

ADVENT CAROL OF THE WEEK – HYMN STORY:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel is an ancient song. Sometime before 800 A.D, an unknown monk wrote this hymn. A time in history we often call "the Dark Ages." During those "Dark Ages" the Bible was inaccessible for most people. But the monk who composed this song used a wealth of phrases from Old Testament prophecies that speak of the coming of the Messiah. He is "the rod of Jesse," the "Dayspring from on high," the "Key of David," and "Wisdom from on high." For the people of the Medieval world who did not have a Bible to read, this was a teaching tool, expressing the hope and truth of Christmas. In the early 19th century an Anglican priest named John Mason Neale was reading through an ancient book of hymns called the "Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum. Rev. Neale came across this hymn of faith in a Latin text. The tune is from a 15th century French Franciscan convent of nuns ministering in Portugal. Rev. Neale easily translated the Latin into English and gave the world a song.



Coffee Fellowship

Please join us for a time of fellowship in Fellowship Hall immediately after Worship. Fellowship Hall is located below the Sanctuary: go down the front steps – pass the elevator – make a left – Fellowship Hall is on your left – under the sanctuary.

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday thru Thursday

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

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In Ministry

Pastor: Barbara Wells

Lay Leader: Mark Gausman

Organist (9:00): Nancy Dickinson

Music (10:30): Steven Zych – Guitar

Ed Hunt – Bass, Banjo, Guitar

Nancy Dickinson - Keyboard

Administrative Assistant: Daphne Marquardt

Coffee Hour Chair: Jo Peterson

Sanctuary Care: Margaret Tadder and Linda Young

Kids Club (Wednesday Nights) – Michelle Davis

Kids Church (9:00 AM) – Barb Gausman

Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord!

Edgerton United Methodist Church

112 Albion Street

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Our Mission:

“To Make Christ Known!”

Our church is to be a place where love is present, hurts are healed, joys and concerns are shared and supported by prayer.

Our Church serves our community and the world, by realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life Christ brings to all people - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, culture, tradition, family configuration, economic status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

Edgerton UMC – Make Christ Known

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Sunday, December 4, 2016

10:30am Worship

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All Say In Unison

ADVENT CAROL OF THE WEEK:

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” (See last page of the bulletin.)

WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT

PRELUDE

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

Richard Storrs Willis, setting John Carter

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Listen to the Spirit urging us to get ready—

Our calendars are jam-packed full.

Listen to the Spirit calling us to wait—

We’ve already been waiting; there’s a line everywhere we go.

Listen to the Spirit inviting us to walk in the way of the Lord—

This is good news!

The way of the Lord is the path of peace.

We are glad to be in the house of the Lord!

May the Advent blessing of peace be with you.

We rejoice, for we are blessed to walk in the light of God!

PRAYER

L: Let us pray:

O God beyond time, we are an impatient people. As the days grow shorter and the darkness longer, teach us to wait with faithful expectation. In this time of worship, open our eyes and hearts to the Advent blessings in our midst. May every day be a day of gratitude for your compassion and grace. Through the guidance of your Spirit, lead each one of us in the pathways that make for peace. In the name of Emmanuel, God with Us, we pray. Amen.

HEBREW BIBLE SCRIPTURE Isaiah 11:1-10

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING:

HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

UMH No 211 (verses 1,2,4)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN

“Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord”

Pre-e-e-pare Ye - the Way of the Lord

Pre-e-e-pare Ye - the Way of the Lord (repeat)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 3:1-12

MESSAGE “Jesus Needs Us and We Need One Another” Pastor Barb

RENEWAL OF BAPTISM VOWS (See Insert)

Musical Meditation “I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING HOLY COMMUNION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Special Music *Like a Child*, Daniel Charles Damon

*Doxology “New Traditional” UMH No 94

Prayer of Dedication:

Holy God, through your prophets you have promised us a world where justice and mercy would reign, where knowledge and understanding would prevail, and where the poor and the weak would be the recipients of compassion and not scorn. You sent Christ to give us the vision of this kind of Kingdom, then gave us the Holy Spirit within us that we might work to make a way for it in our world. As we give our gifts this morning, may you dedicate them and us to help bring about a world where your love, mercy, and grace reign supreme. We pray this in the name that is above all others, Jesus the Christ. Amen. (Isaiah 11:1-10.)

***HYMN**

“A Christmas Lament” See Insert-

Sung to the tune – “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

How Brightly Beams the Morning Star

Philip Nicolai, setting John Carter

**REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE, WHOSE YOU ARE
AND THAT CHRIST NEEDS YOU!**