

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

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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 every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

Born to save, born to heal, come, O Savior come.  
While we wait, while we pray, come, Savior, come.  
Hope of all heaven and earth, come, Jesus, come.  
O, Jesus come.

Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
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.

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# Welcome

## First Sunday of Advent



## Solo Gratitude

## Luke 17

## November 30, 2025



# Salem Evangelical Reformed Church, Hellers

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Waiting—Wonder—Worship

## Welcome and Announcements

### Ringling of the Bell

*We Gather to Glorify God*

**Prelude** (preparing our hearts to worship)

### Advent Candle Lighting

**\*Advent Hymn** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (#218)

### \*Our Prayer of Affirmation

Dear Heavenly Father,  
We see your evident faithfulness in the entire story of the Bible.  
Your story of redemption doesn't start in the Book of Matthew,  
but rather, we have even seen the first prophecies in Genesis 3.  
You always intended to save humanity, and you did so at such a  
great cost. May we remember your promises this Advent season.  
May the hope we have through the birth of Jesus Christ fill us  
with all joy and gladness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**Anthem** *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* —Sanctuary Choir

### \*Responsive Reading Psalm 30

Leader: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have  
not let my foes rejoice over me.

**People: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have  
healed me.**

Leader: O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored  
me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

**People: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks  
to his holy name.**

Leader: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a  
lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with  
the morning.

\*Worshippers, please stand if physically able.

**People: As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."  
By your favor, O Lord, you made my mountain stand strong;  
you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

Leader: To you, O Lord, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy: "What  
profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust  
praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"

**People: Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me! O Lord, be my  
helper!"**

**All: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you  
have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that  
my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my  
God, I will give thanks to you forever!**

*We Gather to Grow in the Spirit*

**\*Hymn of Gratitude** *For the Beauty of the Earth* (#429)

**Musical Offering** *My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness*  
—Carolyn McLain

### Pastoral Prayer

**The Message** Solo Gratitude —Dr. Sam Harbin  
Luke 17:11-19 (pew Bible page 1041)

*We Go Into the World with the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

**\*Hymn of Devotion** *There Is a Redeemer* (#201)

### \*Benediction

### \*Postlude

Worship Leader—Mark Steller

Director of Music—Carolyn McLain | Organist—David Andrews

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(in the pew rack) and drop it in the offering box.



### Sunday School at 11:15 AM—All Welcome!

Upstairs	Age 3—7	Living Together
Upstairs	Age 8—12	Worshiping God
Upstairs	Age 13—18	Digging Deeper (Westminster Catechism)
Berean Room	Adults	<i>The Basics of the Christian Life</i>