



NOVEMBER 29TH, 2020 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - HOPE

The parament colors today are purple as we enter the season of Advent. In this season, we prepare for the coming of Christ, remembering His birth in Bethlehem and anticipating His return in final victory. May we find hope in the Baby born to us, our Savior Emmanuel!

- Piano MeditationJudy Copeland
- Life of the Church and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Landon Collins
- PreludeJosh Wall
- *Call to WorshipRev. Jeff Pethel

Across the universe creation waits
 For the prophets to speak their words of expectation
 And their vision of renewal

**May we gather round them today once more
 And let their longing grip us
 And lead us into birth and blessing**

So come now my friends
 This is the meeting place of promise and prophecy

**Let us listen through the ancient words
 That we might be ready to hear a Baby's cry.
 Come, let us worship Emmanuel!**

Written by Roddy Hamilton

Lighting of the Advent Candle – HOPE

*Opening Hymn No. 76 *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 Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight. *Chorus***

**O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
And order all things, far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And cause us in her ways to go. *Chorus***

**O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace. *Chorus***

Prayers of the PeopleRev. Jeff Pethel

*Hymn No. 77 *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.**

*Litany for Hanging of the Green..... Allison Sherwood

Today we come together to prepare
for the birthday of a King.

**Today we make ready our welcome for
God's only Son, Jesus Christ.**

We begin this special and holy season of Advent,
The season of going toward the birth of Christ.

**As we renew the special meaning of the Advent season,
The season of going toward new hope and eternal life.**

Let us clear our minds and open our hearts
to the coming of the Lord.

**Let us honor His birth by adorning
our church for the coming of our King.**

Let our songs and symbols represent our
personal rededication of the glory of God
And the manifestation of His love
through His Son, Jesus Christ.

**"For God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begotten Son,
That whosoever believeth in Him should
not perish, but have everlasting life."**

THE EVERGREENS

*Hymn No. 90 *Carols Sing* (vs. 1 and 2)

**Carols sing to the King, Jesus Christ our Savior;
Born this day, angels say, In a lowly manger;
He came down to the earth Bringing us new birth.
Carols sing to the King, Jesus Christ our Savior.**

**Tidings bring! Hail the King, Shepherds did adore Him.
From afar, by the star, Wise men sought and found Him.
Praise His name thro'out the earth, Tell the joyful news.
Victor now, o'er the grave, Jesus Christ was born to save.**

THE WREATHS

Hymn No. 78 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

**Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming As men of old have sung.
It came a flower bright, Amid the cold of winter,
When half-gone was the night.**

**Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The Rose I have in mind:
With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright She bore to men a Savior,
When half-gone was the night.**

**This Flow'r, whose fragrance tender
With sweetness fills the air,
Dispels with glorious splendor, The darkness ev'rywhere.
True man, yet very God, From sin and death He saves us,
And lightens ev'ry load.**

THE POINSETTIAS

*Hymn No. 121 *Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne* (vs. 1 and 4)

**Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown,
When Thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity.**

***Chorus* O Come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee.**

**Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
That should set Thy people free;
But with mocking scorn, and with crown of thorn,
They bore Thee to Calvary. *Chorus.***

THE CHRISMONS

Hymn No. 118 *What Child Is This* (vs. 1 and 3)

**What Child is this, who, laid to rest On Mary's lap, is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?**

***Chorus* This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!
So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king, to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him. *Chorus***

THE NATIVITY

Hymn No. 85 *The First Nowell*

**The first Nowell the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherd in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Chorus Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.**

**For all to see there was a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night. *Chorus***

**And by the light of that same star
The wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went. *Chorus***

**Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord
Who hath made heav'n and earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind hath bought. *Chorus***

THE LIGHTS

*Hymn No. 114 *Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*

**Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,
And usher in the morning;
O shepherds, shrink not with affright,
But hear the angel's warning.
This Child, now weak in infancy,
Our confidence and joy shall be,
The pow'r of Satan breaking,
Our peace eternal making.**

**Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,
To herald our salvation;
He stoops to earth – the God of might,
Our hope and expectation.
He comes in human flesh to dwell,
Our God with us, Immanuel,
The night of darkness ending,
Our fallen race befriending.**

*Litany of Presentation and Benediction..... Rev. Landon Collins

We have adorned our sanctuary

With beautiful flowers, greenery, and lights of the season.

**We have renewed our faith through these songs and symbols
That expressed the glory of God.**

As we have prepared our place of worship

We have prepared our hearts and minds for Christ's coming.

We offer our sanctuary as an expression of our grateful hearts

For God's gift of love to us.

We offer our lives to be used by God

To share the gift of His Son with others.

Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth, peace and goodwill to all people.

Amen

PostludeJosh Wall

ABOUT MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to The Baptist Church of Beaufort. Your presence is a gift! If you have not already done so, we invite you to consider serving God with us as a member of our family of faith in any of the following ways: 1) upon profession of faith in Jesus and baptism; 2) by promise of a letter of recommendation from another Baptist or other similar church; 3) by statement of a prior profession of faith and baptism in a Baptist or other like-minded church; 4) by reaffirmation of a previous profession of faith in Jesus and a request for baptism.

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