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# ADORATION

# Prelude

# CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 96

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

#### For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

## Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength! Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

#### Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

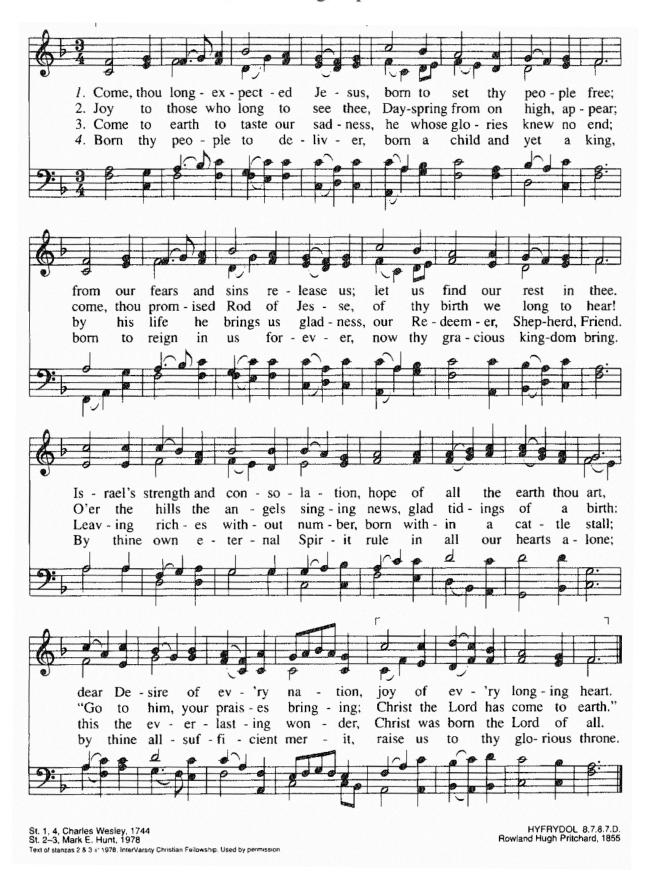
# Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

# PRAYER OF INVOCATION

# Hymn of Adoration

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus





### CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord our God, all creation groans in expectation, longing for full redemption of your coming kingdom. O Sovereign Wisdom, come now and teach us the way to salvation, for we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. Come quickly to deliver us.

Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Lord Jesus. Come and be born in our hearts.

Lord our God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. O Immanuel, desire of the nations and Savior of all. Come with outstretched arm to save us. Without your grace, we are bound to sin and we cannot save ourselves. Come quickly to deliver us.

Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel. Come and be born in our hearts.

Lord our God, our worship is marked by selfishness. We turn away from the brightness of your glory. O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, Come, shine on those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death. Come quickly to deliver us.

Come, O Prince of Peace. Come, O Prince of Peace. Come, O Prince of Peace. Come and be born in our hearts.

# Assurance of Pardon [*from* Luke 1:68-70, 77-79

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old.

This knowledge of salvation is given to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

#### Hymn of Praise

See, Amid the Winter's Snow

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Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ... being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself. Phil. 2:5, 8



O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord. For he alone is worthy, For he alone is worthy, For he alone is worthy, Christ the Lord.

# FORMATION & COMMISSION

# Advent Reading | Jeremiah 33:14-16

# CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

# Reading of the Word Isaiah 9:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** 

# Doxology

Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord Who hath made heaven and earth of naught, And with his blood mankind hath bought. Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel!

# Sermon

Joyful Hope in Darkness Andrew Perkins

# MEDITATION

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER<sup>†</sup> Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding

# BENEDICTION

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# Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

The LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him. Hab. 2:20

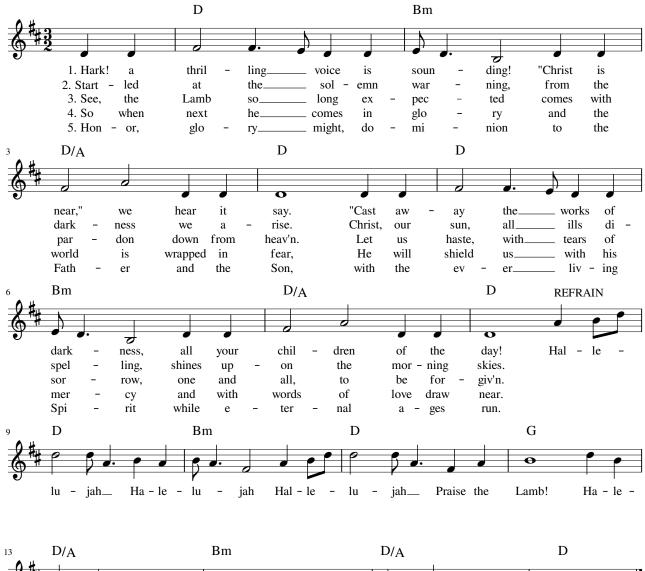


Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent. Adapted by Gerard Moultrie, 1864 PICARDY 8.7.8.7.8.7. French melody, 17th cent. Arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

# Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding

Latin, ca. 6th c.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861;

Traditional Folk - from "Sacred Harp"





# **CALENDAR & EVENTS**

Details about events available at cpcissaquah.org

#### SUNDAY

9:00a | Morning Worship 11:00a | Morning Worship & Remote Worship 6:30p | Evening Worship

## TUESDAY

7:00p | Youth Group

### THURSDAY

7:00p | Selah Prayer Night

VBS Kick-off Meeting | Zoom | December 11 | 5:30p

Women's Ministry Craft & Chat | Zoom | December 9 & 12 | 1:30-3:30p

Youth Group Zoom Christmas Party | December 15 | 7p

CPC Christmas Celebration | December 20 | 5p-7:30p



#### **†THE LORD'S SUPPER**

We invite you to the Lord's Table if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation. By eating the bread and drinking the cup you are saying you are a sinner without hope except for the mercy of God, and that you are in fellowship with God's people. If you have any doubts or questions about your participation, we encourage you to speak with one of the pastors or elders.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

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