



Christmas Eve

December 24, 2021

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***"Be reverent, for this is the house of the Lord.***

***Before the service, speak to God.***

***During the service, let God speak to you.***

***"After the service, speak to one another with the technology available."***



**Our Vision**

***Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church***

**The 4 Essentials**

***Lifelong Discipleship, Wholesome Families,  
A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World***

*The Christ candle should be at a prominent place, unlit, at the start of the service.  
Everyone should have a candle ready to be lit at the end of the service.*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsively*)

L: Unexpectedly, the time came! The child was born!

**P: *The Saviour of the world is here!***

L: Unexpectedly, the angels told the shepherds of the newborn Saviour;

**P: *The Saviour of the world is here!***

L: Unexpectedly, the shepherds went and found the child, lying in a manger.

**P: *The Saviour of the world is here!***

L: We wait for Christ to come again.

We wait for Christ to enter our world and lives in a new way.

**P: *Come, Lord Jesus, come!***

**HYMN**

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

UMH 196

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We celebrate You and praise You,  
God of new beginnings and surprising opportunities  
**Because You never cease to make Yourself available to us.**

We appreciate You and thank You,  
God of unquenchable life and irrepressible grace  
**Because You continue to offer us the resources of Your Spirit.**

We love You and embrace You,  
God of unfailing compassion and constant companionship  
**Because You walk beside us and transform us into agents of love.**

Forgive us, O Lord,  
**When we seek to keep You to ourselves  
and shut others from Your influence.**

Forgive us, O Christ,  
**When we wallow in our own weakness  
and take advantage of the weakness of others.**

Forgive us, O Spirit,  
**When we deny Your friendship  
and withhold Your compassion from others.**

Let us spend a moment in quiet confession.

*(Silent Confession)*

**Heal us, restore and empower us, O God, we pray**

**For the sake of Your kingdom which has broken into our world. Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 9:2-7

**CAROL**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

UMH 211

### ***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE***

O God, you are never revealed so completely as in the face of the child of Bethlehem. Hear us as we give you thanks for those who today reveal Your love in our world in His spirit.

We pray for those who give You hands by doing their best toward their brothers and sisters; for those who give You a mouth by speaking words of justice and peace for the broken and oppressed; for those who reveal You simply by being Your children, reflecting Your beauty as did Your only Son, Jesus.

We hold up in prayer the lonely and hurting, the hungry and homeless, the sick and dispossessed, knowing that Your heart has always been nearest those who are poor in spirit and least likely to be thought of as people worthy of God's favour.

As we remember how You came to live among us in the flesh; as we celebrate that moment long ago which lives forever in the hearts of those who believe; and as we long for Your fullness in our lives that we too might become the goodness and love of Christ in our day. We ask that You would bless us, Your church, to be food for the hungry and hope for those who are lost and alone—a living testament of Christ's faithfulness to you. May all who drink of Your one Spirit receive new life to share with all in our world who are thirsty for meaning and belonging.

Pour out Your Spirit upon us, Your people. Continue in our lives the mystery of Christmas. Let Your Son become flesh in us, so that we may reveal You to our world all the days of our lives. Holy child of Bethlehem, make Your home with us, we pray. Cast out our sin and dwell in our hearts. Be born among us again today. Amen.

### ***TESTIMONY***

**CAROL**

O Come, All Ye Faithful

UMH 234

**SECOND READING**

Luke 2:1-20

**SERMON**

God with Us: the New Normal

Rev Shearn Sya

**CAROL**

O Holy Night

**BENEDICTION**

Behold the Lord proclaims to all the earth, "Your salvation has come! You are my holy people, the redeemed, whom I have sought out, never to be forsaken." As God delights and rejoices over you, go in peace, rejoicing in the Lord. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.

**LIGHTING OF CANDLES**

*The head of the home or a representative lights the Christ candle, then lights their own candle from it, and passes their light on to the next person, who passes their light on to the next, and so on.*

**POSTLUDE**O Holy Night (*Chorus*)**Tonight's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya
<b>Liturgist</b>	Ms Iris Ang
<b>Praise Leaders</b>	Mrs Gerviene Sya Ms Goh Yi Jane
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Daniel Khoo
<b>Recording</b>	Mr Chuah Chang En

**December 25, 2021****Christmas Day Service (10AM)**

<b>Preacher</b>	Bishop Joshua Khong
<b>Praise Leaders</b>	Mrs Jane Khoo, Ms Alanis Yeoh Ms Shereena Yoon
<b>Reader</b>	TBA
<b>Musicians</b>	Mr Daniel Khoo, Dr Melvin Saw Mr Loo Choo Hin, Ms Adelya Yeoh
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong, Mr Jason Tham
<b>Livestream</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Calvin Fong

**December 26, 2021****1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas (10AM)**

<b>Preacher</b>	Dr Khoo Cheok Kau
<b>Liturgist</b>	Dr Cheah Ui Hock
<b>Reader</b>	Mrs Mary Wolf
<b>Musician</b>	Dr Melvin Saw
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Chuah Chang En
<b>Livestream</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Calvin Fong