



Christmas TREES

A MIDWEEK ADVENT SERIES

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Midweek Advent Service 3

THE TREE OF PROMISE



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INTRODUCTION & GREETING

HYMN# 12

Pastor: In the name of The Father, and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit!

Congregation: Amen

Pastor: Advent is a special time of year; a time to once again examine our hearts and lives, as we prepare for the coming Christ!

Congregation: We prepare our hearts and lives as we meditate on God's Word, and as we gather to watch and pray, with God's people.

Pastor: Prophets, priests, and kings, have longed for our Savior's coming, and we long for His coming again.

Congregation: Come, O precious Savior, come-- only hope for sinful mortals.

Pastor: Come, O Savior of the world; open are to You all portals.

Congregation: Come, Your beauty let us view; anxiously, we wait for You!

"Oh, Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel"- Hymn# 23

Pastor: Let us pray! Lord God, You have brought us safely to this hour of evening worship. For Jesus' sake, forgive our sins, remove our fears, strengthen our faith, and restore to us the joy of Your salvation! As we gather in Your name, we pray that You bless our time together. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit and energize us to do Your will. May our words of prayer, and songs of praise, be pleasing in Your sight. As You led Your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ. In Your light, we see light! Live in us, that we may live for You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and The Holy Spirit: One God, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

C: Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense, the lift - ing
up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice. O Lord, I
call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice when I
cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

Isaiah 11:1-12(page 1,074)

The family tree of Jesse had been cut down to a stump. The Lord promised that the family tree would grow again, producing a King much greater than David.

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him; The Spirit of wisdom and understanding; The Spirit of counsel and might; The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. His delight is in the fear of the Lord, and He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears; but with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth. He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of His waist. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat. The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place shall be glorious."

Pastor: The Word of The Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

"Lord, We Confess Our Numerous Faults"- Hymn# 398

Matthew 1:1-17(page 1,675)

God had promised that the Savior would descend from both Abraham and David.

In tracking Jesus' family tree, St. Matthew demonstrates that God keeps all His promises.

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations.

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord.

Congregation: **Glory to God on high!**

CHRISTMAS TREES

The Tree of Promise

MIDWEEK ADVENT OFFERINGS

ADVENT PRAYER(page 123)& THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

APOSTOLIC BLESSING:

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ(+), and the love of God, and the fellowship of The Holy Spirit, be and abide with you all.

Congregation: **Amen**

"Come, O Long-Expected Jesus"- Hymn# 6