



**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, December 5, 2021

*Join us live on our Facebook or YouTube page beginning at 10:30 a.m.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn: “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”**

*Words by Charles Wesley, music by Rowland H. Prichard*

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art;  
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
by Thyne all sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne.

**Hymn: “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”**

*Words: Latin Hymn, trans. J. M. Neale, H. S. Coffin. Additional words by S. Cook, B. Kauflin.*

*Music: Plainsong (“Veni Emmanuel”)*

O Come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

O Come, Thou, Dayspring from on high and cause Thy light on us to rise;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadow put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O Come, O come, true prophet of the Lord, and turn the key to heaven's door;  
be Thou our comforter and guide and lead us to the Father's side.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall by His word our darkness dispel.

O come, our great High Priest, and intercede; Thy sacrifice, our only plea;  
the judgment we no longer fear; Thy precious blood has brought us near.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel has banished every fear of hell.

O come, Thou King of nations bring an end to all our suffering;  
bid every pain and sorrow cease; and reign now as our Prince of Peace.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel, Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel,  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come again with us to dwell.

### **Time of Prayer**

### **Sermon: “Wait for the Lord”**

#### **Genesis 3:14–15 (ESV)**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.”

#### **Genesis 12:1–3 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and  
your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great  
nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.  
<sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you  
all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

#### **Genesis 22:1–8 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he  
said, “Here I am.” <sup>2</sup>He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love,  
and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the  
mountains of which I shall tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled  
his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut  
the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had  
told him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar.  
<sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy  
will go over there and worship and come again to you.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham took the  
wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the  
fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. <sup>7</sup>And Isaac said to his father

Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”<sup>8</sup> Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

### **Genesis 22:15–18 (ESV)**

<sup>15</sup> And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven <sup>16</sup> and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, <sup>17</sup> I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, <sup>18</sup> and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

### **Genesis 49:8–10 (ESV)**

- <sup>8</sup> “Judah, your brothers shall praise you;  
your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies;  
your father’s sons shall bow down before you.
- <sup>9</sup> Judah is a lion’s cub;  
from the prey, my son, you have gone up.  
He stooped down; he crouched as a lion  
and as a lioness; who dares rouse him?
- <sup>10</sup> The scepter shall not depart from Judah,  
nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet,  
until tribute comes to him;  
and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

### **Hymn: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”**

*Words and Music: Stuart Townend.*

How deep the Father’s love for us, how vast beyond all measure,  
that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away  
as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders.  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.  
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;  
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

### **The Lord’s Supper**

## Hymn: “There Is a Fountain”

*Words by William Cowper, music: early American melody*

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel’s veins,  
and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains:  
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;  
and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in His day;  
and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away:  
wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away;  
and there may I, though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

E’er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,  
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:  
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;  
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

When this poor, lisp’ing, stamm’ring tongue lies silent in the grave,  
then in a nobler, sweeter song, I’ll sing Your pow’r to save:  
I’ll sing Your pow’r to save, I’ll sing Your pow’r to save;  
then in a nobler, sweeter song, I’ll sing Your pow’r to save.

## Benediction

### Psalm 31:23–24 (ESV)

- <sup>23</sup> Love the LORD, all you his saints!  
The LORD preserves the faithful  
but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride.
- <sup>24</sup> Be strong, and let your heart take courage,  
all you who wait for the LORD!