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Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2023

Come broken and weary
Come battered and bruised
Our Jesus make all things new
All things new
Come lost and abandoned
Come blown by the wind
He'll bring you back home again
Home again

All Things New
By Andrew Peterson

Call to Worship

*Take some time to make yourself
present to the God who makes
himself present to us.*

Rise up, O you sleeper awake
The light of the dawn is upon you
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Come frozen with shame
Come burning with guilt
Our Jesus he loves us still
Loves us still

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The world was good
The world is fallen
The world will be redeemed
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So hold on to the promise
The stories are true
That Jesus makes all things new
(The dawn is upon you)

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Psalm 122

- 1 I rejoiced with those who said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
- 2 Our feet are standing
in your gates, Jerusalem.

- 3 Jerusalem is built like a city
that is closely compacted together.
- 4 That is where the tribes go up—
the tribes of the Lord—
to praise the name of the Lord
according to the statute given to Israel.

Psalm 122

5 There stand the thrones for judgment,
the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

“May those who love you be secure.

7 May there be peace within your walls
and security within your citadels.”

8 For the sake of my family and friends,
I will say, “Peace be within you.”

9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your prosperity.

When the waters rise all around
When the rocks and trees, they cry out

Your kingdom come, Your will be done
Here on earth as it is in heaven
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
Here on earth as it is in heaven

Hosanna (Will You Rise?)

By Matt Maher, Terrian

Praise Through Song

Let these songs help you express in heart, mind, and body your need for and adoration of God.

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Fill us with Your breath to renew
To care for what you've made as You do

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Everyday we go to war again
We assume we know so much more than them
before we hear what they have to say
Headline breaks and we start to hate again
Calling them names again
We give our peace away

See the Love

By John Arndt, David Gungor, David Campbell

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I hope they see it
Cause I wanna see it
I hope we believe it

I wanna see
I wanna see the love
All around you, all around you
I wanna know
I wanna know that love
Is all around you, is all around you

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Day by day
Hope fades away and then
we know that there is pain within, we can not medicate
Learn to feel,
Learn to begin again
Open our eyes again
To see our brothers pain

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If you are a guest, please do not feel obliged to give. If you would like to and are able:

Checks can be made payable to **Kaleidoscope Church** and mailed to:

17 Silver Fern
Irvine CA 92603

Or you can place physical checks and cash in the offering box at the back of church.

Or you can give using QR code:



Offering

The discipline of offering helps loosen our grip on that which has the power to possess us, inviting us into the weekly practice of generosity, gratitude and simplicity.

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All heavy laden, acquainted with sorrow
May Christ in our marrow carry us home
From alabaster come blessings of laughter
A fragrance of passion and joy from the truth



This Road

By Charlie Lowell, Dan Haseltine, Matt Odmak,
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Grant the unbroken, tears ever flowing
From hearts of contrition only for You
May sin never hold true that love never broke through
For God's mercy holds us, and we are his own



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This road that we travel, may it be the straight and narrow
God give us peace and grace from you all the day
Shelter with fire, our voices we raise still higher.
God, give us peace and grace from You all the day through



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

LEADER: The peace of Christ be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Greeting

*Let us now take a few minutes to
greet one another in the peace of the
Lord.*



10:00



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Christmas Eve Service

When: Sunday, December 24th

Where: Columbus Grove Community Center

We will be having a potluck brunch church service for Christmas Eve which will include scripture readings and Christmas songs celebrating the coming of our Savior.

NOTE: No service on New Year's Eve 12/31/23!

Small Group Leaders

We're looking for leaders for small groups that will be starting up in January! Our topic is going to be on Anxiety and the Good Life and leader guides will be provided for our facilitators.

Let Katie know if you're interested! We'll be having a leader orientation and dinner on 1/12/24.

Prayer of Illumination

Almighty God,

In you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word,
and give us grace that we may clearly understand
and freely choose the way of your wisdom.

Amen.

