



**A very warm welcome
Sunday 27 December 2020**

What to Expect:

Welcome - Chris Fishlock
Song - O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Confession & Lord's Prayer
Prayers - led by Carrie Fishlock
Notices
Song - By Faith
Reading; Isaiah 11:1-10 - Rachel Chua
Sermon - Tom Barnardo
Song - Jesus Is Lord
Final Words

Please note:

Social interaction inside should only be with those from your household. Exempt from this rule are designated staff/volunteers wearing the 'welcome team' lanyard - please ask them for assistance. Maintain social distancing of at least 1m at all times. Keep an empty seat between anyone not in your household. Wear a face covering whilst in the building.

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*

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*

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel*

O come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel*

Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
in the evil we have done
and in the good we have not done,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sin.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Prayers - led by Carrie Fishlock

Notices

By faith we see the hand of God

In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His
faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

*We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight*

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on Earth as in Heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and
death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

Chorus

By faith the mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

Chorus

Reading - Isaiah 11:1-10

Talk outline

Immanuel brings hope which human rulers cannot offer

i. A king the Spirit rests upon (v1-2)

ii. A king whose ways are righteous (v3-5)

iii. A king who mends creation's curse (v6-9)

Questions:

What kind of new perspective does this give on Jesus' birth?

What are we learning about Him and the hope He provides?

How does He compare to all other earthly rulers?

"Jesus is Lord"

The cry that echoes through creation
Resplendent pow'r eternal Word
our Rock
The Son of God
The King whose glory fills the heavens
Yet bids us come to taste this living bread

"Jesus is Lord"

Whose voice sustains the stars and planets
Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown
Jesus the man
Who washed our feet who bore our suffering
Became a curse to bring salvation's plan

"Jesus is Lord"

The tomb is gloriously empty
Not even death could crush this King of
love
The price is paid
The chains are loosed and we're forgiven
And we can run into the arms of God

"Jesus is Lord"

A shout of joy a cry of anguish
As He returns and every knee bows low
Then every eye
And every heart will see His glory
The judge of all will take His children home

Final words

Notices:

Children: Families remain responsible for their children in light of Covid-19, but groups are available for crèche, Sunday school and youth. Please ask, or see the guidance poster.

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Christianity Explored. Our short course looking into the claims of Christianity. The next one will be Monday 11, 18, 25 January from 6-7 pm on Zoom. Sign up on the website.

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