

# December 4, 2022

Second Sunday in Advent



## Come Worship the Living



**PRELUDE**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES**

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel* UMH# 204

**HYMN**

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

UMH# 216

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem  
hath sprung!  
Of Jesse's lineage coming, as those of old have sung.  
It came, a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter,  
when half spent was the night.

2. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind;  
with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.  
To show God's love aright, she bore to us a Savior,  
when half spent was the night.

3. O Flower, whose fragrance tender with sweetness  
fills the air, dispel in glorious splendor the darkness  
everywhere. True man yet very God,  
from sin and death now save Us, and share our every  
load.

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:46-55

### NRSV

46 And Mary said,

“My soul magnifies the Lord,

47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

48 for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant.

Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed,

49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name;

50 indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

51 He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

52 He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly;

### NLT

46 Mary responded,

“Oh, how my soul praises the Lord.

47 How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior!

48 For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed.

49 For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me.

50 He shows mercy from generation to generation to all who fear him.

51 His mighty arm has done tremendous things! He has scattered the proud and haughty ones.

52 He has brought down princes from their thrones and exalted the humble.

53 He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away with empty hands.

54 He has helped his servant Israel and remembered to be merciful.

53 he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

54 He has come to the aid of his child Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

55 according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

55 For he made this promise to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children forever.”

**PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, which 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 trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CONSECRATING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS****DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**HOLY COMMUNION****HYMN**

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

UMH# 211

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive  
Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of  
God appear.

**Refrain****Refrain:**

Rejoice. Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

5. O come, thou Key of David, come, and open wide  
our heavenly home. The captives from their prison  
free, and conquer death's deep misery.

**Refrain**

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all  
things far and nigh; to us the path of knowledge show  
and cause us in her ways to go.

6. O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spir-  
its by thy justice here; disperse the gloomy clouds of  
night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.

**Refrain****Refrain**

3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy  
tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times once gave the  
law in cloud and majesty and awe.

7. O come, Desire of nations bind all peoples in one  
heart and mind. From dust thou brought us forth to  
life; deliver us from earthly strife.

**Refrain**

4. O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree, an ensign of thy  
people be; before thee rulers silent fall;  
all peoples on thy mercy call.

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Virginia Abbott	Erica	David Pittman
Alice Alford	Jimmie Early	Sara Katherine Reid
Matt Amason	Mitch Early	Vance Richardson
Sheryl Baird	Cicero Gainer	Amy Salley
Betty Lou Brame	Jackie Gray	Janet Sheek
Peggy Burch	Sibyle Harmon	Nell Simmons
Mabel Campbell	Elnora Holmes	Hazel Stewart
Melinda Campbell	Nancy Hulon	Darlene Thomas
Justin Chamberlain	Brittany Johnson	Tim
Mitzie Conner	Maureen	Helen Wallace
Ralph Conner	Joe Miller Sr.	Curtis Walsh
Lois Crafton	Debbie Mullins	Iris Ward
Dot Davis	Frances Owen	

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Full calendar can be found at [www.ramseymemorial.org](http://www.ramseymemorial.org)

December 8	Prayer Group	(11:00am)
December 11	Advent Bible Study	( 9:00am, Sanctuary)
December 11	3rd Sunday of Advent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
December 15	Prayer Group	(11:00am)
December 18	Advent Bible Study	( 9:00am, Sanctuary)
December 18	4rd Sunday of Advent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
December 22	Prayer Group	(11:00am)
December 25	Christmas /Pajama Sunday	(10:00am, Sanctuary)

Scan the QR code below to be  
directed to our online giving  
resource!



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ADVENT STUDY

During Advent, Ramsey Church is studying together *Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here* by Max Lucado.

WHEN: Sundays, November 27 - December 18 9:00AM

WHERE: Church Sanctuary

Student books are available. To receive a copy, call or email the church office at 804-276-4628 / [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org).

A donation of \$9 is appreciated but not required.



## 65th LIVING NATIVITY & BETHLEHEM

It's that time of year!

Ramsey will be presenting our **65th** Living Nativity and Bethlehem from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

- Thursday, December 22nd (Bethlehem and nativity)
- Friday, December 23rd (Bethlehem and nativity)
  - Saturday, December 24th (nativity only)

Make the Living Nativity part of your Christmas celebration this year and please invite others to join you! If you are interested in helping, contact Debbie Garrett ([dsgarrett08@comcast.net](mailto:dsgarrett08@comcast.net)).

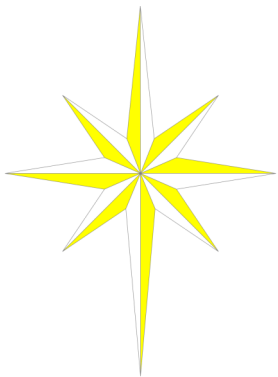


## BETHLEHEM SETUP AND TAKE DOWN

Help is appreciated to set up and take down Bethlehem. Below are the dates and activities planned. We anticipate each event will take less than 2 hours.

- December 12 at 3:30 – transform classes
- December 19 at 3:30 – stock tables in the Marketplace
- December 29 at 1:30 – inventory and pack items left in Marketplace
- December 29 at 3:30 – transform rooms back to Sunday School layout

We are in need of small toys that cost under \$2 for our visitors to purchase in the Marketplace (matchbook cars, plastic animals and dinosaurs, puzzles) and gloves for adults and children. Please email Debbie Garrett ([dsgarrett08@comcast.net](mailto:dsgarrett08@comcast.net)) if you can help with any of these efforts.



## 2023 CHURCH DIRECTORY

Ramsey is in the process of putting together an updated church directory for 2023. If you have an information change (phone, address, family additions, etc.) please let the office know by Friday, December 16 at noon. There is a prototype directory available in the back of the Sanctuary where you can see the current information we have for you.



Please either notate changes in the physical directory provided or email your changes to the church office at [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org).