HYMN OF RESPONSE

BEECHER

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down.

Fix in us Thy humble dwelling; All Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love Thou art.

Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy grace receive; Suddenly return, and never, never more Thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,

Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Aho

POSTLUDE

arr., D. Lasky

"Veni Emmanuel"

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 6, 2020

10:00 - Worship

4:00 - 6:00 - Drive-by and place Chrismon on the outside tree (There will be someone present to assist you)

7:00 - Christmas Reflections at Oxford Baptist (video release)

7:00 - 10:00 - Outside tree and luminaries will be lit

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REVEREND CHRISTOPHER AHO ~ PASTOR MRS. CINDY JOY ~ MINISTER OF MUSIC/YOUTH

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 6, 2020 10:00 AM

Wilderness, exile, tribulation, rejoicing: Your way runs through all these, O God. May we prepare this way anew.

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP

arr., D. Cherwien

"Prepare the Royal Highway"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. Tim Lumpkins

Lift up your voice. Lift it up, do not fear.

Feeding, gathering, carrying, leading: This is how God will come.

The old will pass away. A new world will dawn.

Love, faithfulness, righteousness, peace: These will mark God's new day.

Love needs a path. Peace needs a highway.

Even as we wait, let us make a way for God: In our hearts and in our world.

Let us worship God.

ADVENT HYMN

VENI EMMANUEL

"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 Dayspring, 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 Wisdom from on high, and order all things, far and nigh;

To us the path of knowledge show, and cause us in her ways to go.

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

O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind; Bid envy strife, and quarrels cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

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

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Rev. Aho

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE

Today we light the Candle of Peace, knowing that Jesus alone can bring peace to our hearts and also to our world.

In John 14:27, we read ~

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

We light this candle, as a symbol of the peace that Jesus has given us ~ a peace that passes all understanding.

RESPONSE McGEE

"Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Mr. Lumpkins

Psalm 85:8-13

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Aho

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP

35th Century German Carol

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Tim Cottrell, solo

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 flower bright amid the cold of winter, when half-gone 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 men a Savior, when half-gone 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.

MESSAGE Rev. Aho

"Anxiety and Hope" Mark 1:1-8