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Sunday Hymns, Scripture Readings and Announcements

**First Sunday Of Advent
November 30, 2025 11:00 a.m.**

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The Lighting Of The Advent Candles

Reader: Today is the first Sunday of Advent and on this day we light the first candle in our Advent wreath: the Candle of Hope. Our hope is in the Lord, maker of heaven and earth, and our hope is "built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness." We put our hope in Jesus, the faithful Israelite, who is restoring and reconciling all things.

Reader: O house of Jacob, come.

People: Let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Candle of Hope is lit.

Reader: Gracious Father, kindle in our hearts such a desire for you and your saving works that the flame may never be put out. Guide and direct us as we prepare our hearts to both celebrate the birth of your Son and look forward to his second coming. We long for the day, with hope-filled expectation, when you will put the world to rights, and we thank you for giving us the hope of glory. Amen.

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Entrance Hymn

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

Chorus

Rejoice Rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

O come Thou Wisdom from on high
Who orderest all things mightily
To us the path of knowledge show
And teach us in her ways to go

O come thou Day-spring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord: "*Thanks be to God*".

The Response Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

**2 Now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

3 Jerusalem is built as a city
that is at unity with itself;

**4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.**

5 For there are the thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake,
I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good."

The New Testament: A reading from the book of Romans

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord: *"Thanks be to God"*

The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Bill Holly

Offertory Music

Joy Will Come

Communion Hymn

Edens

Recessional

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of ev'ry nation
Joy of ev'ry longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver
Born a child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring
By Thine own eternal spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee
Come Thou long expected King
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus -

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pub Theology: Every Monday at 7:30–8:30pm; McNellie's South City 7031 S Zurich Ave Tulsa, OK 74136. The format is simple: beer (or other beverage), food if you choose, conversation and God. Come bring your questions and your curiosity and pull up a chair. Be ready to engage with people of varying traditions, perspectives, and life experiences.

Monos Contemplative Prayer Group: Join us each Tuesday for contemplative prayer, reflection, and discussion in the Chapel of Christ Church This is a wonderful time to enrich your soul! We meet from 9:00 - 12:00.

Yoga Every Tuesday at 5:45–6:45pm; Christ Church PAC. Yoga practice is a way that God shows the goodness of your body, the strength and resilience of this creation he has made and given me for my care and responsibility.

St. Nicholas Sunday Next Sunday: December 7, 10–11am
Celebrate the joy of the Advent season with St. Nicholas Sunday at Christ Church Tulsa!

If you are a guest with us today, please take a moment to fill out the “I’m New” card (located on the seatback in front of you) and place it in the offering basket. A member of our clergy or staff will be happy to connect with you this week