Hearing God's Word

Isaiah 40:1-11

1 Comfort, comfort my people,
says your God.

2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and proclaim to her
that her hard service has been completed,
that her sin has been paid for,
that she has received from the Lord's hand
double for all her sins.

3 A voice of one calling:
“In the wilderness prepare
the way for the Lord;

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Isaiah 40:1-11

make straight in the desert
a highway for our God.

4 Every valley shall be raised up,
every mountain and hill made low;
the rough ground shall become level,
the rugged places a plain.

5 And the glory of the Lord will be revealed,
and all people will see it together.
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

6 A voice says, “Cry out.”
And I said, “What shall I cry?”

Hearing God's Word

Isaiah 40:1-11

- “All people are like grass,
and all their faithfulness is like the flowers of the field.
7 The grass withers and the flowers fall,
because the breath of the Lord blows on them.
Surely the people are grass.
8 The grass withers and the flowers fall,
but the word of our God endures forever.”
- 9 You who bring good news to Zion,
go up on a high mountain.

Hearing God's Word

Isaiah 40:1-11

You who bring good news to Jerusalem,
lift up your voice with a shout,
lift it up, do not be afraid;
say to the towns of Judah,
“Here is your God!”

10 See, the Sovereign Lord comes with power,
and he rules with a mighty arm.
See, his reward is with him,
and his recompense accompanies him.

Hearing God's Word

Isaiah 40:1-11

11 He tends his flock like a shepherd:
He gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.

READER: The Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

Hearing God's Word

Mark 1:1-8

1 The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, 2 as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

“I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way” —

3 “a voice of one calling in the wilderness,
‘Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.’”

4 And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Hearing God's Word

Mark 1:1-8

5 The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. 6 John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. 8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

READER: The Gospel of our Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hearing God's Word

Escapism When It's the End of the World vs. The End of the World As We Know It

Ken Hsu

Hearing God's Word

Mark 1:4-8

4 so John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the strap of his sandals. 8 I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."



