

LIFT UP YE HEADS #8
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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!

Fling wide the portals of your heart;
Make it a temple, set apart
From earthly use for heaven's employ,
Adorned with prayer, and love, and joy.

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.

PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE CALL TO WORSHIP
Psalm 145:10-21

LEADER - All thy works shall give thanks to thee, O Lord, and all thy saints shall bless thee!

CONGREGATION - They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and tell of thy power To make known to the sons of men thy mighty deeds

LEADER -, and the glorious splendor of thy kingdom Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endures throughout all generations.

CONGREGATION - The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

LEADER - The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

CONGREGATION - The eyes of all look to thee, and thou givest them their food in due season.

LEADER - Thou openest thy hand, thou satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

CONGREGATION - The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.

LEADER - The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

CONGREGATION - He fulfills the desire of all who fear him, he also hears their cry, and saves them.

LEADER - The Lord preserves all who love him; but all the wicked he will destroy.

**CONGREGATION - My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh
bless his holy name for ever and ever.**

LET US CONTINUE TO WORSHIP GOD IN SONG.

**EMMANUEL
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Wonderful counselor
Lord of life, Lord of all
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JOY

LINDA NEAL

Today we light the candle of joy because the good news of Jesus' birth brings us and all
people the greatest joy.

(LINDA LIGHT CANDLE)

In Luke 2:10 the angel told the shepherds, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of
great joy that will e for all people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to
you; he is Christ, the Lord.

BRIAN SMITH

The Lord has done great things for us!

C O N G R E G A T I O N :

And we are filled with Joy!

LINDA NEAL

Our God has turned our weeping into singing.

C O N G R E G A T I O N :

And our tears into songs of joy!.

BRIAN SMITH

O Christ of God, advent anew in our hearts this day.

C O N G R E G A T I O N :

And remain in us forever!

BRIAN SMITH

Let us Pray:

Dear God, make us joyful people. Give us joy in our hearts now and forever. And help us to share with others the good news of Jesus that they too may know this joy. In Jesus name, Amen

**O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL # 9
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O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!
O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife, and discord cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

**IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR # 38
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It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to ALL,

From heaven's all-gracious King":
The world in solemn stillness lay,
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains,
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing:
O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing!

For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

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His name is called Emmanuel.
God is with us, revealed in us,
His name is called Emmanuel.