



**First Christian Church – *Disciples of Christ*
and St. Clare Chapel**

First Sunday of Advent, Year C

Sunday, November 28, 2021 – 10:30 am

*“The righteous branch has sprung forth to bring goodness
and justice to our world.”*

Come, let us Worship our Risen Lord!

**Worship Begins - 10:30 am / Virtual Fellowship to Follow
Joyce Leak - Worship Leader / Elder – Jim Paget
Pastors – Rev. Liz Miller and Rev. Dr. Jack Miller**

VIDEO – “Advent Hope”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

INTROIT: *“There’s Something About That Name”*

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: The Lord will fulfill all the promises given to God’s people.

Many: Praise be to God.

One: The days are coming when all shall be revealed.

Many: Thanks be to God.

One: The signs of God’s Good News are all around us.

Many: The darkness has overshadowed them.

One: God will bring to us a new light for all generations.

All: Open our eyes, Lord, to see your promises fulfilled.

HYMN OF GATHERING: *“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*

INVOCATION / LORD’S PRAYER:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.”

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER:

“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.”

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14

PRAISE HYMN: *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”*

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

PRAYER RESPONSE:

“Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.”

AT THE LORD’S TABLE:

Communion Meditation and Words of Institution

Meditation Hymn: *“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Rising”* (Rita Hutcheson)

Communion Prayer

Partaking of the Bread and the Cup

The Invitation to Offering

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

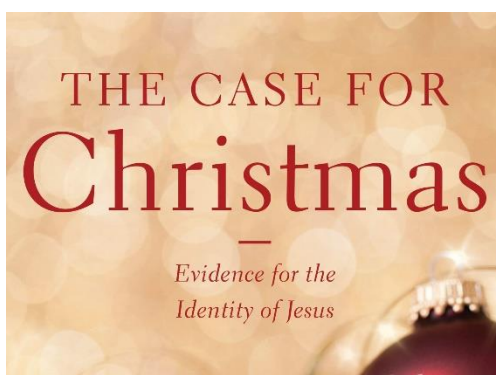
Offering Prayer

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE: Luke 21: 25-36 – (Video)

MESSAGE: *“Signs”* - Rev. Dr. Jack Miller

CLOSING SONG: *“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”*

BENEDICTION:



Starting This Sunday

November 28, 2021 - 9:30 AM

“The Case For Christmas,” with Lee Strobel
A 4-week video study that will help us discover all the evidence that points to the fact that Jesus was who he said he is.

317 There's Something About That Name

Now this is His command: that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ. 1 John 3:23

Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus; There's just some-thing a - bout that

name! Mas - ter, Sav - ior, Je - sus, Like the fra - grance

af - ter the rain. Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus, Let all

heav - en and earth pro - claim: Kings and king - doms will

all pass a - way, But there's some-thing a - bout that name!

WORDS: William J. Gaither; Gloria Gaither
MUSIC: William J. Gaither

THAT NAME
Irregular meter

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Shine, Jesus, Shine

"I am the light of the world." John 8:12

Unison

1. Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing, In the midst of the
 2. Lord, I come to Your awe - some pres - ence, From the shad - ows in -
 3. As we gaze on Your king - ly bright - ness So our fac - es dis -

dark - ness shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the world, shine up - on us,
 to Your ra - diance; By the blood I may en - ter Your bright - ness;
 play Your like - ness, Ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry;

Set us free by the truth You now bring us;
 Search me, try me, con - sume all my dark - ness;
 Mir - rored here, may our lives tell Your sto - ry;

Shine on me. Shine on me.
 Shine on me. Shine on me.
 Shine on me. Shine on me.

WORDS: Graham Kendrick
 MUSIC: Graham Kendrick; arr. Tom Fettke

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
 Irregular meter

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Chorus
Parts optional

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the
Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with

Fa - ther's glo - ry; Blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our
grace and mer - cy; Send forth Your Word, Lord, and

1. hearts on fire. 2. let there be light.

175 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a Son, and will call Him Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14 (NIV)

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
2. O come, Thou Day - spring, come and cheer Our spir - its by Thine
3. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, And or - der all things,
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind All peo - ples in one

Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here, Un -
ad - vent here; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night, And
far and nigh; To us the path of knowl - edge show, And
heart and mind. Bid en - vy, strife, and quar - rels cease; Fill

Chorus
til the Son of God ap - pear.
death's dark shad - ows put to flight. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
cause us in her ways to go.
the whole world with heav - en's peace.

man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

JESUS CHRIST

91 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

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 gracious 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 - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
by Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1744

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MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906, alt.



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Zoom Worship Schedule

Sundays: 10:30 am / Virtual Social - 11:30 am

Email us to be added to our Zoom Worship invitation list.

Our church family is made up of The Mount Vernon First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and St. Clare Chapel, an independent Catholic community. We are a Welcoming, Caring, Communities of Faith! ALL people regardless of their gender, age, race, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, family configuration, economic circumstance, or difference in abilities are welcome here. Since March of 2020, at the onset of the COVID 19 pandemic, we began a joint worship virtually on Zoom. What is our worship service like on Zoom? We strive to provide a virtual place of traditional worship presented in a forthright, supportive, and open atmosphere. Our Sunday gathering is filled with fellowship, prayer, music, sharing, and proclaiming the Word. As a community, we gather each week around our virtual table to celebrate communion. All are welcome at our table. We currently worship every Sunday at 10:30 am on Zoom. You are invited to join us! Just send us an email or contact one of our pastors and we will provide you with a link to join us.

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