

Welcome

MP 211 - Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark the herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled"
Joyful, all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"
 2. Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"
 3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings
Ris'n with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"
- Hymn - MP 493 - O come, O come, Emmanuel**
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, O come, Thou Lord of might,
who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.
*Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*
 3. O come, Thou rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell Thy people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
*Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*
 4. O come, Thou 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! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

5. O come, Thou key of David, come
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.
*Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 – ¹ This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: ² In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. ³ Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴ He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore. ⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Reading: Romans 13:11-14 – ¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Prayer

Sermon

Hymn – MP 457 - Make way, make way

1. Make way, make way,
for Christ the King in splendour arrives;
fling wide the gates
and welcome Him into your lives.
*Make way, make way,
for the King of kings;
make way, make way,
and let His kingdom in!*
2. He comes the broken hearts to heal,
the prisoners to free;
the deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance,
the blind shall see.
*Make way, make way,
for the King of kings;
make way, make way,
and let His kingdom in!*
3. And those who mourn with heavy hearts,
who weep and sigh,
with laughter, joy and royal crown
He'll beautify.
*Make way, make way,
for the King of kings;
make way, make way,
and let His kingdom in!*

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4. We call you now to worship Him
as Lord of all,
to have no gods before Him,
their thrones must fall!
*Make way, make way,
for the King of kings;
make way, make way,
and let His kingdom in!*

Dedication of Offering

Hymn - MP 491 - O come all ye faithful

1. O Come All you Faithful
Joyful and triumphant,
O come now,
O come now to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him,
Born the King of Angels;
*O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.*
2. True God of true God,
light of light eternal,
He, who abhors not the virgin's womb;
Son of the Father,
begotten not created:
*O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.*
3. Sing like the angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing with the citizens of heaven above
'Glory to God, glory in the highest';
*O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.*
4. Yes, Lord, we greet you
Born that happy morning,
Jesus, to you be glory given!
Word of the Father,
then in flesh appearing;
*O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.*

Benediction & Amen

Hymn - MP 460 - May God's blessing

May God's blessing surround you each day,
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.