Nov. 28, 2021

OPENING PRAYER, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

SONG: “Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly”[[1]](#footnote-1)

*Verse 1: It all comes down to this; What you require of me; Love my neighbor as myself; And You above all things*

***Chorus: Act justly love mercy walk humbly; With You God; In all things in all ways walk humbly; With You God***

*Verse 2: It all comes down to this; To be Your hands and feet; Good news to all the world; The truth will set us free*

*Bridge: It's beauty for ashes; It's mourning to dancing; It's closer and closer; The Kingdom of heaven*

*Verse 3: Years from now we'll see; The fruit our hands have sown; Faith just like a seed; The only way it grows*

SONG: [“Put a Little Love in Your Heart” DeShannon, Myers, Holiday](https://youtu.be/NTxxEdBIL6Y)

SONG: “O Come O Come Emmanuel” verse 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.***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION, PARDON, AND PEACE (modified from UCC Book of Worship)

**Creating and sustaining God, in your presence there is life. Living water springs up, and deserts blossom where you pass. Seeking the life that comes from you, we have gathered before you. O God, ready our hearts for your coming and forgive the distance we put between you and ourselves. Delight us with your presence, and prepare us for service in the world; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen**

CHILDREN’S SERMON & CANDLE LIGHTING

SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 15In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 16In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’

Luke 21:25-36

‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. 26People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. 28Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’

29 Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; 30as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. 31So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. 32Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. 33Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

34 ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, 35like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. 36Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

SERMON

HYMN: [NCH # 101 “Comfort Comfort You My People”](https://hymnary.org/hymn/NCH1995/101)

JOYS & CONCERNS, PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, in your mercy… **Hear our prayers.**

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SONG: “Rise Up Shepherd And Follow”

*Verse 1: There's a star in the east on Christmas morn; Rise up shepherd and follow; It will lead to the place; Where the Savior's born; Rise up shepherd and follow*

***Chorus: Follow follow; Rise up shepherd and follow; Follow the star of Bethlehem; Rise up shepherd and follow***

*Verse 2: If you take good heed to the angel's word; Rise up shepherd and follow; You'll forget your flock; You'll forget your herd; Rise up shepherd and follow*

BENEDICTION

PRAYER LIST

*To add to our prayer list please email Pastor Tim with a brief description of your prayer. Please indicate if you would like the prayer to be listed on an ongoing basis.* [tim.hare@trumbullcc.org](mailto:tim.hare@trumbullcc.org).

Rita & Bob Bennett, Pastor Tim’s Aunt & Uncle, experiencing health concerns

John, Sarah, and Ryan Tyler, grieving the loss of Beth

Family of Stacey Tall, friends of the Hills, grieving the loss of Stacey’s husband

Chip Warren, recovering from surgery

Mitchel Archer, continued recovery and help with new prostheses

Santiago Alfonso, (lives in our parsonage,) recovering from a severe seizure.

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