

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland

Bulletin, November 28, 2021
(9:00 AM Zoom Worship Service)

(We welcome you. Whoever you are, wherever you are from, wherever you are in your faith journey, whomever you love, whatever your ethnicity or first language, whatever your past, regardless of your abilities and whether you are rich or poor or in between...you are welcome here.)

Musical Prelude—Jay Surdell

Our shared life together, aka, announcements:—

“Here are some things our church is doing this week which just might provide us with even more opportunities to recognize and experience the presence of Christ in the midst of our life together.”

Call to Worship—Larry Love

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

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!

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.
Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore,

Opening Prayer—Unison—Larry Love

God of all wisdom,
our hearts yearn for the warmth of your love,
and our minds search for the light of your Word.
Increase our longing for Christ our Savior,
and strengthen us to grow in love,
Give us eyes this advent season

to see our redemption drawing near,
to recognize the working of Jesus in all of life.
We ask this all in the name of the One who comes to us. Amen.

Response— *“When God Is a Child” Chalice Hymnal #132*
(Verse #1)

1. Hope is a star that shines in the night,
Leading us on till the morning is bright.

Refrain:

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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Advent Candle Lighting—*The Candle of Hope*—Susie & Neal Hardman

Song of Advent—*“One Candle Is Lit” Chalice Hymnal # 128*
(Verse #1)

1. Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,
Our hearts long to greet you, as roses, the light.
Salvation, draw near us, our vision engage.
One candle is lit for the hope of the age.

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Scripture Text:—*1 Thessalonians 3:9-13*— Larry Love

Special Music—Jay Surdell

Sermon Text:—*Luke 21:25-36*—Larry Love

Reader: *The message of God for the people of God.*

All: Thanks be to God.

Message—*“Looking for Jesus in Chaotic Times”*—Pastor Larry Love

Song of Commitment —*“Open Our Eyes, Lord” Chalice Hymnal #44*

Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him,
and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord,
and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus.

Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him,
and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord,
and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord,
we want to see Jesus.

Words and Music: Bob Cull

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Pastoral Prayer and 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 the evil:
for thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever, and ever.
Amen. Amen.

Responsive Song—*“O Lord, Hear My Prayer” Chalice Praise #104*

O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

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Communion Call and Prayer—Larry Love

Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer—Larry Love

Closing Song—*“It Came upon the Midnight Clear” Chalice Hymnal #153*

1. 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, good will to all,
from heaven’s all gracious King.”
The world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.
3. And you 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 on the wing:
O rest beside the weary road,
and hear the angels sing!
4. For lo, the days are hastening on,
by prophet seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall comes the time foretold;
when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and the whole world send back the song
which now the angels sing.

Words: Edmund H. Sears; Music: Richard S. Willis

Benediction and Postlude

Announcements:

- Today—Zoom worship, 9 a.m.
- Today—In person and livestream worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Today—Coffee hour/fellowship time in the courtyard after worship.
- Monday—Fellowship in the courtyard or Parker Hall, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Bible study via Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Prayer Time via Zoom, 11:30 a.m.

- Wednesday—Book study, 6:45 p.m. in Parker Hall or the church library. We are reading “*A Spiritual Biography of Jackie Robinson*”...chapter 9. All interested folk are welcome to join us. Contact Pastor Larry for information...or just show up.
- Thursday—Social Worker Lunch in the Library, 12 Noon
- Thursday—CWF (Christian Women’s Fellowship) in the library, 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday—Choir practice in the sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 4th—Memorial service for **Roy Holmes**, 11 a.m.
- Next Sunday— Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for Zoom link.
- Next Sunday—Zoom worship, 9:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday—In person and livestream worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Next Sunday—Annual meeting of the congregation immediately after worship.
- Woodland Ecumenical and Multi-faith Ministries is once again doing 300 Christmas baskets for families in our community. Our church is responsible for 600 cans of fruit. Lon Springer is once again heading up this effort for us. The easiest way to secure this fruit is for us to give money directly to Lon and let him negotiate a good price with a local store. All gifts are appreciated.
- You can watch our worship services anytime on the church’s Facebook page or on our church’s website—christianchurchofwoodland.com.
- Larry’s hours in the church office are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Call him at 530-662-9356 or 666-2069.
- Pastor Larry’s days off are Friday and Saturday.
- Greg Hayakawa is on vacation through November 28th.

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SCRIP NEWS

As the holidays approach please keep in mind that if you use scrip for your shopping and gift giving our church general fund gets a considerable boost.

I will be available after church most Sundays for you to purchase gift cards from the box. I am always available by phone/text/email for special or spur of the moment purchases.

I will place our Christmas order on or about the 7th of December. If you need gift cards for your shopping or gifts please contact me before that date so that I can be sure to have what you need.

And, again, the most convenient and profitable way for you to support the scrip program is to create your own account on the scrip website shopwithscrip.com. Contact me for the enrollment code and our church will benefit from every purchase you make. You will be able to print ecards from your own computer in minutes as you walk out the door to do your shopping. You will also be able to reload most cards you have purchased from me. No need to find me for a new card.

This program has the potential to earn **BIG BUCKS** for our church but only if you participate. It's easy and costs you nothing more than you would spend anyway. These are just some of the stores and restaurants that are available to you

Home Depot.	Ace Hardware
Target	Walmart
Amazon	CVS
Burger King	JCPenney
Starbucks	

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Barnes and Noble	Famous Footwear
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Kohls	Lowes
Macys	Olive Garden
Panera	Red Robin
Applebees	REI

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Blanket Drive

Good afternoon Church Family!

I will be making some blanket donations again to those in need this holiday season. I feel so fortunate to have a roof over my head and a warm place to sleep at night, and know that others may not. Sometimes even a small gesture like a donated blanket, can go a long way.

I would like to invite you to join me to drop off a blanket to the church or my home (email me for address). If you're not able to drop one off and would like me to pick one up on your behalf, I can do so as well.

Let's see if we can beat our record of 65 blankets donated last year!

HomeAid Sacramento builds and renovates temporary, transitional and permanent housing for homeless children, women, men, veterans, and families who have experience a life-altering event and are rendered temporarily homeless. Their goal is to enable them to take the critical steps toward achieving lives of self-sufficiency.

They are seeking twin size blankets...new or handmade. Please drop off to the church or my house by 12/20/21. If you bring blankets to the church, please put them in the Gravink Room.

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<https://www.homeaidsac.org/>

Thanks and Happy Holidays! 🎄😊

Blessings,
Sarah Tarleton