Payette and Fruitland United Methodist Churches

December 13, 2020

Third Sunday of Advent

## Prelude *Gesu Bambino* Petro Yon

## Welcome

## Interlude *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* Polish Carols arranged by Alexander Guilmant

Ringing the Church Bell

Call To Worship:

Carol *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 2)* UMH #211

**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.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice!**

**Emanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Reading from Psalm 130:1-5

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord;

People: **Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.**

Leader: If you, Lord, kept a record sins, Lord, who could stand?

People: **But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.**

All: **I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.**

Unison Invocation

**Lord, you have woven the cloth of humanity too tightly for any of us to exist without one another.**

**Help us to see, in this time of isolation and distancing,**

**how much we need each other and You.**

**Come, Lord Jesus, Come.**

**Amen.**

Carol *Like a Child* TFWS #2092

**Like a child love would send to reveal and to mend,**

**like a child and a friend, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child we may find**

**claiming heart, soul, and mind, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child we will meet, ragged clothes, dirty feet,**

**like a child on the street, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child we once knew coming back into view,**

**like a child born anew, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child born to pray and to show us the way,**

**like a child here to stay, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child we receive all that love can conceive,**

**like a child we believe, Jesus come.**

Gospel Reading John 1:6-8 and 19-23

*God’s Word for God’s people*

**Thanks be to God**

Prayers of the People

Message “Today. Right Here.” Isaiah 61:1-3 and Luke 4:14-21

Carol *What Child is This* UMH #219

**What child is this who, laid to rest, on Mary’s lap is sleeping?**

**Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,**

**while shepherds watch are keeping?**

**This, this is Christ the King,**

**whom shepherds guard and angels sing;**

**haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.**

Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you   
wherever he may send you.**

**May he guide you through the wilderness,**

**protect you through the storm.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing   
at the wonders he has shown you.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors**

## Postlude *Good Christian Men Rejoice* J. S. Bach

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