

**November 28<sup>th</sup> 2021 Advent #1 HOPE**  
**ONLINE VERSION**  
**Worship you tube link: <https://youtu.be/cXle0O4VnTw>**

**PRELUDE:** #122 *Oh come Emmanuel* (violin)

Gregorian plainsong

**ADVENT CANDLE #1:** *Hope is a Star* verse 1 (#119)

by Brian Wren

*Lighters: Iain & Pat McNicol*

♪ 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.***

**CHILDREN'S TIME:** *Ah Lord God!*

by Kay Chance

♪ ***Ah Lord God, thou has made the heavens  
And the earth by thy great power  
Ah Lord God, thou has made the heavens  
And the earth by thine out-stretched arm***

***Nothing is too difficult for thee  
Nothing is too difficult for thee  
Great and mighty God  
Great in counsel and mighty in deed  
Nothing, nothing...absolutely nothing  
Nothing is too difficult for thee***

**SCRIPTURE:** Luke 1: 26-45; Acts 2:selected; (both from The Message Version)

***This is the word of the Lord - ...thanks be to God.***

**PRAYER:** #121 *Long ago prophets knew*

by Fred Pratt Green

♪ ***Long ago, prophets knew, Christ would come, born a Jew.  
Come to make all things new; bear his people's burden,  
Freely love and pardon.***

***Chorus:***

***Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!  
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!  
When he comes, when he comes,  
who will make him welcome?***

Oh God – we long to make him welcome. ...

♪ **God in time, God in man, this is God's timeless plan:  
He will come, as a man, born himself of woman,  
God divinely human      Chorus**

How we want to welcome you! We have prayers on our hearts now, ...

♪ **Mary, hail! Though afraid, she believed, she obeyed.  
In her womb God is laid; till the time expected –  
Nurtured and protected.      Chorus**

All this we pray in the name of the one promised...the one we long to welcome when he comes!

**The Lord's Prayer**

**SERMON:** ....but I might....

**CLOSING HYMN:** #403 *She comes sailing*

by G. Light – arr A Donaldson

♪ **She comes sailing on the wind,  
her wings flashing in the sun;  
On a journey just begun, she flies on.  
And in the passage of her flight,  
her song rings out through the night,  
Full of laughter, full of light, she flies on.**

Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth,  
like an empty cradle waiting to be filled.  
And from the heart of God the Spirit moved up on the earth,  
like a mother breathing life into her child.

Many were the dreamers whose eyes were given sight  
when the Spirit filled their dreams with life and form.  
Deserts turned to gardens, broken hearts found new delight,  
and then down the ages still she flew on.

♪ **Chorus**

To a gentle girl in Galilee, a gentle breeze she came,  
a whisper softly calling in the dark,  
the promise of a child of peace whose reign would never end,  
Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart.

♪ **Chorus**

**POSTLUDE:** #120 *Lo! Christ comes with clouds*

by Charles Wesley

**BENEDICTION & BLESSING:** *Go now in peace*

by Don Besig