

Sunday 6th December

Introduction to Cornerstone

Call to Worship

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Benediction

Call to Worship

Leader: Let us give glory to the Lord our God and may we rejoice in God our Saviour for his daily kindness to us.

All: Great is our God and worthy to be praised.

Song: O Come All You Unfaithful

O come all you unfaithful
Come weak and unstable
Come know you are not alone
O come barren and waiting ones
Weary of praying, come
See what your God has done

Christ is born, Christ is born
Christ is born for you

O come bitter and broken
Come with fears unspoken
Come taste of His perfect love
O come guilty and hiding ones
There is no need to run
See what your God has done

Christ is born, Christ is born
Christ is born for you

He's the Lamb who was given
Slain for our pardon
His promise is peace
For those who believe

So come, though you have
nothing

Come He is the offering
Come see what your God has
done

Christ is born, Christ is born
Christ is born for you

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Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession & Assurance

As we come to God we ask for forgiveness and remind ourselves that when we do so God promises to listen and respond with grace.

Leader (Confession): God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to the glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubts and renew our hope, so that we may be filled by Your gracious love and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.

All (Assurance): She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. Children of God, Jesus saves you from your sins. Walk in His salvation, today and evermore.

Bible Reading: Luke 1:26-56

²⁶In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸The angel went to her and said, 'Greetings, you who are highly favoured! The Lord is with you.'²⁹Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰But the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favour with God. ³¹You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over Jacob's descendants for ever; his kingdom will never end.'³⁴'How will this be,' Mary asked the angel, 'since I am a virgin?' ³⁵The angel answered, 'The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. ³⁷For no word from God will ever fail.' ³⁸'I am the Lord's servant,' Mary answered. 'May your word to me be fulfilled.' Then the angel left her. ³⁹At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, ⁴⁰where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. ⁴²In a loud voice she exclaimed: 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! ⁴³But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfil his promises to her!' ⁴⁶And Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord ⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, ⁴⁸for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, ⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is his name. ⁵⁰His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. ⁵¹He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. ⁵²He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. ⁵³He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. ⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful ⁵⁵to Abraham and his descendants for ever, just as he promised our ancestors.' ⁵⁶Mary stayed with Elizabeth for about three months and then returned home.

