

The AACRC Gathers in Homes
November 29, 2020, 10:30am

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, welcome to worship. Though we find ourselves physically separated, we know that God is One: revealed in Christ Jesus, accessible by the Spirit. Wherever you are this morning, it is our confident hope that as we gather, Christ is in our midst. Streamed and archived at www.youtube.com/c/AnnArborCRC

PRELUDE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel – Red Hymnal 61:1

CALL TO WORSHIP & GOD'S GREETING

OPENING SONG

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel – Refrain

FIRST READING/CANDLE LIGHTING

I Corinthians 1:3-9

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock!
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim,
shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might, and come to save us!

**Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?
You have fed them with the bread of tears,
and given them tears to drink in full measure.
You make us the scorn of our neighbors;
our enemies laugh among themselves.

**Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.
Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.

**Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

My Soul in Stillness Waits – Red Hymnal 63

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 64:1-9

SERMON

ALMOST: HOPE – Pastor Ryan

THE LORD'S SUPPER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: 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 our thanks and praise.

*... With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven
we worship and adore your glorious name:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

... Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died!

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Creator of the Stars of Night – Alex Mejias

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SENDING SONG

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel – Red Hymnal 61:2

GOSPEL READING

Mark 13:24-37

WE RECEIVE GOD’S BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Creator of the Stars of Night – Alex Mejias

Preacher – Pastor Ryan Boes
Guitar/Liturgist – Pastor Noah Livingston
Vocalist – Paul Herrema
Keys – Marilyn McLaughlin
Organ/Piano – Jan Musch
Cello/Bass – Victor Chen

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