hours of Pastor Jim Hicks, temporary pastor, are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon.  
Pastor Jim Hicks – 607-898-5201- [hicksjam@verizon.net](mailto:hicksjam@verizon.net)

### **Advent Bible Study**

Join us for "O Night Divine" Bible study! Each day you will spend just three minutes to experience a more prayerful heart as you prepare for our Savior's birth; each Wednesday evening in December (1,8,15,22) you are invited to gather with others to talk about the devotions. The devotional booklet will be mailed to you. The gathering will be entirely on Zoom; join via your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

### **Mitten Tree**

The decorations on our mitten tree are donated to needy Dryden school children. When you are shopping, please remember to purchase a warm hat or mittens to hang on the tree.

### **For Prayer:**

Dave Gross, Bob Sincerbeaux,  
Jim Krebs, Doug Barton

### **Worship for Next Sunday**

December 5, 2021  
Second Sunday of Advent  
Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:20-31  
Sermon: "Full of Surprises"

### **December Celebrations:**

**Saturday, December 4** – Live Nativity on church lawn, 5:00 p.m. Animal handlers and shepherds are needed. Contact Brenda at [btc62020@outlook.com](mailto:btc62020@outlook.com).

**Sunday, December 12** – Mary Hicks and the teens will be ringing the Salvation Army Bell at Clarks Food Mart.

**December 12** – Join Steve Kotula for a special reading of the "Candy Cane Story" during the Children's Message.

**Sunday, December 19** – "Journey to Bethlehem, Follow the Star" will be performed by the youth and special guests; this presentation will be on Zoom.

# Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

## Of the Father's Love Begotten

Verse 1:

Of the Father's love begotten,  
Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the Source, the Ending He,  
Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see,  
Evermore and evermore!

Verse 2:

O ye heights of heav'n adore Him;  
Angel hosts, His praises sing;  
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him,  
And extol our God and King;  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
Ev'ry voice in concert ring,  
Evermore and evermore!

Verse 3:

Christ, to Thee with God the Father,  
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
And unwearied praises be:  
Honor, Glory, and dominion,  
And eternal victory,  
Evermore and evermore!  
Amen

Text: Aurelius C. Prudentius, 4<sup>th</sup> century; translated by John M. Neale and Henry W. Baker  
Music: *Divinum Mysterium*, Plainsong, 13<sup>th</sup> century; arranged by C. Winfred Douglas

Verse 1:

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us;  
Let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation,  
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Verse 2:

Born Thy people to deliver,  
Born a Child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all-sufficient merit,  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Text: Charles Wesley

Music: *Hyfrydol* by Rowland H. Prichard, arr by Robert Harkness

## Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,  
And to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be,  
World without end.  
Amen, Amen.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2<sup>nd</sup> century

Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke

## His Name Is Wonderful

His name is Wonderful,  
His name is Wonderful,  
His name is Wonderful,  
Jesus, My Lord;  
He is the mighty King,  
Master of Everything,  
His name is Wonderful,  
Jesus, my Lord.  
He is the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages,  
Almighty God is He;  
Bow down before Him,  
Love and adore Him,  
His name is Wonderful,  
Jesus, my Lord.

Text and Music: *Mieir*, Audrey Mieir  
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## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken  
Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

## Once in Royal David's City

Verse 1:  
Once in royal David's City  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her Baby  
In a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little Child.

Verse 2:  
He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And His shelter was a stable,  
And His cradle was a stall:  
With the poor, and mean, and lowly  
Lived on earth, our Savior holy.

Verse 3:  
Jesus is our childhood's pattern,  
Day by day like us He grew;  
He was little, weak, and helpless,  
Tears and smiles like us He knew:  
And He feeleth for our sadness,  
And He shareth in our gladness.

Verse 4:  
And our eyes at last shall see Him  
Thro' His own redeeming love;  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heav'n above,  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone.

Text: Cecil F. Alexander  
Music: *Irby*, Hery J. Gauntlett