The English Community Outreach Project Protestant Deanery of Wiesbaden in the Bergkirche December 4, 2022



"Raise your heads, for your redemption is drawing near!" - Luke 21:28

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning! We are glad you are here with us. Here are a few things to help orient you during the service.

- Hymnals are available at the entrance to the sanctuary. A mask is recommended while singing.
- In the bulletin, items marked with a star* indicate that you may stand in body or spirit, as you are able. During the Prayers of the People, please remain seated until Rev. Cranbury invites you to stand for the Lord's Prayer.
- Wenn Sie eine deutsche Übersetzung der Predigt wünschen, finden Sie einige Exemplare auf dem Tisch am Eingang.

Musical Prelude Offertoire sur Noel Alexandre Guilmant

Greeting and Invocation: We gather today in the love of God, the compassion of Jesus, our Christ, and of the Holy Spirit – Amen.

*Opening Song

O Come Emmanuel

Worship and Rejoice #154

- 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.
- 2. O come, though 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...
- 3. 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 way to go. Rejoice, rejoice...

From Isaiah 35

The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom.

Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.

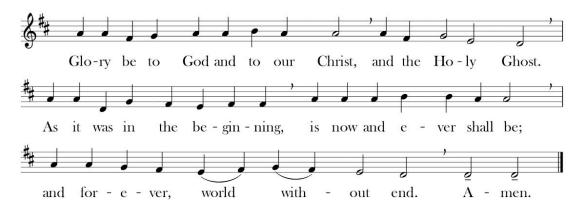
Be strong, do not fear; your God will come with vengeance and divine retribution to save you.

Then the eyes of the blind will be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. And a highway will be there called the way of holiness.

The redeemed will walk there with gladness and joy.

Reader - Come, let us worship!

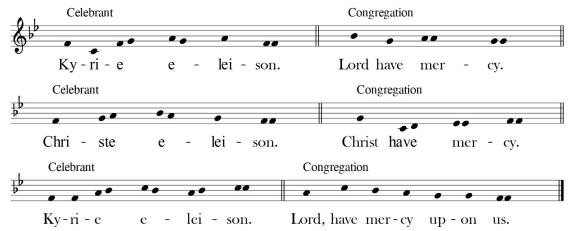


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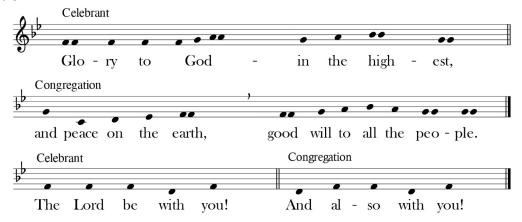
Gabriel's Message

S. Baring-Goukld, arr. David Wilcocks

Prayer of Confession



Absolution



Prayer (...through Jesus Christ, our brother and guide,): 🎵 Amen

Scripture: Matthew 11:2-11

Reader: Blessed are they who hear and keep God's Word! 🎵 Hallelujah

Choir Adam Lay Ybounden setting by Boris Old

Sermon Rev. Hannah Cranbury

Choir This is the Truth Sent from Above arr. Ralph Vaughn Williams

Prayer of the People and *Lord's Prayer - You are invited to say the Lord's prayer in whatever language or translation is most familiar or comfortable for you. If you are unfamiliar with this prayer, you may read the following words:

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 and ever.

Amen.

Announcements

*Sending Song People, Look East #161

- 1. People look east, the time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People look east and sing today; Love the Guest, is on the way.
- 2. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as the sun and moon together. People look east and sing today; Love, the Star, is on the way.
- 3. Angels announce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming. People look east and sing today; Love, the Lord, is on the way.

*Benediction -	- 🎵 Amen.
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Postlude Sortie César Franck

Technology: Jörg Müller Organ: Dirk Putzek Choir Director: Rhodri Britton

You are invited to other English Outreach events throughout the month!

First Sunday: Worship at the Bergkirche and Livestream at 10AM

Second Sunday: Dinner Church at 6PM
Fourth Sunday: Walking Church at 11:15AM
Fourth or First Thursday: Choir rehearsal at 8PM

For more information or to be added to the email list, please contact Rev. Hannah Cranbury. For choir information, contact Rhodri at rhodribritton@t-online.de.

Fundraising Update

Thank you for your ongoing support and your faith in this project! If you feel moved to financially support this ministry, you may give an offering as you exit the church at the end of the service or make a transfer to the following account:

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