

BETHEL COLLEGE MENNONITE CHURCH

Dec 13, 2020

Advent 3:

Preparing for Restoration

Prelude—Andrew Thiesen

Advent Candle Lighting—Lucy and Faith Burch

O come, o come, Immanuel—verses 1 and 5 HWB 172

Welcome and prayer

Rejoice, rejoice, the Savior comes—*Sing the Story* # 4

Children's conversation

Scripture—Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11—Lucy Burch

Luke 1:46b-55

Sermon—*Preparing for restoration*—Dawn Yoder Harms

My soul proclaims with wonder—*Hymnal a Worship Book* #181

Prayers of God's people

My soul cries out—*Sing the Story* # 124

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

REFRAIN:

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,

and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.

REFRAIN

From the hall of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for you justice tears every tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, every mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.

REFRAIN

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,
'til the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around.

REFRAIN

Benediction

Worship leaders: Cynthia and Dave Linscheid

Musicians: Bethany and Tim Schrag, Ben Lichti, Renee Reimer, Suzy Burch, Verlene Garber

Audio visual: Francis Toews

Pastors: Renee Reimer, Nathan Koontz, Dawn Yoder Harms

Worship visuals Carol Buller, Judy Friesen, Sharon Koehn, Kathy Stucky, Brenda Turner