

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland  
Bulletin, December 13, 2020  
Zoom Worship

**Musical Prelude**—Jay Surdell

**Greeting**—Larry Love

**Song**—“*When God Is a Child*” *Chalice Hymnal #132 (Verse 3)*

Joy is a song that welcomes the dawn,  
telling the world that the Savior is born.  
When God is a child there’s joy in our song.  
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,  
and none shall be afraid.

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**Our shared life together, aka, announcements**—

*“Here are some things our church is doing this week which just might lead us deeper into joy.”*

**Call to Worship**—Larry Love

**Opening Song**—“*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*” *Chalice Hymnal # 150*

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King;  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!”  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with th’angelic hosts proclaim,  
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King!”
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord!  
Late in time behold him come,  
offspring of the Virgin’s womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail th’incarnate Deity,  
pleased in flesh with us to dwell,

Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King!”

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings,  
mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise us from the earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the ing!”

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### **Opening Prayer**—Unison—Pastor Larry

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
you who are ever faithful to your promises and ever close to your church,  
all the Earth rejoices in hope at the Savior’s coming and looks forward  
with longing to the unfolding of your grace in all of life.  
Prepare our hearts to receive the joy and hope, peace and love  
which you bring through Christ your Son. Amen.

### **Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen.  
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### **Advent Candle Lighting**—Roy Holmes and Marjorie Brown

### **Song of Advent**—“*One Candle Is Lit*” *Chalice Hymnal # 128 (Verse #3)*

3. Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth,  
join angels in dancing from heaven to earth.  
Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise.  
One candle is lit for the joy of these days.

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### **A Story for Children of All Ages**—Larry Love

**Scripture Text**—*Psalm 126*—Beth Erickson

**Special Music**—Sarah Tarleton—

“*Grown-Up Christmas List*”—

Words: Linda Thompson-Jenner; Music: David Foster

**Message**—“*The God Who Gives Joy*”—Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11—Pastor Larry Love

**Song of Commitment**—“*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*” *Chalice Hymnal* #119  
(Verses #1, 2, & 3)

1. 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!
2. O come, thou Day-spring come and cheer  
our spirits by thine advent here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
and death’s dark shadow put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel!
3. 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! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel!

Words: ‘O’ Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3–6 para. in *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John M. Neale;

verses 2, 7 tr. fr. *The Hymnal* 1940, alt.

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**Prayers of the Community...and Lord’s Prayer**—Pastor Larry Love

**Responsive Song**, “*Away in a Manger*” *Chalice Hymnal* #147 (verse 3)

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

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## **Call to Stewardship and Prayer—Beth Erickson**

### **Doxology**

### **Communion—Call—Larry Love**

### **Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer**

### **Closing Hymn—“*Joy to the World*” *Chalice Hymnal #143***

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!  
Let all their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
3. He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

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### **Benediction**

### **Postlude and Fellowship**

## Announcements:

- Today—Live stream worship at 8:30 a.m.
- Today—Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- Monday—Monday fellowship in the courtyard, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Prayer time via Zoom, 11 a.m.
- Wednesday—Children’s story time, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday—Book study of **Brian McLaren’s *The Galapagos Islands***, 7 p.m. (Chs. 4 and 5)
- Next Sunday—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for Zoom link.
- Next Sunday—Live stream worship via Facebook and website, 8:30 a.m.
- Next Sunday—Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- You can also watch our worship services anytime on the church’s Facebook page or on our church’s website—christianchurchofwoodland.com.
- The **Christmas Offering** for Disciples Mission Fund (DMF) goes entirely to support the ministry of our regional church, the Christian Church of Northern California-Nevada. It supports the ministry we do together—starting new churches, transforming existing churches, doing camp and conference at CGC, supporting pastors, and so much more. You can support this offering by sending a gift to the church clearly designating your gift as Christmas Offering.
- Copies of the January/February **Upper Room** are here. Contact Pastor Larry for a copy.
- Zoom instructions and etiquette—Click on the highlighted Zoom link in the email Jeanelyse sent...Download the Zoom app if it asks you to (it is safe)...Please make sure you click the mute button on the bottom left of the zoom screen. It looks like a microphone. If you are not muted, everything you say can be heard by everyone else. You can unmute temporarily by pressing the space bar on your computer or by clicking on the microphone icon.
- If you would like to join in the sharing of communion, please have some bread, crackers or cookies and some juice, water or milk within reach.
- If you have announcements or prayer requests, please contact Larry (530-666-2069 or [pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net)). You can also write announcements or prayer requests in the “Chat” box at the bottom of the Zoom screen.
- Larry’s work hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.
- Greg Hayakawa’s work hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact # 530-304-5153
- Though church life is dramatically changed, our ministry continues in new and exciting ways. Please continue to support the life and ministry of the Christian Church of Woodland. You can mail your offering to 509 College Street, Woodland, 95695...or you can give electronically through our website.

## Prayer Requests:

- Prayers as the COVID-19 pandemic surges nation-wide...including Yolo County (158 cases on November 18<sup>th</sup> and 114 new cases on 25<sup>th</sup>). Doctors nurses and other hospital workers...and all essential workers. The unemployed...and struggling businesses. People in danger of losing their housing.
- Prayers for **Doyle and Linda Tuman** as Doyle has tested positive for COVID-19 and Linda has COVID-19 symptoms.
- **Heather Craig's friend, Iris Deznan**, dealing with complications related to a knee surgery.
- Prayers for **Tiffani Jahn's brother, Todd Mackey, and his son, Connor**, recovering from COVID-19.
- **Mark Dunn, Megan Shull's uncle** hospitalized with COVID-19
- We rejoice that Lea Hull is recovering from COVID-19 and has now tested negative.
- **Dale, Esther, Robyn Stiles** at the death of **Dale's sister, Nancy Shaw**.
- **Tiffani Jahn and family** at the death of **Tiffani's mother, Marcy**.
- **Beth Erickson's mother, Dorothy**, enduring added restrictions at her senior housing facility in North Bend, Oregon.
- **Leigh Dieckmann** dealing with new health concerns.
- Prayers for **Jim and Mary Johnson** as Jim is dealing with tongue cancer. **Jim is the cousin of Susie Hardman's brother-in-law**.
- **Polly Swilley, Linda Tuman's cousin** who recently had her arm and shoulder removed.
- **Bill and Jan Powell's friends, Eric and Sean**, both dealing with cancer.
- Prayers for the healing of our country in this difficult post-election time.
- Our county's convalescent hospitals as they deal with COVID-19 outbreaks.
- Students and teachers, parents and grandparents dealing with online school.
- Our country's ongoing struggle with racism.
- Ongoing prayers for: the **Parker family, Shull family, Jeanelyse Doran, Joyce Henning, Roy Holmes, Deanna Hinkle, Leigh Dieckmann, Shirley Wilson, Donald Dunn, Ana Mangandi, Katharine (Patty Overfield's mother), Edith (Pam Prater's mother), Becky Holland, Flo Tinsley, Jenny Bietel**