

RESURRECTION CHURCH

Hybrid Worship Gathering | 11.28.21

The First Sunday in Advent

If you're new, *welcome!* Our Digital Welcome Card is an easy way to get connected.

CALLED BY GOD INTO WORSHIP

The Greeting - Kaitlin

One: The Lord be with you!
Many: And also with you!
One: El Señor este contigo!
Many: ¡Y contigo también!
One: As we enter this season of Advent, may the love of God the Father, and the grace of Jesus the Son, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be and abide with us all.
All: Amen!

Welcome / Introduction - Kaitlin

The Call to Worship & Lighting of the First Advent Candle [purple] - *based on Isaiah 40:3* - Peter

One: A voice cries in the wilderness:
Many: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."
One: As we worship today, let us prepare to welcome God's dramatic work in our midst, in our hearts, in our community, and in all of creation.
All: Even so, come, Lord Jesus, come!

Light the first (purple) Advent Candle

Song of Response - *Drive Out the Darkness - The Porter's Gate Worship Project*

Come, O Come, be our light
Drive out the darkness
Come, Jesus, Come

Every year under the thorn
Every wrong that we have known
Every valley will be raised
Ancient ruins will be remade

Come, O Come, be our light
Drive out the darkness
Come, Jesus, Come

Every weapon made for war
Every gun and every sword
Will be melted in the flame
To be used for gardening

Come, O Come, be our light
Drive out the darkness
Come, Jesus, Come

In the emptiness of grief
Through the night of suffering
In the loss and in the tears
God of comfort, O be near...

Come, O Come, be our light
Drive out the darkness
Come, O Come, be our light
Drive out the darkness
Come, and end all the violence
Come, do not be silent
Come, cling to your promise
Come, break all injustice
Come, Jesus, Come

Corporate Confession of Sin - Kaitlin

O promised Christ:
We are a world at war; our peace depends on your coming.
We are a sinful people; our pardon depends on your coming.
We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises;
Our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and help us do it.
Lord Christ, Word made flesh, our world waits
for your peace, for your pardon, and for your grace.
Even so: come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen.

Personal Confession of Sin

Assurance of Grace - **Kaitlin**

The good news of Advent is that Jesus has come and will come again into the world.
He appeared that our sins might vanish;
He died that our sins might be buried;
He rose that we might walk in newness of life;
He will come again to restore, renew, and reconcile all things to himself.
Even now, know that you are a forgiven, reconciled child of God.
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

Song of Thanksgiving: The Doxology - all together!

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above you heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen.

Song of Praise - Reckless Love

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Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine

I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

There's no shadow You won't light up,
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down,
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give Yourself away
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INVITED BY GOD INTO COMMUNITY

Passing of Peace - Kaitlin

One: The peace of Christ be with you
Many: And also with you!
Uno: La paz de Cristo este contigo
Todos: ¡Y contigo también!

Res Kids Dismissal - Kaitlin

- Parents, if you've already checked your kids in, you can send them down with our volunteer at the back of the room. If you haven't checked them in, please go down with them.
- There is a *space for feeding children in the side room to your right.*
- Our kids will rejoin us after the close of the sermon, so keep an eye out for your little one.
- OPTIONAL PRAYER: "Almighty God, heavenly Father, thank you for the joy and care of children. Give us courage, patience, and wisdom as we bring them up in the faith that they might never know a day apart from you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Communal Passing of the Peace - Kaitlin

Community Prayer Time - Andrew G.

- Where do we need God to meet us? (pray for needs, griefs, burdens, etc)
  ¿Dónde necesitamos que Dios nos encuentre? (necesidades, cargas, dolores ..)
- What are we celebrating? (birthdays, anniversaries, new jobs, etc) - answers to prayer?
  ¿Qué estamos celebrando? (cumpleaños, aniversarios, nuevos trabajos, etc.) - ¿respuestas a la oración?

The Lord's Prayer - Andrew G.

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 and ever. Amen.

Announcements - **Kaitlin**

- If you're new, *welcome!* Our Digital Welcome Card is an easy way to get connected.
- Join our email list. This is the primary way that we communicate about the life of our church.
- **Thanksgiving "Share a Meal" with EBSK and Pan De Bono -** Last week, we were able to partner with the local soup kitchen and our restaurant partner Pan De Bono to provide 400+ hot meals for the food insecure. *Thank you for praying with us, for giving generously, for helping out on the ground to make this happen!*
- **Happy First Day of Advent!**
    - Please pick up an Advent devotional to join our community as we seek to prepare our hearts for the arrival of Jesus!
- **Thurs. 12/2, Vital Groups -** We have three groups that meet locally twice a month to lean into God and each other; they've been delightful! It's not too late if you're interested in joining one; talk with Kaitlin if you're curious but have some apprehensions or questions :)
- **Thurs. 12/9, Cozy Christmas -** Join us for a cozy night of community, with (optional) crafting and warm drinks and dessert! Masks required unless actively eating or drinking.
- **To give to our church,** visit www.resurrectionbos.org/give to make a one-time or recurring gift.

ADDRESSED BY GOD THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Scripture Reading (English) - Jeremiah 33:14-16 (ESV) - Alicia

14 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of
Israel and the house of Judah. 15 In 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. 16 In those days Judah will be
saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is
our righteousness.'

One: This is the Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

Lectura Bíblica (Spanish) - Jeremías 33:14-16 (RVC) - Tony

14 "Vienen días en que yo confirmaré las buenas promesas que he hecho a la casa de Israel y a la casa
de Judá. 15 Cuando llegue el día y el momento, haré que de David surja un Renuevo de justicia, que
impondrá la justicia y el derecho en la tierra. 16 En esos días Judá será salvado, y Jerusalén habitará
segura y será llamada 'El Señor es nuestra justicia.'"

One: La palabra del Señor
All: Gracias a Dios!

Message: Prepare Him Room: The Now and the Not Yet (Jeremiah 33:14-16) - Blake Phillips

Online: Discussion in Breakout Groups (~ 8 minutes)

1) What did you find most encouraging or challenging about the passage or message?
¿Qué le pareció más alentador o desafiante del pasaje o mensaje?

<u>In-Person</u>: The Lord's Supper - Kaitlin

Invitation

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Sursum Corda* ("Hearts up!):**

One: Lift up your hearts.
Many: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
Many: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Words of Institution:

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same he took the cup, after supper, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

***Mysterium Fidei* ("Mystery of Faith")**

One: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.
All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Prayer of Invocation

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and bless these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be bound in fellowship to all who share this feast, united in mission throughout the world. Keep us faithful in your mission until Christ comes in final victory, that we may feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal Kingdom. Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Communion

Concluding Prayer

Song of Response: Great Are You Lord
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You give life; You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope; You restore
Every heart that is broken

Great are You Lord!
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only
You give life; You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope; You restore
Every heart that is broken
Great are You Lord!

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise

We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing,
“Great are You Lord!”

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

Blessing - Kaitlin

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Sending - Kaitlin

One: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
let us strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying:
All: Come, Lord Jesus, come!