

Makawao Union Church



FIRST SUNDAY

OF

Advent

November 28, 2021

The First Sunday of Advent

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

*Congregational responses are printed in **bold**.*

The Time of Preparation

Prelude

Reflection on "Veni Emmanuel"

David Lasky

Welcome and Announcements

Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent

(Choir: *"Of the Father's love begotten, ere the world began to be, he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he."*)

Of the Father's Love

Congregational part:

Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el,
ev - er - more and ev - er - more, Em - man - u - el.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

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*Litany

During Advent, we wait for the one promised in scripture.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor.

We wait for the one who will bring answers to a world filled with questions.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor.

We wait for the one who can heal what has been wounded and mend what has been broken.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor.

We wait for the one who can renew our weary spirits and ignite our hearts with hope.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor.

We Light the First Advent Candle:

“Today we light the first candle—the candle of Hope—reminding us that Jesus was sent not only to be our Savior, but also to be our Wonderful Counselor; the one who hears our prayers with compassion, and who offers guidance when we seek it. As we begin the season of Advent, we remember that our rest can be found in God, and through the gift of God’s son our hope is forever restored.”

(Choir: “*Let the heights of heaven adore him; angel hosts his praises sing: powers, dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King.*”)

Of the Father’s Love Congregational part:



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(Choir ends: “*Evermore and evermore, Emmanuel.*”)

Gracious Lord, we thank you for your promises and for coming to earth as our Wonderful Counselor. As we begin our Advent journey, help us to know the abiding hope that comes from knowing that you will keep your promises to us. May we radiate that hope in everything we say and do. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn *Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old* #108 NCH

(See Pages 9-10)

Opening Prayer

May God be with you.

And also with you....

Let us pray.

Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

We Hear the Good News

Anthem

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

John W. Finney

Rejoice! Rejoice, believers,
and let your lights appear!
The evening is advancing,
and darker night is near.

The Bridegroom is arising,
and soon He will draw nigh;
Up, watch in expectation!
At midnight comes the cry.

See that your lamps are burning,
replenish them with oil;
Look now for your salvation,
the end of sin and toil.

The marriage feast is waiting,
The gates wide open stand;
Rise up! Ye heirs of glory,
The Bridegroom is at hand!

Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
Arise thou Sun so longed
For, above this darkened sphere!

With hearts and hands uplifted,
we plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption,
And ever live with Thee.

Jeremiah 29:11-14

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Sermon

“A Future With Hope”

Martha-Lee Bohn

We Respond with Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Giving Our Tithes and Offering

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Giver of all good things, as we offer these gifts to you,
open our eyes to see more clearly all that we have been given
and all that we have to give. Stretch our capacity to give of
ourselves: our love, our companionship, and our material
resources, wherever they are needed. Amen.**

*Hymn

The King of Glory Comes

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THE KING OF GLORY

KING OF GLORY

Refrain

The King of glo - ry comes, the na - tion re - joic - es.

O - pen the gates be - fore him, lift up your voic - es.

Verses

1. Who is the King of glo - ry; how shall we call him?
2. In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,
3. Sing then of Da - vid's Son, our Sav - ior and broth - er;

1. He is Em - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.
2. He goes a - mong his peo - ple cur - ing their ill - ness.
3. In all of Gal - i - lee was nev - er an - oth - er.

to Refrain

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Music: Trad. Israeli Folk Song.

*Benediction

*The Queen's Prayer (vs. 1)

#580

**‘O kou aloha nō, Aia i ka lani
A ‘o kou ‘oiā i ‘o, He hemolele ho‘i. ‘Āmene.**

English Translation:

Your loving mercy is as high as heaven and your truth so perfect.

Postlude

People, Look East!

Kristina Langlois

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PEACE LOVE HOPE JESUS PEACE LOVE HOPE JESUS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deacons are requesting for a few red poinsettias to grace our Altar during Advent & Christmas. Individuals are welcomed to share your poinsettia for services on Dec 12, 19, 24, as you are able. Then please take them home.

