

Songs for December 3, 2023
1st Sunday of Advent

Opening Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

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 you, O Israel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high, Who order all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O come, great Lord of might, Who to your tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times once gave the law,
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to you, O Israel.

Responsorial Psalm 80: "Lord, Make Us Turn to You"

Refrain. Lord, make us turn to you, show us your face, and we shall be saved.

Communion: "Creator of the Stars of Night"

Refrain

Come, O Lord, and bring your light,
O radiant star and heart's delight.
O God with us Emmanuel, with your love, the dark dispel.

Creator of the stars of night,
Your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,
We pray you hear us when we call. **Refrain.**

In sorrow that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe,
You came, O Savior, to set free
Your own in glorious liberty. **Refrain.**

When this old world drew on toward night,
You came but not in splendor bright,
Not as a monarch, but the child
Of Mary blameless mother mild. **Refrain.**

At your great Name, O Jesus, now
All knees must end, all hearts must bow:
All things on earth with one accord,
Like those in heaven, shall call you Lord. **Refrain.**

Come in your holy might, we pray,
Redeem us for eternal day;
Defend us while we dwell below
From all assaults of our dread foe. **Refrain.**

To God Creator, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Praise honor, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. **Refrain.**

Recessional: "God of Day and God of Darkness"

God of day and God of dark-ness,
Now we stand before the night;
As the shadows stretch and deepen,
Come and make our darkness bright.
All creation still is groaning
For the dawning of you might,
When the Sun of peace and jus-tice
Fills the earth with radiant light.

Still the nations curse the dark-ness,
Still the rich oppress the poor;
Still the earth is bruised and broken
By the ones who still want more.
Come and wake us from our sleeping,
So our hearts cannot ignore
All your people lost and bro-ken,
All your children at our door.

You shall be the path that guides us,
You the light that in us burns;
Shining deep within all people,
Yours the love that we must learn,
For our hearts shall wander restless
'Til they safe to you return;
Finding you in one another,
We shall all you face discern.

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