

GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 6, 2020

PRELUDE: “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” Gilbert Martin

WELCOME: Rev. Jim Pazan

Call to Worship: Jeannie Cavender, CRE

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING: The Grant Family

HYMN OF PRAISE: “Lift up your heads ye mighty gates”

Marilyn Gross, Ernie & Alison Tamminga

Verse 1

Lift up your heads you mighty gates

Behold the King of glory waits

The King of kings is drawing near

The Savior of the world is here

Verse 2

O blest the land the city blest

Where Christ the Ruler is confessed

O happy hearts and happy homes

To whom this King of triumph comes

Verse 3

Fling wide the portals of your heart

Make it a temple set apart

From earthly use for heav'ns employ

Adorned with prayer and love and joy

Verse 4

Redeemer come we open wide

Our hearts to Thee here Lord abide

Thine inner presence let us feel

Thy grace and love in us reveal

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE Jeannie Cavender, CRE

SONG OF RESPONSE: (Psalm 71:5)

“You Have Been My Hope, Oh Sovereign Lord”

Don Davis, Anne Lawler, Kris Warner

Verse 1

You have been my hope, Oh sovereign Lord

You have been my hope, Oh sovereign Lord

Oh Lord, my confidence since my youth

You have been my hope, Oh sovereign Lord

Verse 2

You have been my joy, Oh sovereign Lord

You have been my joy, Oh sovereign Lord

Oh Lord, my confidence since my youth

You have been my joy, Oh sovereign Lord

Verse 3

You have been my strength, Oh Sovereign Lord

You have been strength, Oh sovereign Lord

Oh Lord, my confidence since my youth

You have been my strength, Oh sovereign Lord

SCRIPTURE: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

⁸ But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting

any to perish, but all to come to repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. ¹¹ Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, ¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? ¹³ But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. ¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; ¹⁵ and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation

MESSAGE: "Patient Grace" Rev. Jim Pazan

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Jeannie Cavender, CRE

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF RESPONSE: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Marilyn Gross, Ernie & Alison Tamminga

Verse 1

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

Verse 2

O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

Verse 3

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

BENEDICTION:

Rev. Jim Pazan

Postlude: "Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Is Sounding" Robert J Powell

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