the sit-tights



Learn to wait with the Messiah



BEVERLY HEIGHTS UNITED

Welcome and Greeting Elder Joseph Williams

Announcements

Amy Lucas, Administrative Assistant

THE LORD GATHERS US FOR ADVENT WORSHIP

Prelude

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him Jinna Park, Accompanist and Organist

Smith

The first note of the prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please use this brief period of time for prayer and preparation while keeping conversation at a low volume and to a minimum. Please refrain from clapping unless led to do so.

Invitation to Worship Dr. Kyle Bennett

Leader: Come, let us worship the LORD!

People: We lift our hearts as we wait for Him.

Choral Introit Rejoice and Sing

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Hymn of Praise **No. 441** vv. 1-3 *Jesus Shall Reign*

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 12:9-21 Mr. Peter Chace

Congregational Response **No. 441** vv. 4, 5 Jesus Shall Reign

THE LORD CLEANSES OUR SIN

Unison Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from Your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Following the saintly fathers, we all with one voice teach the confession of one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: the same perfect in divinity and perfect in humanity, the same truly God and truly man, of a rational soul and a body; consubstantial with the Father as regards His divinity, and the same consubstantial with us as regards His humanity; like us in all respects except for sin; begotten before the ages from the Father as regards His divinity, and in the last days the same for us and for our salvation from Mary, the virgin God-bearer, as regards His humanity; one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, only-begotten, acknowledged in two natures which undergo no confusion, no change, no division, no separation; at no point was the difference between the natures taken away through the union, but rather the property of both natures is preserved and comes together into a single person and a single subsistent being; He is not parted or divided into two persons, but is one and the same only-begotten Son, God, Word, Lord Jesus Christ, just as the prophets taught from the beginning about Him, and as the Lord Jesus Christ Himself instructed us, and as the creed of the fathers handed it down to us.

THE LORD SANCTIFIES OUR LIVES

Advent Litany

Leader: Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and shield.

People: For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

Leader: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!

People: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Advent Hymn No. 324

vv. 1-4

Christ Is Coming!

Children are invited to the front of the Chancel during the final verse.

Learning the Sit-Tights: an Advent Lesson for Children

Advent Countdown

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day When hope shall sing its triumph, and sorrows flee away.

O come, Desire of nations, whom priest and prophet long foretold, And break the chains that bind us, redeem Your longest fold.

Come, Messiah! Dispel our night with the dawn of grace.

Come, Messiah! We long to see Your face.

Come, Messiah, come!

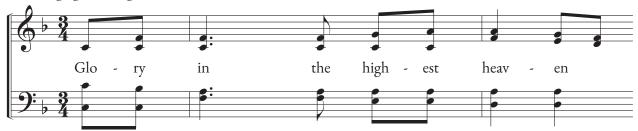
O come, dear Child of promise, for lowly shall Your cradle be; Though clothed in human likeness, we shall the Godhead see! Come, Messiah! Dispel our night with the dawn of grace. Come, Messiah! We long to see Your face.

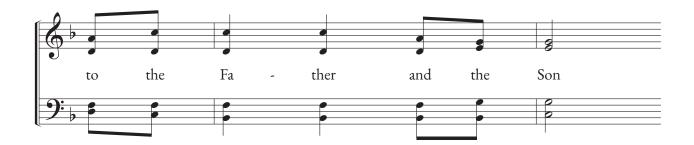
Congregational Response

Advent Doxology

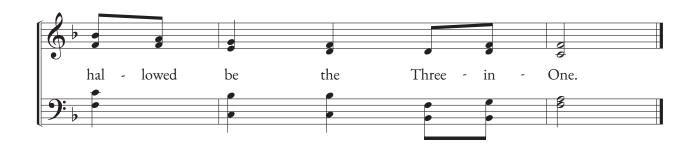
Boswell

Congregation sings twice.









Children ages kindergarten and younger are dismissed to the Nursery, Walkabouts Room or Runabouts Room. All other children remain in worship with their families.

Scripture Reading Isaiah 42:1-9

Sit-Tights: Learning to Wait with the Messiah Sermon

Dr. Kyle Bennett

Waiting in Darkness

THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS

Call for the Offering and Offertory Savior of the Nations, Come

arr. Wagner

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen No. 740

Trinity Hymnal

THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

Closing Hymn No. 727

vv. 1, 2

Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness

Dismissal

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Postlude

arr. Pritchard

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00 AM Christian Education for all ages

10:00 AM Worship Service

5:00 PM Advent Family Celebration

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Church Offices Closed

10:00 AM Mission Team Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

7:00 PM ACE Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

7:30 AM Men's Bible Study

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

4:30 PM First Song Rehearsal

5:00 PM New Song & Youth Rehearsal

5:30 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:00 AM Christian Education for all ages

10:00 AM Worship Service

6:30 PM Fusion Christmas Party

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Jesus Shall Reign

He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. Ps. 72:8



Christ Is Coming!

We wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. Titus 2:13



Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness

Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness. Ps. 5:8



St. 1, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876 St. 2, George F. Strickling

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