

UNIONVILLE EPC WORSHIP SERVICE  
November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 9:30 AM

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Welcome and Announcements

Pastoral Call to Worship

First Sunday of Advent Candle

Prayer of Invocation

Apostle's Creed (see back of bulletin)

Gloria Patri

**Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

Loving Father, we begin Advent, celebrating that Jesus has come, and has promised to come again! Jesus gave us light and hope; we confess that we too often yield to darkness and despair. Jesus brought us joy and peace, yet our hearts harbor sorrow and turmoil. Jesus lived a life of humility and love, but our hearts are consumed by pride and hostility. As Jesus came to conquer sin and death, we acknowledge our need to be *cleansed* from all unrighteousness. Thank You, God, for so loving the world, that You gave us Your Only-Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, so we that need not perish, but can receive eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Doxology

Scripture Reading: Mark 13: 21-37

Sermon: *Anticipation and Preparation*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn – O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Benediction

## O Come, O Come Emmanuel

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!**

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.

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high  
And order all things, far and nigh;  
To us the path of knowledge show  
And cause us in her ways to go.

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

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!**



**For the sake of the safety of everyone who is with us today;**

- We ask everyone to continue practicing social distancing
- Please wear PPE masks when in close proximity
- In lieu of passing the collection plates today, we ask that you place your tithes and offerings in the designated baskets
- After the benediction, Pastor Matt will don his face mask in order to greet members and visitors