Saint John the Baptist
a portrait by Titian, c 1540

Escape from Jerusalem

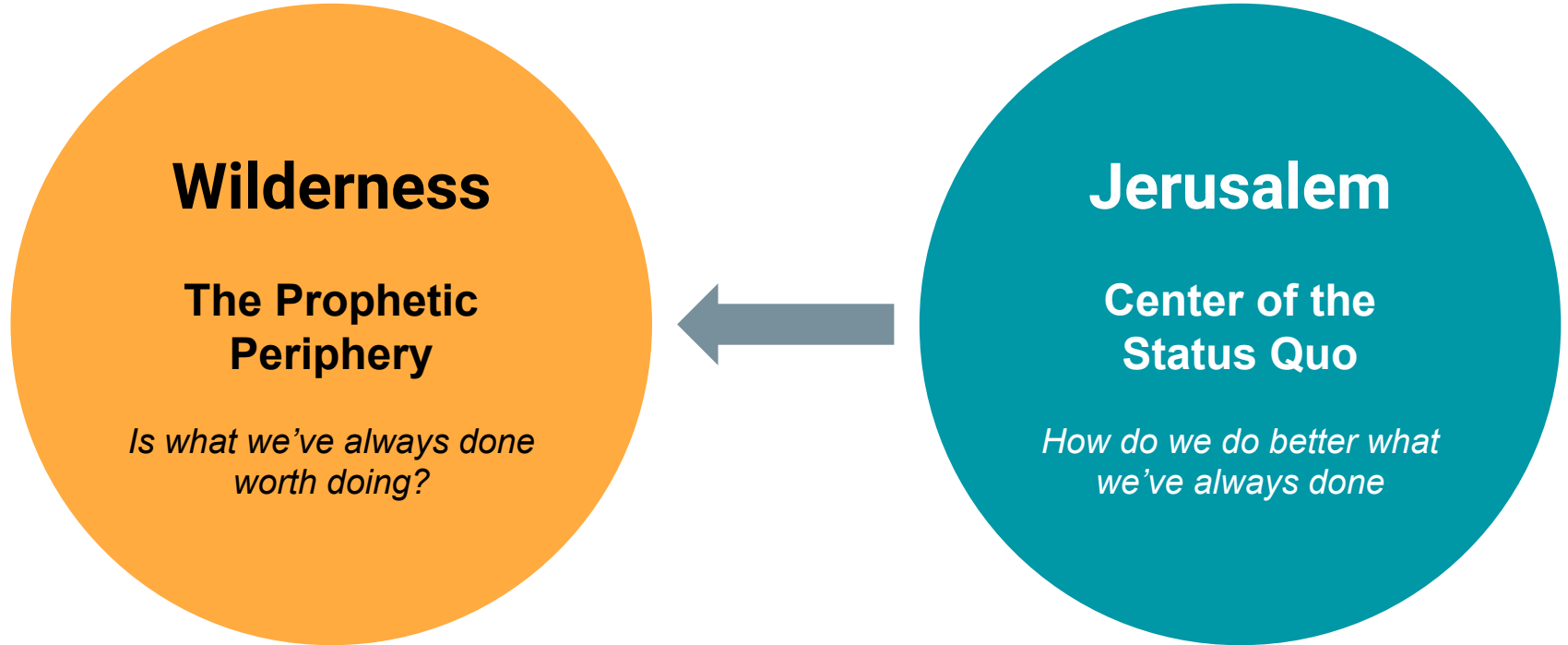


Jerusalem

Center of the
Status Quo

*We do what we do
because it's what we've
always done*

Escape from Jerusalem



Walter Wangerin Jr.

To comprehend the experience one is living in, he must, by imagination and intellect, be lifted out of it.



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Surely I am with you always;
to the very end of the age.

– **Jesus**

Mt 28:20

Silence

*Take a moment to pause in silence
and tend to God's still small voice.*

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

[Pause for Reflection]

We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

Confession

In the hands of grace, confession becomes for us a gift to help realign ourselves with God's good intentions for us.

Assurance of Pardon

Since we are justified by his faithfulness, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.

Romans 5:1-2

All: Thanks be to God.

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The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Eucharist

The term Eucharist literally means “good gift.” In gathering around the bread and the cup we celebrate together God’s good gift of himself to us.

My feet are strong, my eyes are clear
I cannot see the way from here
But on we go, He knows the way
And in His arms, He keeps me safe.

Fear not, keep on, watch and pray
Walk in the light of God's highway

God's Highway

By Sandra McCracken

Eucharist

*Come receive the bread and cup.
When you have been served return
to your seat with elements in hand.
When everyone has been served we
will eat and drink together.*

*Take some time (before or after
receiving the elements) to
recognize those whom Christ has
called to join you around his table.*

The shadows flee, The valley is deep
But evil cannot conquer me
Your rod and staff, They protect me
You give me rest, You give me peace

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I see the shore, from troubled seas
This tiny ship that carries me
It is not yet, But it will be
So heaven come, It's you we need

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

In the darkness, can you hear us?
When the night comes, are we alone?
Have you forgotten all of your children?
When we remember you we groan
But our hearts cannot be silent

O God, be our song in the night when the light is gone.
God, be our joy, be our strength, be our sheltering place;
Our song in the night

Our Song in the Night

By Michael Van Patter

Song of Response

*Let this song be a response to what
God has spoken to you this morning.*

We are broken – are we forsaken?
Has your love gone down with the sun?
And your mercy through all history,
Is it abandoned and undone?
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Benediction

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live from deep within your hearts.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of God's creation, so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out your hands to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with just enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done: to bring justice and kindness to all God's children and all our neighbors who are poor.

A Franciscan Prayer of Blessing

Benediction

*A benediction is a "good word."
As you go back out into the
world may you receive God's
good word of blessing on you.*



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