



*Worshiping, serving, and living with a fresh vision of  
God's vibrant energy and grace for all.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
December 1, 2024 // 10am

**CENTERING WORDS:** On the first Sunday of Advent the church says,  
Look! Keep awake! Face your profoundest fear, and then, my Love, I have something  
wonderful to show you! ~ Suzanne Guthrie, Edge of the Enclosure

**ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE**

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**GREETING**

One: The God of life be with you.

**All: And also with you!**

**GATHERING SONG** #92 *While We Are Waiting, Come*

Tim Staal

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bruce Rosensteel

One: The world leans into fear, perpetuates foreboding.

**All: And yet we are invited to lift up our heads.**

One: Signs appear all around us, whispering to give up on hope.

**All: And yet we are invited to come and see.**

One: Many places, outside and within, have been laid waste.

**All: And yet we are invited, for redemption draws near.**

One: We have wandered far and wide, longing for peace.

**All: And yet we are always invited to come home.**

One: Come, you are invited.

**All: Come, you are invited.**

One: Let us worship God together.

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Rev. Paul Van Kempen

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God who invites us in,

**All: We know that often we have listened to fear and doubt.**

One: Often we have responded to every call on our lives but your voice.

**All: When signs appear in the sun, moon and stars,**

One: When waves crash and people faint in fear,

**All: When heaven itself shakes the earth,**

One: Give us strength to answer your invitation.

**All: Let us turn our eyes upon you,  
Lift our heads and stand with strength,  
Knowing you have invited us all:  
We will not be afraid. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### TIME WITH CHILDREN

*He Came Down*

**All: He came down that we might have hope (x3)  
Hallelujah, forevermore**

#### LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Alan, Alana, James & Ivy Cocanour

One: Today we light one candle,  
remembering that God has invited us all.

**All: We respond and accept God's invitation  
During this holy season of Advent.**

One: As we prepare our hearts and minds  
For the coming of Jesus this Christmas,

**All:**    **May we share in God's generosity**  
**And invite all people to share in God's love.**

**ANTHEM**

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

arr. Parker and Shaw

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Jeremiah 33: 14 - 16

Luke 21: 25 - 33

One:    The Word of God for the people of God;

**All:    thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Cathy C. Hoop

**\*HYMN**    #357    *The Days Are Surely Coming*

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE**

**LIFE AT FIRST**

*Please take this time to sign the red Friendship Pad found on the pew near you. If you have a prayer request that you would like shared in worship, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering.*

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY** (Printed in the bulletin)

## **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**All:** Joyous God, Originator of all Gifts,  
This day and always, we celebrate the gifts of our hands and hearts.  
We share our talents and time, knowing our energy builds the world  
with love. We share our treasures, knowing that all gifts we entrust to  
your Church will build your Realm. With joy, we devote our first fruits  
to loving you and your children. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**One:** God of Advent,  
**All:** **We are waiting for Love without end:**  
**One:** without conditions, without violence, without fear.  
**All:** **We are waiting for Justice without end:**  
**One:** without vengeance, without hatred, without lies.  
**All:** **We are waiting for Peace without end:**  
**One:** without displacement, without borders, without war.  
**All:** **We are waiting for Restoration without end:**  
**One:** without favoritism, without fatigue, without debt.  
**All:** **We are waiting for Joy without end:**  
**One:** without reservation, without rebuke, without want.  
**All:** **Holy Love, Divine Justice,**  
**God of Peace, Restoration and Joy:**  
**with all the world, we await your coming. Amen.**

*Some choose to begin this prayer, "Our Creator," "Our Mother," or "Our Parent."*