Our next dinner at Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Center in Wailuku is Sunday, December 12th. A big Mahalo to **Harlan Hughes** for shopping for and delivering the ingredients to the resource center.

Secondhand Heaven will be closed from December 22nd through January 1st, 2022. They will reopen on January 5th 2022 and continue their same hours on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9AM to 2PM.

Please continue supporting MUC with your time, talents and treasures.

To make a donation please visit our website at

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Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:

To **Martha-Lee Bohn** who has filled our pulpit today.

To **Maggie & John Rogers** for being our greeters.

To **Jay Slaughter** who for serving as the Worship Leader.

To the **Slaughter-Gamble/McCleary family** for the flowers on the pulpit in “in loving memory of Pastor Judy Slaughter.”

To the **Kepler family** for lighting the first Advent Candle.

To **Maile Kepler, Puakenikeni Kepler** and **Kiele Kepler** for being our Scripture Readers.

To **Judy Anderson, Bill Kepler, Chris Kepler, Kiele Kepler, John Rowehl, Jay Slaughter, Leah Tinkelman** and **Dave Williams** for our music today.

To **Chris Kepler** and **Peter Kim** for being our Tech hosts today.

Upcoming Events

Dec 1	9:00AM	Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Dec 3	6:30PM	Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
Dec 4	9:00AM	Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Dec 5	9:00AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30AM	Worship – Communion/Second Advent
Dec 8	9:00AM	Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Dec 9	4:00PM	Council Meeting, Narthex
Dec 10	6:30PM	Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
Dec 11	8:30AM	Men’s Breakfast, Kula Bistro
Dec 15	9:00AM	Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Dec 17	6:30PM	Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
Dec 18	9:00AM	Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Dec 19	9:00AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30AM	Worship – Christmas Sunday
Dec 24	6:30PM	Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
	8:00PM	Worship - Christmas Eve Service, Sanctuary
Dec 25	** Merry Christmas **	
Dec 31	6:30PM	Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
	** New Year’s Eve **	

Jeremiah 29:11-14

¹¹ For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹² Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³ When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴ I will let you find me, says the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. ¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³ And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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History of the Advent Season

Advent is a season observed in many Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming". The term "Advent" is also used in Eastern Orthodox Church for the 40-day "Nativity Fast" which has practices different from those in the Western Church. Latin *adventus* is the translation of the Greek word *parousia*, commonly used to refer to the "Second Coming of Christ". For Christians, the season of "Advent" anticipates the coming of Christ from three different perspectives. Since the time of Bernard of Clairvaux, who entered eternal life in 1153, Christians have spoken of the three comings of Christ: in the flesh in Bethlehem, in our hearts daily, and in glory at the end of time. The season offers the opportunity to share in the ancient longing of the Church for the coming of the Messiah, and to be alert for His "Second Coming". Advent is the beginning of the Western Church's Liturgical Year and commences on the fourth Sunday before Christmas.

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Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old

Isa. 11:6-9; 55:10-13

Joy F. Patterson, 1981; rev. 1993

Am7 Bm7 Em sus4 Em Em

1 I - sa - iah the proph-et has
 2 The moun-tains and hills shall break
 3 Yet na - tions still prey on the
 4 God, bring to fru - i - tion your

writ-ten of old how God's new cre - a - tion shall come. In - stead of the
 forth in - to song, the peo - ples be led forth in peace; The earth shall be
 meek of the world, and con - flict turns par-ent from child. Your peo - ple de -
 will for the earth, that no one shall hurt or de - stroy, That wis - dom and

thorn tree, the fir tree shall grow; the wolf shall lie down with the
 filled with the knowl-edge of God as the wa - ters cov - er the
 spoil all the sweet-ness of earth; the brier and the thorn tree grow
 jus - tice shall reign in the land and your peo - ple shall go forth in

D Em Em Am G Bm Em

Bm7 C Em/G D

C D Em Am7 Bm7 Em

lamb, the lamb, the wolf shall lie down with the lamb.
 sea, the sea, as the wa - ters cov - er the sea.
 wild, grow wild, the brier and the thorn tree grow wild.
 joy, in joy, your peo - ple shall go forth in joy.