

SENDING

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL – blue book # 89

Verse 1

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!

Verse 2

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who orders all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show
and teach us in her ways to go.

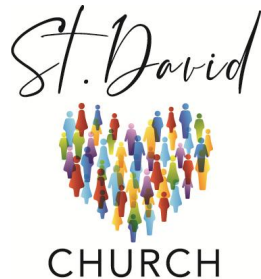
Chorus

Verse 5

O come, O Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home.
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Chorus

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GATHERING HYMN

LO HE COMES WITH CLOUDS DESCENDING – blue book # 114

Verse 1

Lo, he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand, thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train;
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.

Verse 2

Every eye shall now behold him,
robed in dreadful majesty;
all who set at nought and sold him,
pierced, and nailed him to the tree,
deeply grieving, deeply grieving, deeply grieving,
shall the true Messiah see.

Verse 3

Now redemption, long expected,
see in solemn pomp appear;
all his saints, on earth rejected,
thrill the trumpet sound to hear:
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
See the day of God appear!

Verse 4

Yea, amen, let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory;
claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly! O come quickly! O come quickly!
Hallelujah! Come, Lord come!

Text: John Cennick (1718-1755); Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
Martin Madan (1726-1790)
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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

HOPE IS A STAR – Voices United # 7

Hope is a star that shines in the night,
leading us on till the morning is bright.
When God is a child, there's joy in our song.
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

COME NOW O PRINCE OF PEACE – red book # 247

Vs 1 before gospel, and
Vs 2 after gospel

Verse 1
Come now, O Prince of peace,
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people

Verse 2
Come now, O God of love,
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

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COMMUNION

MY LORD WHAT A MORNING – red book # 438

Chorus
My Lord, what a morning; my lord, what a morning;
oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

Verse 1
You will hear the trumpet sound,
to wake the nations under ground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall.

Chorus

Verse 2
You will hear the sinner cry,
to wake the nations under ground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall.

Chorus

Verse 3
You will hear the Christian shout,
to wake the nations under ground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall.

Chorus

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OFFERTORY

HE CAME DOWN – red book # 253

Verse 1

He came down that we may have hope;
He came down that we may have hope;
He came down that we may have hope;
Hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 2

He came down that we may have peace;
He came down that we may have peace;
He came down that we may have peace;
Hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 3

He came down that we may have joy;
He came down that we may have joy;
He came down that we may have joy;
Hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 4

He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love;
Hallelujah forevermore.

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Adapted for Advent

HYMN OF THE DAY

REJOICE, REJOICE, BELIEVERS – red book # 244

Verse 1

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear;
the evening is advancing and darker night is near.
The bridegroom is arising and soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; at midnight comes the cry.

Verse 2

The watchers on the mountain proclaim the bridegroom near;
go forth as he approaches with alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting; the gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory; the bridegroom is at hand.

Verse 2

The saints, who here in patience their cross and sufferings bore.
shall live and reign forever when sorrow is no more.
Around the throne of glory the Lamb they shall behold;
in triumph cast before him their diadems of gold.

Verse 4

Our hope and expectations, O Jesus, now appear;
arise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord to see
the day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of power and might, tear open the heavens and come quickly to this weary world. Each petition will end with Loving God, and you are invited to respond with “We pray in hope to you.”

A brief silence is kept.

O Lord, we long for your salvation; make haste and help us. Come quickly with blessing and comfort for your people, O strong Deliverer of Israel and the Redeemer of the world.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

Anoint your Church with your Holy Spirit. Make it radiant with holiness, lovely with compassion, and bright with faithfulness. In our Anglican and Lutheran prayer cycle, we pray for the people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and the people of the Anglican Church of Canada. Fill it with hope as it awaits the coming of your Son in power and great glory.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

Anoint this congregation with your Holy Spirit. Make us generous in sharing the grace given to us in Christ. Especially we remember and pray for Wayne and Gloria Scanlon; - Meegan Scanlon Jordan Bornfreund and Autumn; - Larry and Jean Schwarntz; - Vanessa and Roger Sharp, Taylor and Reese. Through us, lift the heads and hearts of our neighbours and those in need. Grant that, with us, they eagerly await the day of Jesus’ return as victorious Lord of all.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

Give wisdom and prudence to those who lead the nations, especially those newly elected. Make them good stewards of the authority granted them. Bless our nation with peace, prosperity, and justice. Teach us all to care for one another until your son comes as our great Lord of might.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

Tear open the heavens, O Lord; and visit your people with salvation. Kindle hope within the hearts of all who suffer, – especially we remember Emily Patterson and family; Nancy Whittaker; George Anderson and family; Jim Fee; Nathan and family; Kayla Fletcher; Susan Kuschel and for her daughter, Jen Kuschel and all the family; for Leslie and her family; and for all those we also name either aloud or in the silence of our hearts [pause]. Bring them comfort and healing. Give their caretakers patience and compassion.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

We give you thanks for the lives and witness of those who died while waiting for justice, peace, or healing, those whose names we know and those whose names are known only to you. [pause]. Sustain all who still yearn for the completion of your redeeming work.

Loving God We pray in hope to you.

Draw near to us, O God, and receive our prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.