**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 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.**

**COMMUNION HYMN** #507 *Come to the Table of Grace*

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

## **INVITATION**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

**SANCTUS**    #552    *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

**COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*HYMN**    #100    *Canticle of the Turning*

## **CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**SENDING SONG**    #92    *While We Are Waiting Come*

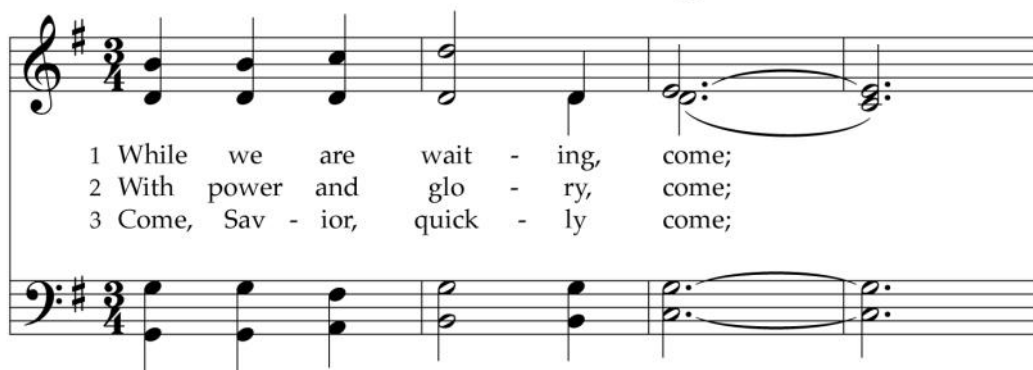
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Tim Staal, Beth Magennis, FPC Choir, Rose Gifford

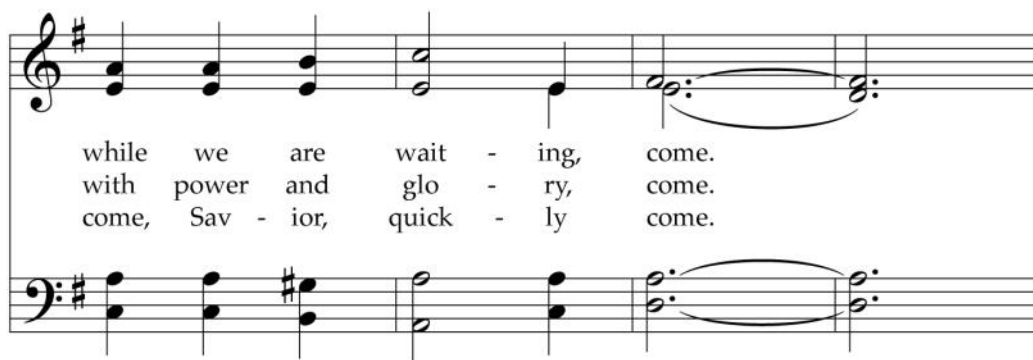
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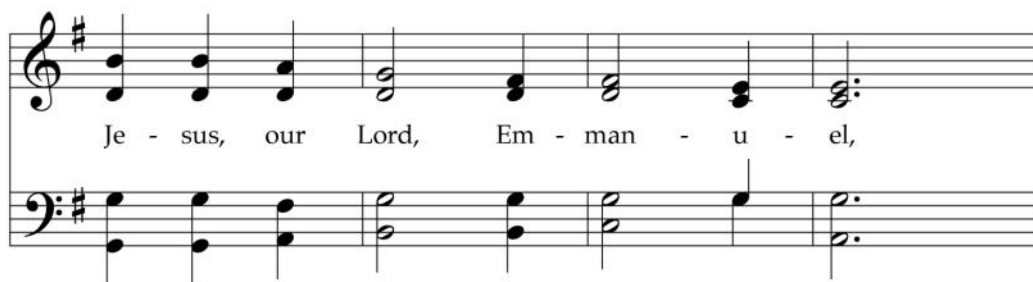
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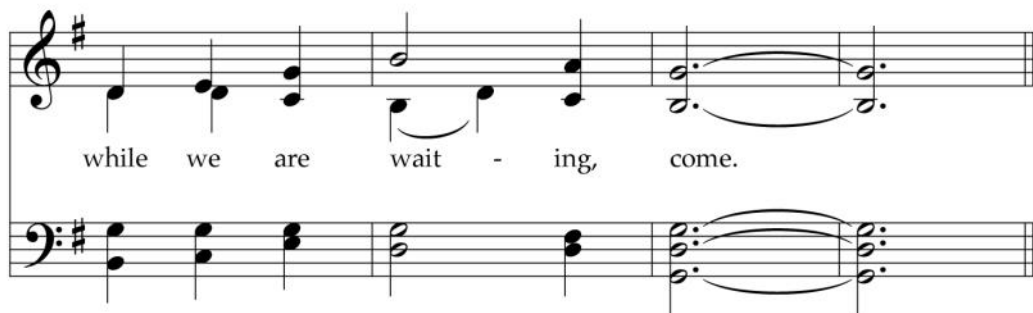
1 While we are wait - ing, come;  
2 With power and glo - ry, come;  
3 Come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come;