Lectura Bíblica: Lucas 1:26-56

²⁶ A los seis meses, Dios envió al ángel Gabriel a Nazaret, pueblo de Galilea, ²⁷ a visitar a una joven virgen comprometida para casarse con un hombre que se llamaba José, descendiente de David. La virgen se llamaba María. ²⁸ El ángel se acercó a ella y le dijo: — ¡Te saludo, tú que has recibido el favor de Dios! El Señor está contigo. ²⁹ Ante estas palabras, María se perturbó, y se preguntaba qué podría significar este saludo. ³⁰ — No tengas miedo, María; Dios te ha concedido su favor — le dijo el ángel —. ³¹ Quedarás encinta y darás a luz un hijo, y le pondrás por nombre Jesús. ³² Él será un gran hombre, y lo llamarán Hijo del Altísimo. Dios el Señor le dará el trono de su padre David, ³³ y reinará sobre el pueblo de Jacob para siempre. Su reinado no tendrá fin. ³⁴ — ¿Cómo podrá suceder esto — le preguntó María al ángel —, puesto que soy virgen? ³⁵ — El Espíritu Santo vendrá sobre ti, y el poder del Altísimo te cubrirá con su sombra. Así que al santo niño que va a nacer lo llamarán Hijo de Dios. ³⁶ También tu parienta Elisabet va a tener un hijo en su vejez; de hecho, la que decían que era estéril ya está en el sexto mes de embarazo. ³⁷ Porque para Dios no hay nada imposible. ³⁸ — Aquí tienes a la sierva del Señor — contestó María —. Que él haga conmigo como me has dicho. Con esto, el ángel la dejó. ³⁹ A los pocos días María emprendió viaje y se fue de prisa a un pueblo en la región montañosa de Judea. ⁴⁰ Al llegar, entró en casa de Zacarías y saludó a Elisabet. ⁴¹ Tan pronto como Elisabet oyó el saludo de María, la criatura saltó en su vientre. Entonces Elisabet, llena del Espíritu Santo, ⁴² exclamó: — ¡Bendita tú entre las mujeres, y bendito el hijo que darás a luz! ⁴³ Pero ¿cómo es esto, que la madre de mi Señor venga a verme? ⁴⁴ Te digo que tan pronto como llegó a mis oídos la voz de tu saludo, saltó de alegría la criatura que llevo en el vientre. ⁴⁵ ¡Dichosa tú que has creído, porque lo que el Señor te ha dicho se cumplirá! ⁴⁶ Entonces dijo María: «Mi alma glorifica al Señor, ⁴⁷ y mi espíritu se regocija en Dios mi Salvador, ⁴⁸ porque se ha dignado fijarse en su humilde sierva. Desde ahora me llamarán dichosa todas las generaciones, ⁴⁹ porque el Poderoso ha hecho grandes cosas por mí. ¡Santo es su nombre! ⁵⁰ De generación en generación se extiende su misericordia a los que le temen. ⁵¹ Hizo proezas con su brazo; desbarató las intrigas de los soberbios. ⁵² De sus tronos derrocó a los poderosos, mientras que ha exaltado a los humildes. ⁵³ A los hambrientos los colmó de bienes, y a los ricos los despidió con las manos vacías. ⁵⁴⁻⁵⁵ Acudió en ayuda de su siervo Israely, cumpliendo su promesa a nuestros padres mostró su misericordia a Abraham y a su descendencia para siempre» ⁵⁶ María se quedó con Elisabet unos tres meses y luego regresó a su casa.

Talk

Song: Psalm 24

You ancient gates, lift up your heads;

you doors, be opened wide —

So may the King of glory come for ever to abide.

⁸ But who is this exalted King?

What glorious King is he?

It is the LORD of strength and might,

the LORD of victory.

⁹ You ancient gates, lift up your heads;

you doors, be opened wide —

So may the King of glory come for ever to abide.

¹⁰ But who is this exalted King?

Who can this sovereign be?

The LORD Almighty, he is King of glory, none but he.

Aleluia, Aleluia, Aleluia, Aleluia,
Aleluia

Amen, Amen, Amen

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Supplication

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

La Oración Del Señor

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra. El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy. Y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. Y no nos metas en tentación, mas líbranos del mal; porque tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amén.

Song: Holy, Holy, Holy

Verse 1

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

Verse 2

Holy holy holy
All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden
crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Who were are are
And evermore shall be

Verse 3

Holy holy holy
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power
In love and purity

Verse 4

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy
name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

Benediction

Coming up

At the close of the service this morning your City Group will be meeting online via Zoom. Please contact your City Group leader if you need more info.

A Night of Hope - Our Cornerstone carol service is coming - this year from the comfort of our own homes. Mark your calendars and tell all your friends to tune into Cornerstone's YouTube on Sunday December 20th at 5:30pm!

City Groups - meet online on their usual days of the week! If you're not currently part of a City Group or have questions, please get in touch with Laird (colin@cornerstone-edinburgh.com)

Women's Bible Study - returns this Wednesday, 10:30am. For more details, please contact Louise MacMillan (lmacmillan@live.co.uk)

Buy a Chair! - After much deliberation, we've moved ahead with the purchase of chairs for the OSH. Each chair cost £100 and these aren't part of our budget for the building project. We'd love if you would consider contributing to the cost of 1 or 2 chairs!

Old Schoolhouse Updates - Follow the latest at www.osh.org.uk/updates.

Pastoral Care for the whole Church

Our hope is that everyone connected to Cornerstone is taken care of during this time. Please also be proactive in connecting with your City Group leaders and letting them know how you are. Let's be creative about being in touch with others and finding our own ways to connect also. Feel free to contact me, Laird or AnnaLauren at any time if you need help of any kind.

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