

Your Name (Christmas Version)

Humbly to the earth You came;
Born into this world to save.
God with us Emmanuel,
Now we adore Your Name.

Chorus Your Name is a strong and mighty tower;
Your Name is a shelter like no other;
Your Name let the nations sing it louder;
For nothing has the power to save but Your Name!

Jesus in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today;
Lord give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name

Chorus Your Name is a strong and mighty tower,
Your Name is a shelter like no other,
Your Name let the nations sing it louder;
For nothing has the power to save but Your Name!
But Your Name; but Your Name.

Reckless Love

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.

Chorus 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, yeah.

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.

Chorus

Bridge 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.

Repeat

Chorus

ADVENT CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Bill Ferrall

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison Reading)

Millie Clarke

Merciful God, always with us, coming in glory at the end of Time: We confess that we do not know how to prepare for your Advent. We have forgotten how to hope in miracles; we have ignored the promise of your kingdom; we get distracted by all the busyness of this season. Forgive us, God. Grant us the simple wonder of the shepherds, the intelligent courage of the Wise Men, and the patient faith of Mary and Joseph, that we may journey with them to Bethlehem and find the Good News of a child born for us. We ask you to make us ready for his coming. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

~~WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD~~

PASTORAL PRAYERS, SILENT PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Prayer

Offering

Offertory

Choir

~~WE MEET GOD THROUGH THE WORD~~

Message: "God With Us Brings Love"

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Scripture: John 3:16

WORSHIP SONG

***It Came Upon the Midnight Clear**

Hymn #197

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men,
From heaven's all gracious King"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now! For glad and golden hours
Come swiftly in the wing:
O rest beside the weary load,
And hear the angels sing.

For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophet seen of old,
When, with the ever-circling years,
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE (Please join hands with the people next to you.)**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Hymn #169 V. 2

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.

Chorus Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel,
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

USHERS
WORSHIP ASSISTANT
ADVENT CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Don & Karen Ferrell
Millie Clarke
Bill Ferrall

**Those who are able will please stand.*

Thank you for silencing your cell phones during worship

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In Our Prayers: Advent Season; Tom & Lili Arpino - loss of their son Brandon;
Lynne Donat - healing; Cheryl & Don's Hollingsworth grandson - healing; travel mercies; those affected by the fires in California.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS THAT HELPED OUT AT THE WOMEN'S TEA, THRIFT SHOP OPEN HOUSE, AND THE PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY!

CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES STARTS TODAY! The Christmas Food Distribution is one of the ways The Village Church gives back to the community. The Deacons are working to offer Christmas food boxes. The schedule is as follows:

- **Sunday, December 9th at 11:30 a.m.:** We will be setting up the Church's Fireside Room for food box packing including making the boxes.
- **Wednesday, December 12th at 5:00 p.m.:** We will be packing food boxes in the Fireside Room and can use help. Pizza provided!
- **Saturday, December 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.:** Food box distribution. We can use help hosting applicants and loading food boxes into cars.

PEARLAND TEXAS MISSION TRIP MEETING - TODAY. Pearland Texas mission trip meeting today in Room A at 11:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S ADVENT BIBLE STUDY continues Monday, December 10th. This study is being led by Cindy Liggett. It will be on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG on Saturday, December 15th at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Free admission. Join us for a fun time of singing Christmas songs. Cookies and hot chocolate following the sing-along in our Fireside Room. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors! After the concert we will have cookies for everyone to enjoy, so anyone who would like to bake or bring cookies for this event please contact the Church office.

VILLAGE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL will be singing in church next Sunday, December 16th during the 10:00 a.m. service.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES. The Candlelight Christmas Eve Services are being celebrated Monday, December 24th at 5:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. These services will include the singing of Christmas carols and some newer songs, special music by our choir, and a Christmas message by Pastor Jeff, and the lighting of candles during the last song.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS. Our Advent devotional is available on the counter in the Narthex. Pick one up today!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS. Each year we look forward to the beauty the poinsettia flowers bring to our Sanctuary during this Advent/Christmas season. If you would like to purchase a plant through our church and dedicate it in celebration of a special occasion or person, or in memory of a loved one, forms are available on the Narthex Counters. The cost of each plant is \$10.00 and you may take them home after the last Christmas Eve service. Please make your check out to The Village Church and designate "poinsettia" on the memo line.

A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "Our Lord Jesus is ever-giving, and does not for a solitary instant withdraw his hand. As long as there is a vessel of grace not yet full to the brim, the oil shall not be stayed. He is a sun ever-shining; he is manna always falling round the camp; he is a rock in the desert, ever-sending out streams of life from his smitten side; the rain of his grace is always dropping; the river of his bounty is ever-flowing, and the well-spring of his love is constantly overflowing."
C. H. Spurgeon

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED. We are seeking volunteers to teach Sunday school. Mary Gilbert the Christian Education Director has everything already prepared - the lesson, craft, and all of the handouts - and sets up the room; all you have to do is come and lead the class! Our classes are divided by age: PreK thru Kindergarten and Elementary (grades 1-5). Please pray about God touching your heart to help with this very important ministry. This is a great opportunity to serve. If you would like to volunteer please contact Mary at mgilbert@thevillagechurchnv.org.

JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR! If you love to sing, and would love to join our music ministry, then we have a place for you in our Choir! Our wonderful choir is looking for all voice types: sopranos, altos, tenors, baritones. The group is led by Jon Fay who is a patient, fun, and talented Choir Director! We practice on Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. Visiting friends and family members are always welcome to join us, too! Also, if you play brass, strings, or woodwinds we are always looking for instrumentalists to enhance the music. So pray on this ministry and see if you feel led to lift your voice in our Choir. We welcome you. Please contact Jon Fay or the Church Office for more information.

2019 VILLAGE CHURCH ADULT MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Samaritan's Purse Mission Trip: Huston, Texas – February 24th - March 2nd

YouthCompass Mission Trip: Romania – April 19th -28th

Belize Dental Mission Trip: Seine Bight, Belize – May 17th-25th

Please contact the church office if you are interested in learning more info.

UNABLE TO ATTEND A WORSHIP SERVICE? Pastor Jeff's Sunday sermon is recorded each Sunday. Check out our website at <http://www.thevillagechurchnv.org/sermons/> to hear the sermon you missed.

SUNDAY TRANSPORTATION NEEDS? Do you need a ride to church on Sundays? If so, please let our church office know at 775.831.0784.

SERMON NOTES

SAVE THE DATE!

- December 11th: Women's Advent Bible Study
- December 12th: Deacon's Food Box Packing
- December 15th: Deacon's Christmas Foodbox Distribution; Christmas Sing-along
- December 16th: 3rd Sunday in Advent; Preschool Christmas Singing during 10am service
- December 19th: Session Meeting; Youth Christmas Party
- December 23rd: 4th Sunday in Advent;
- December 24th: Christmas Eve Candlelight Services at 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
- December 24th - January 1st: Preschool Closed
- December 30th: No Choir

MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

December 9, 2018 - December 16, 2018

SUNDAY

- 8 & 10 a.m. *Worship Service in the Sanctuary*
- 8:15 a.m. *Choir Practice - Fireside Room*
- 9:15 a.m. *Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary*
- 10:15 a.m. *Sunday School*
- 11:30 a.m. *Christmas Food Box Setup - Fireside Room*
- 11:30 a.m. *Pearland Texas Mission Trip Meeting - Room A*

MONDAY

- 6:30 p.m. *Office Closed*
- Women's Advent Bible Study - Fireside Room*

TUESDAY

- 2:00 p.m. *Staff Meeting - Pastor's Study*
- 6:30 p.m. *Incline Small Group - Jim & Jane Dykstra's House*

WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 a.m. *Christ, Coffee, and Cinnamon Rolls Men's Study - Fireside Room*
- 10:00 a.m. *Intercessory Prayer - Room A*
- 5:00 p.m. *Food Box Packing - Fireside Room*
- 6 to 8 p.m. *Upper Room Group - Middle School and High School - Y/R*

THURSDAY

- 7:00 p.m. *AA Meeting - Fireside Room*

SATURDAY

- 10:00 a.m. *Christmas Food Box Distribution - Fireside Room*
- 5:00 p.m. *Christmas Sing-Along - Sanctuary*


SUNDAY

- 8 & 10 a.m. *3rd Sunday in Advent*
- 8:15 a.m. *Worship Service in the Sanctuary*
- 9:15 a.m. *Choir Practice - Fireside Room*
- 9:15 a.m. *Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary*
- 10:15 a.m. *Sunday School*

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Church Leadership:

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| Alfredo Amezaga - Elder | Miriella Melara - Deacon |
| Doug Baker - Deacon | Marilyn Merritt - Deacon |
| Lynn Bandaruk - Deacon | Kira Neil - Preschool Staff |
| Ted Bandaruk - Elder | Darlene Nilsson - Elder |
| Patti Boxeth - Deacon | Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor |
| Gary Boxeth - Elder | Vicki Ogden - Deacon |
| Stephanie Conragan - Preschool Staff | Annie Payne - Office Manager |
| Pastor Tony Conragan, CLP - AV &
Youth Pastor | Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager |
| Jim Dykstra - Deacon Moderator | Allie Sacci - Preschool Staff |
| Jon Fay - Choir Director | Ann Schofield - Financial Administration,
Clerk of Session, Elder |
| Don Ferrell - Elder | Jason Stanton - Accompanist |
| Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon | Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon |
| Mary Gilbert - Christian Education Director | Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager |
| Tim Gilbert - Elder & Custodian | Paul Twichell - Elder |
| Patti Hanczarek - Preschool Staff | Debby Wiens - Pianist |
| Tasia Irons - Preschool Staff | Michele Young - Elder, Treasurer,
Women's Ministries Moderator |
| Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director | |

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 For more information, see our website:
www.TheVillageChurchNV.org or www.eco-pres.org.



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

December 9, 2018
10:00 A.M.

~WE WORSHIP THE LORD~

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Welcome to the Village Church! If you have a prayer request for the prayer team or would like more information about life here at The Village Church please fill out the blue Connection Card and place it in the offering plate. You can also update your contact information and sign up to receive our weekly news updates. We're glad you're here with us today!

OPENING PRAYER

SONGS OF WORSHIP

**Come As You Are*

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been
 Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
 Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel
 Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
 Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Chorus So lay down your burdens lay down your shame
 All who are broken lift up your face
 O wanderer come home
 You're not too far
 So lay down your hurt lay down your heart
 Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless
 And all those who've strayed
 Come sit at the table come taste the grace
 There's rest for the weary
 Rest that endures
 Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

Chorus

Bridge Come as you are; fall in His arms; come as you are
 There's joy for the morning O sinner be still
 Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
 Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Chorus
Ending Come as you are; come as you are; come as you are