while we are wait - ing, come.  
with power and glo - ry, come.  
come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come.



Je - sus, our Lord, Em - man - u - el,



while we are wait - ing, come.

## Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 82

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo-ple free;  
2 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,

from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.  
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra-cious king-dom bring.

Is-rael's strength and con-so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art;  
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;

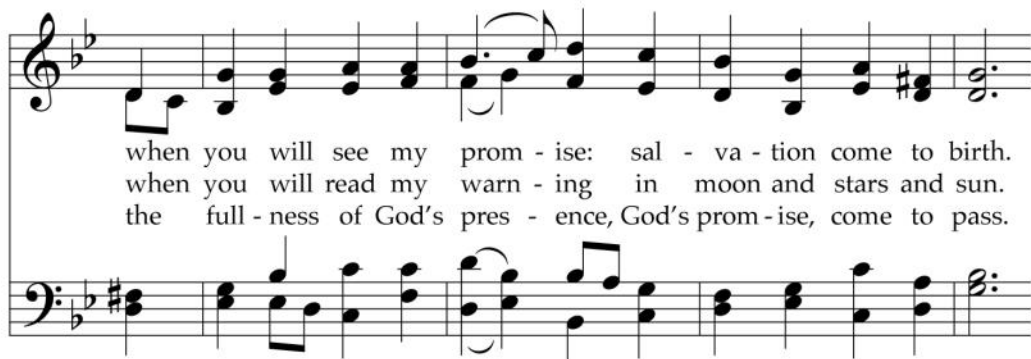
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long-ing heart.  
by thine all - suf-fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo-rious throne.



