



Message: Jeff Wheeler, Lead Pastor

Worship Set: Lift High, Same God, The First Noel,
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Tidings of Truth

#1 - O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (author unknown)

What does this song teach us about Christmas?

1. Jesus is _____. -Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23

O Come O come **Emmanuel**
And ransom **captive** Israel.
That **mourns** in lonely **exile** here
Until the Son of God appears.

2. Jesus is the _____. -Malachi 4:2, Rev. 22:16, Lk. 1:78

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.**

3. Jesus is the _____. -Isaiah 11:10, Rom. 15:12

O come thou rod of Jesse **free**,
Thine own from **Satan's tyranny**.
From **depths of hell thy people save**,
And **give them victory over the grave.**

4. Jesus has the _____. -Isaiah 22:22, Rev. 3:7, Rev. 1:17-18

O come thou **key of David** come,
And **open wide** our heavenly home.
Make safe the way that leads on high
And **close the path to misery.**

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Blue Christmas - Dec. 14 | Central will host its annual Blue Christmas service on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6:30pm in the Hearth Room. This service is for those facing pain, loss, and loneliness this holiday season. It will be a place where we can see and support one another to find comfort in the presence of God.

Joe Foss Winter Gear Drive | We need donations of **NEW** winter coats for Middle & High School students at Joe Foss School. (Any sizes between youth large and adult 3XL, winter gear like hats and gloves would be accepted as well). Drop off donations in Grand Central during weekend services or at the office entrance during weekdays. If you have any questions, please contact jon.smithback@centralsf.org.

Christmas Eve Service Times

Here's a look at our schedule for our Christmas Eve services:

- Wednesday, Dec. 20 | 6:00pm (Early Christmas Eve)
- Saturday, Dec. 23 | 3:30pm, 5:00pm
- Sunday, Dec. 24 | 11:00am, 1:00pm, 2:30pm, 4:00pm, 5:30pm

Childcare for ages 3 and under available at the bolded service times

Please note that our Dec. 31 service will be ONLINE-ONLY at 9:50 am. You may view that service by visiting our website at centralsf.org/live, on Facebook at facebook.com/centralsf, or on YouTube at youtube.com/@CentralChurchSF. Additionally, there will be no service on Saturday, Dec. 30.

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Year-End Giving | According to the IRS tax code, Central Church can only apply contributions to your 2023 giving statements that are received in our office or postmarked by midnight Dec. 31, 2023. Contributions may also be dropped off at the church office during business hours or in our secure drop box located in the West Entrance. (Please note that the office will be closed the week after Christmas. We will reopen Tues. Jan. 2)

Discover Central Lunch | On Sunday, Jan. 14, we're hosting a FREE LUNCH for newcomers looking to get plugged in and meet some of our Central staff and attendees. The event is 12:15pm-1:15pm in the Hearth Room, and along with a meal, you'll get to connect with others and learn a little more about Central. Childcare IS provided after the lunch portion of our time. Visit centralsf.org/connect to register.

ATTENDANCE & STEWARDSHIP | NOVEMBER 25-26, 2023

Weekend Attendance

SW/DT Attendance	3,392
Kids' Attendance	217
Live Stream/Facebook	1,285
Total	4,894

Ministry & Missions

Weekly Donations Goal	\$128,626
Actual Donations	\$195,103
YTD Donations Goal	\$2,186,642
YTD Actual Donations	\$2,804,204
YTD Income vs Expense (10/31/23)	\$859,710

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If you are new, want to sign up for our weekly email, or just need to update your contact information, this is the place to go! Thank you for taking the time to check-in and connect with us.

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES | [Click here](#)

Prayer is a vital and important part of life at Central. Click the link above to submit your request and know we will be praying for you.

*If you have a **personal or private request** and would like someone from our Central staff to privately reach out to you, email prayer@centralsf.org.*

NEW TO CENTRAL? | [Click here](#)

If you're new to Central—Welcome! We can't wait to meet you! Find out how you can connect more deeply at Central by visiting the Welcome Desk, attending the Discover Central lunch, and signing up for the Connection Class.

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Another great way to connect with people at Central is by serving in one of our many ministry areas. Email connectme@centralsf.org if you would like to find out how you can serve.

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