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LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP
November 29, 2026

COVENANT ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

Welcome, Prelude

Salutation & Call to Worship (unison) Psalm 121 (p 612 pew Bible)

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Hymn Sing *(Carols not required, but are found in hymns # 193-233)*

Invocation & Reading of God's Law Matthew 4:12-16 (p 962 pew Bible)

Confession of Sin (unison) Isaiah 53:1-6 (p 729 pew Bible)

Assurance of Pardon John 12:9-11 (p 1068 pew Bible)

*** Carol of Response** *Joy To The World*
# 195 *Trinity Hymnal* (verse 1)

1 Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

We Petition God Congregational Prayer

Offering & Hymn *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*
198 *Trinity Hymnal* (verses 1-2)

1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation, Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

2 Born thy people to deliver,Born a child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for ever, Now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit, Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit, Raise us to thy glorious throne. **

*** *Gloria Patri*** #735 *Trinity Hymnal*

GOD SPEAKS HIS WORD TO HIS PEOPLE

*** Prayer for Illumination**

Scripture Luke 1:30-33 (p 1016 pew Bible)
John 12:12-19 (p 1068 pew Bible)

Sermon The Son of God Take To Himself Our Misery

Prayer of Application

*** Closing Carol** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

198 *Trinity Hymnal* (verses 1-5)

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.

2 A helper just he comes to thee, his chariot is humility,
his kingly crown is holiness, his scepter, pity in distress.

3 O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King in triumph comes!

4 Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heav'n's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

5 Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel; thy grace and love in me reveal. **

*** Benediction**

**** Doxology*** #731 *Trinity Hymnal*

* Please stand if able

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The Son of God Takes to Himself Our Misery

Intro: We ought to be greatly relieved to behold Christ entering our dark world to savingly rule through His advent and incarnation.

Lesson # 1: Look at Him meeting us in our misery, coming into our wilderness to find us as aliens wandering lost in sin.

A) The Scripture: Matthew 4:15-16:

"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people dwelling in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned."

B) Shorter Catechism Q & A # 21:

Q. 21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, for ever.

C) Shorter Catechism Q & A # 23:

Q. 23. What offices doth Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of **humiliation** and exaltation …

Lesson # 2: *This the key to opening up the Glory of John 12*