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Weekly Programs

Bible Study:
A chapter a day on WhatsApp group
Google Hangout Bible Study:
Wed. 7pm-8pm

Sweet Hour of Prayer:
Every Friday 6pm-7pm.

Monthly Programs

Home Fellowships

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious

The Word of God.
Thanks be to God

INTERNATIONAL ANGLICAN CONGREGATION OF IMMANUEL CHURCH ON-THE-HILL

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 8, 2019

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Hymn: *To god be the glory...*

Leader: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All: *Blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

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Collect for the day: *Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen*

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.

He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and forever it shall be.

The Epistle: Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of God.

Thanks be to God

Hymn/Presentation:

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Praise and Worship/Hymn: *O Come all ye Faithful...*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

This is the gospel of Christ.

Response: Praise be to you O Christ.

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Welcome and Announcements

1. Greetings and warm welcome to you all and thank you for worshipping with us today. To our visitors we welcome you to our service and we appreciate your presence.
2. The Rev. Peter will be on leave in the month of December. The very Rev. Ambrose Adega will be in charge.
3. We welcome you for a sweet hour of prayers every Friday at 6pm. We encourage you all to set aside this time to pray for the Church and other needs wherever you are.
4. We would like to thank you all for making this church your home and for being part of this family. You are a blessing to us and we appreciate your commitment to this ministry. Please invite your friends next Sunday.
5. Please join us for a cup of tea after the service. Many thanks to all those who provide some refreshments. Blessings to you for this noble ministry.



1. To God be the glory

To God be the glory, great things he has done;
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and
opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth
hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the people rejoice! O come to the Father
through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory;
great things he has done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to
every believer the promise of God; the vilest
offender who truly believes, that moment from
Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he has taught us, great things he has
done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the
Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our
wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

2. O come, all ye faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O
come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem! Come, and
behold Him, born the King of angels!

*O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore
Him; O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the
Lord!*

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation; sing,
all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy
morning; Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

3. Silent night, holy night

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace

Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Savior is born
Christ, the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth "

4. I must have the Savior with me

I must have the Savior with me, For I dare not
walk alone; I must feel His presence near me,
And His arm around me thrown.

*Then my soul shall fear no ill, Let Him lead me
where He will, I will go without a murmur, And
His footsteps follow still.*

I must have the Savior with me, For my faith, at
best, is weak; He can whisper words of comfort
That no other voice can speak.

I must have the Savior with me, In the onward
march of life, Thro' the tempest and the
sunshine, Thro' the battle and the strife.

I must have the Savior with me, And His eye the
way must guide, Till I reach the vale of Jordan,
Till I gain the other side.



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a

ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Down To The River To Pray

Spiritual

A

As I went down to the ri - ver to pray

This musical line starts in 2/4 time with a treble clef and two sharps. It changes to 3/4 time for the lyrics "down to the river". It then changes back to 2/4 time for the end of the line. The lyrics "As I went down to the river to pray" are written below the notes.

E A

stu - dy - ing a - bout that good old way and

This musical line starts in 4/4 time with a treble clef and two sharps. The lyrics "stu - dy - ing a - bout that good old way and" are written below the notes. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

E D A

who shall wear the star - ry crown Good Lord show me the way

This musical line continues in 4/4 time with a treble clef and two sharps. The lyrics "who shall wear the star - ry crown Good Lord show me the way" are written below the notes. The melody includes a descending eighth-note pattern followed by a descending sixteenth-note pattern.

E A D A

Oh, sis - ters let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh, bro-thers let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh, fa - thers let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh, mo-thers let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh, sin - ners let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

This musical line continues in 4/4 time with a treble clef and two sharps. The lyrics "Oh, sis -ters let's go down, let's go down, come on down." are repeated five times, each time starting with a different chord (E, A, D, A). The melody features eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

E A D A

Oh, sis - ters let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.
Oh, bro-thers let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.
Oh, fa - thers let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.
Oh, mo-thers let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.
Oh, sin - ners let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.

This musical line continues in 4/4 time with a treble clef and two sharps. The lyrics "Oh, sis -ters let's go down, down to the river to pray." are repeated five times, each time starting with a different chord (E, A, D, A). The melody features eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

Spirit of the Living God

DANIEL IVERSON



Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me. Spir - it of the



liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me,



use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

