



**1 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.**

**Refrain: Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**2 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.
[Refrain]**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

**3 O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
and order all things, far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
[Refrain]**

**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.
[Refrain]**

CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: PEACE

CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

December 18, 2022

10:00 am

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Crossing the Threshold

Upon this moment,
upon this people,
upon this place,
the holy comes.
And sacred knowing
brings sacred being
for sacred doing of God's plan.

Lighting the Advent Candle of Joy
and Opening Prayer

Sage and Elizabeth Gaskins

Opening Hymn of Hope

**Angels from the Realms of Glory, VS. 1-3*

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WE PROCLAIM

Mini Message

"Sacred Knowing"

Larainne Wilson

Introduction to Scripture

Debbie Cotting

**stand as you are able*



Angels From the Realms of Glory

1 Angels from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
ye who sang creation's story
now proclaim Messiah's birth:

2 Shepherds, in the field abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing;
yonder shines the infant light:
[Refrain]

Refrain:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.

3 Sages, leave your contemplations,
brighter visions beam afar;
seek the great Desire of nations;
ye have seen his natal star:
[Refrain]

Gentle Joseph, Joseph Dear

1 "Gentle Joseph, Joseph dear,
stay with me, for the baby's near;
God will surely your goodness hear,
as you will love this new-born child," says Mary.

2 "Gladly Mary, Mary mine,
I will cradle the child divine;
Here will heaven and earth combine,
for you will bear God's child, O dearest Mary."

3 "Peace to all and God's good-will,"
heaven and earth with this song will fill;
Soon will God, in the evening still,
be born in Bethlehem, the child of Mary.

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-16

Debbie Cotting

A Word in Music

Gospel

Matthew 1:18-25

Debbie Cotting

Response

Katherine: A Word of God for the People of God,
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"But How Will I Know?"

Rev. Lori Wyckoff

Sermon Hymn

Gentle Joseph, Joseph Dear

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WE PRAY

Prayer Song

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us,
his name is called Emmanuel.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

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WE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Call to the Offering
Offertory

*Hymn of Praise (unison)

Tune: GREENSLEEVES

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God all heavens and the earth;
reflecting the sacred story.**

**This, this is Christ the One
who mirrors hope for all of us.
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
the Word of time eternal.**

Prayer of Dedication

Anointed to Sacred Time

Closing Hymn

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

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WE GO OUT

Benediction

Postlude

Our ushers today are George Hayden and David Bjorkman.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by Larainne and Sheri Wilson

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The Poinsettias Decorating Our Sanctuary

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Laurel & Peter Caputo
Marjorie L. Potter
Dorsey & Dr Lynn Holappa
Jim & Lisa Wilkie
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Paul & Karen Harrington
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Donna & Jack Marino
Angela Fell
Richard & Claudia Davis
Annabel Aldrich
The Potter Furey Family
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The Marshall Family

Jeff & Barbara Langill
Chuck & Debbie Cotting
Nina Emery

In Loving Memory Of:

Loved ones
Rose Giunta
Edward B. Potter
Family Members
Ethel Wilkie
Paul Shay
Kimberly Doucette
Donald Blanchard
Phyllis & Lincoln Harrington
Bob & Myrna Shorey
Hartley Fell
Bob & Gladys Davis
Harold Aldrich & our parents
Edward Potter
Carolyn & Woodrow Furey
Rev. James & Louise Marshall,
Sheila Marshall
Our parents
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In Loving Memory Of:

Paul T. Barké, Jr.
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and Harry and Ruth Russell
Dad, Mom and Phil,
and Mom and loved ones
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J. Warren & Helen Chadwick
William H. & Kathryn M. Law
My wife ~ Carol Carter
Our Parents
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M. Shepard Spear
Evelyn Fialko
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J. David Janick
Loved ones

In Honor Of:

Chuck Cotting
Mary Ann Janick and
Ginny and Jim Rottman
Gladys Woodbury Preston