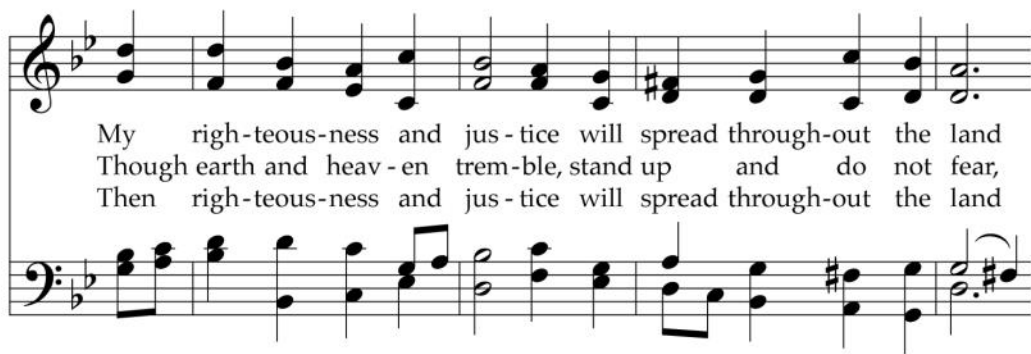
# The Days Are Surely Coming 357



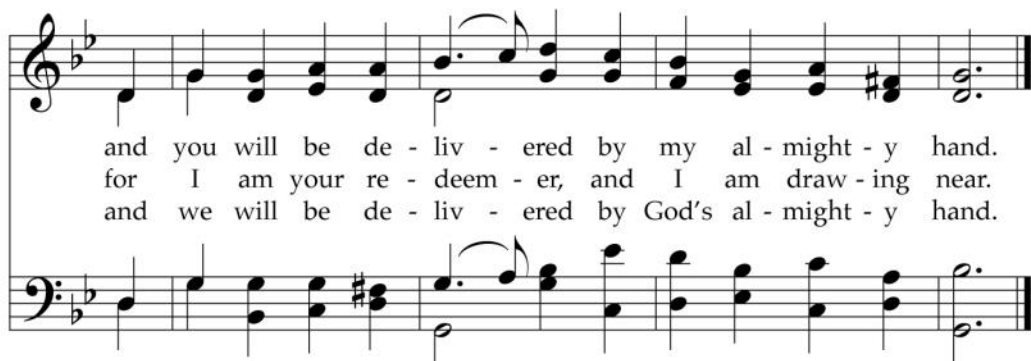
1 The days are sure - ly com - ing, says God to all the earth,  
2 The days are sure - ly com - ing, says Christ, the prom-ised one,  
3 The days are sure - ly com - ing when we will know at last



when you will see my prom - ise: sal - va - tion come to birth.  
when you will read my warn - ing in moon and stars and sun.  
the full - ness of God's pres - ence, God's prom-ise, come to pass.



My righ-teous-ness and jus-tice will spread through-out the land  
Though earth and heav-en trem-ble, stand up and do not fear,  
Then righ-teous-ness and jus-tice will spread through-out the land



and you will be de - liv - ered by my al - might - y hand.  
for I am your re - deem - er, and I am draw - ing near.  
and we will be de - liv - ered by God's al - might - y hand.

# Come to the Table of Grace 507

Capo 3: (D) (A) (Bm) (D7/A) (G)

F C Dm F7/C B $\flat$

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the

(A) (D) (A) (D) (Em)

C F C F Gm

ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's

(D/A) (G) (D/A) (A7) (D) (G) (D)

F/A B $\flat$  F/C C7 F B $\flat$  F

not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

The musical score is written for guitar with a capo on the 3rd fret. It consists of three staves of music in the key of D major (one sharp, F#), with a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and uses a mix of eighth and quarter notes. Chords are indicated above the staff, and lyrics are written below the staff. The first staff covers the first line of the song, the second staff covers the second line, and the third staff covers the third line. The song ends with a double bar line.

## 100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

## Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
 2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you  
 3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a  
 4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
 work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
 jus - tice tears ev - ery ty - rant from his throne.  
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
 The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the  
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread; ev - ery  
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

## Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the



fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the




dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

# Holy, Holy, Holy

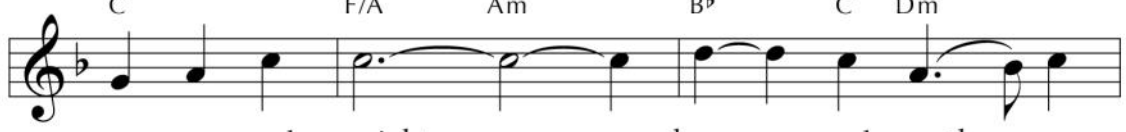
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Capo 3: (D) F (A) C (D) F (G) (A) B<sup>b</sup> C (D) F




1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) C (D/F#) F/A (F#m) Am (G) B<sup>b</sup> (A) (Bm) C Dm



pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) B<sup>b</sup> (D) F (A) (Bm) C Dm (Em7) Gm7 (A) (Dsus) C Fsus (D) F



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: American folk melody; adapt. Marcia Pruner, 1980; arr. Richard Proulx, 1984

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LAND OF REST

## Advent Doxology



The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes various musical notations such as quarter notes, half notes, and dotted half notes, as well as slurs and ties. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, praise God whose i-mage we all bear Praise Christ, whose mer - cy we all share Praise Spi - rit, mak-ing jus - tice grow One God from whom all bless - ings flow. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!'.

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### **Children's Programming During Worship:**

Children of all ages are encouraged and welcome to be with us during worship. If you prefer an alternative:

- Nursery: Newborn - 3 years of age. Available for the whole service.
- Celebration Time - 4 years of age through 1st grade. Available after Children's Time.

### **Education Offerings After Worship:**

Education hour is from 11:15a -12:00p. *All are welcome to participate!*

- Adult Class - Michigan Room
- Youth - Youth Room
- Worship Center - PreK - 5th grade
- Nursery - Newborn through 3 years

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