

ORDER OF SERVICE

November 28, 2021

Welcome Greg Snow

Call to Worship Jason Mosley

Scripture Reference: Revelation 21

Hymns of Praise O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Confession of Sin and Prayer Garrett Egger

Assurance of Pardon Garrett Egger

Hymns of Assurance O Savior of Our Fallen Race

Offering

Hymn of Worship God Moves In A Mysterious Way

Preaching of God's Word Greg Snow

Scripture Reference: Luke 8:40-56

Hymn of Worship Holy Child Who Chose the Hearts of Men

"The best tidings ever brought from the throne of heaven to this guilty, lost world, was the announcement of the advent of One...God manifested in the flesh - a mystery of wisdom and love, of which the world cannot furnish a parallel...Let us endeavor now to have our hearts duly impressed with this great mystery...He is the only way to the Father; walk in Him and He will lead you to a reconciled God. He is the Truth: believe in Him, and you will know all things. He is the Life; look to Him, and you will live forever.

Robert Hall, 1764-1831

"Do not fear; only believe..." Luke 8:50

Today

Morning Worship Service

Tuesday

PY&CC Christmas Choir Rehearsal 6pm - FBC Carthage

Friday

PY&CC Christmas Choir Dress Rehearsal 6pm - FBC Carthage

Saturday

PY&CC Night of Worship, Emmanuel: God With Us
6pm - FBC Carthage

Sunday, Dec 5

Morning Worship Service; The Lord's Supper; Holiday Meal

Friday, Dec 10

PYC 2022 Spring Season Kick-Off & Informational Meeting
6-8PM @ Carthage YMCA Youth Activity Center

Sunday, Dec 12

Morning Worship Service (Spencer Snow will be preaching)

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel is a Latin antiphon hymn that was written in the 12th century. An "antiphon" is a song that is sung back and forth between two groups with a call and response. In the church of the Middle Ages, worshipers would sing seven antiphons the week before Christmas, all beginning with "O Come." By the twelfth century, these antiphons became the Latin Hymn, sung as one song. Each verse asks the coming Messiah to ransom, save, cheer, guide, and bring peace to the world. Following these "calls," the congregation "responds," knowing by faith that these requests will be heard and answered.

As you sing this hymn, you are offering a prayer similar to the prayer that Israel prayed for centuries: delivery from civil oppressors such as Babylon and Rome. We pray to be released from this world's oppressions, but especially the oppression of sin and death. There is much sorrow in this world. John Piper wrote, "It is a wonderful thing that there are Christmas carols that are written for the real world of sorrowful joy." That's what Christ's ransom produces in us - sorrowful joy. So we exclaim, "Rejoice! Rejoice!"

Excerpt from "Hosanna in Excelsis" by David & Barbara Leeman