



Sunday, December 6, 2020  
Trinitarian Congregational Church  
Concord, Massachusetts

**The Second Sunday of Advent**

**INTROIT**                    ***A Processional for Advent***                    recording courtesy of St. James Music Press  
Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest Thy virgin birth.  
Let every age adoring fall; such birth befits the Lord of all.”  
Words: St. Ambrose, trans. Mason Neale    Music: Rachel Aarons (b. 1984)  
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**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**                    ***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*** (Congregation and Matt DiBattista)  
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.  
Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!  
Words: Latin, 9<sup>th</sup> c., tr. John Neal, 1851.    Music: French melody, 15<sup>th</sup> c.

**ADVENT WREATH CEREMONY**

**Christine Kelley**  
TriCon Youth Group Leader  
**Julia Clark & Cole Siefer**  
TriCon Youth Group Seniors

**RESPONSE**                    Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel! Amen.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**                    Carrie O’Brien

**HYMN**                    ***O Little Town of Bethlehem*** (Congregation and organ)  
O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!  
Words: Phillips Brooks, 1868.    Music: Lewis Henry Redner, 1868

**SCRIPTURE READING**                    Matthew 1:18-23

**SERMON**                    ***Imagine***                    Robert Brown

**MUSIC**                    ***Comfort, Comfort Ye My People***                    Emily G. Roos  
Music: PSALM 42, *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

**PRAYERS**                    **Pastoral Prayer, Prayer Requests and Silent Prayer, The Lord’s Prayer**

**MUSIC**                    ***Creator of the Stars of Night***                    Emily Roos and Matt DiBattista  
9<sup>th</sup> c. Latin hymn

## OFFERING OF GIFTS

### Call to Stewardship

Shirley Moore Huettig

### Hymn of Praise

All praise, eternal Christ, to Thee,  
Whose advent sets Thy people free;  
Once more upon Thy people shine,  
And fill the world with love divine. Amen.

### Prayer of Dedication

Shirley Moore Huettig

## HYMN

***What Feast of Love*** (Congregation and Matt DiBattista)

What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!

What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?  
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven,  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!

Music: English ballad, 16<sup>th</sup> c. Text: Delores Dufner, b. 1939.

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## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Words of Remembrance

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## HYMN

***Comfort, Comfort You My People*** (Congregation and Matt DiBattista)

Comfort, comfort you my people, tell of peace, thus says our God.  
Comfort those who sit in darkness, bowed beneath oppression's load.  
Speak you to Jerusalem, of the peace that waits for them;  
Tell them that their sins I cover, and their warfare now is over.

Make you straight what long was crooked, make the rougher places plain;  
Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits God's holy reign.  
For the glory of the Lord now o'er earth is shed abroad;  
And all flesh shall see the token that God's word is never broken.

Words: Johannes Olearius, 1671, trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Music: PSALM 42 from Genevan Psalter, 1551.

## BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

***People, Look East***

Matt DiBattista and Emily Roos

Music: French folk melody. Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965) *The Oxford Book of Carols*, 1928.

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**Worship Leaders** Rev. Robert Brown, Senior Minister; Rev. Gail Miller, Minister for Congregational Life;  
Carrie O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministries; Victoria Wagner, Director of Music.

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## **Fellowship in Breakout Rooms**

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