



**\*Hymn 207**

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

Good Christian men, rejoice,  
 With heart and soul and voice;  
 Give ye heed to what we say:  
 Jesus Christ is born today;  
 Earth and heav'n before Him bow,  
 And He is in the manger now.  
 Christ is born today!  
 Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice,  
 With heart and soul and voice;  
 Now ye hear of endless bliss:  
 Jesus Christ was born for this!  
 He hath opened heaven's door,  
 And man is blessed evermore.  
 Christ was born for this!  
 Christ was born for this!

Good Christian men, rejoice,  
 With heart and soul and voice;  
 Now ye need not fear the grave:  
 Jesus Christ was born to save!  
 Calls you one and calls you all  
 To gain His everlasting hall.  
 Christ was born to save!  
 Christ was born to save!

**Old Testament Reading**

Psalm 11

**Congregational Prayer**

Heavenly Father, loving King, our thoughts and motives, our words and actions cannot be hidden from Your sight. Our pride and self-pity, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are laid bare before Your eyes. We open ourselves to You and humbly ask for Your forgiveness. Do not look upon our wrongdoing, but cover us in the righteousness of Christ. Reassure us that His blood is our peace, His death is our freedom, and His Spirit is our power; and let our hearts know that in Your service is perfect freedom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**\*Hymn 196**

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

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.

Joy to those who long to see Thee,  
 Dayspring from on high, appear;  
 Come, Thou promised Rod of Jesse,  
 Of Thy birth we long to hear!  
 O'er the hills the angels singing  
 News, glad tidings of a birth;  
 “Go to Him, your praises bringing;  
 Christ the Lord has come to earth.”

Come to earth to taste our sadness,  
He whose glories knew no end;  
By His life He brings us gladness,  
Our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.  
Leaving riches without number,  
Born within a cattle stall;  
This the everlasting wonder,  
Christ was born the Lord of all.

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.

**New Testament Reading**

Hebrews 12:25-29

**Message** *"WHEN THE FOUNDATIONS ARE DESTROYED"*

**\*Hymn 469** "How Sweet and Awesome is the Place"

How sweet and awesome is the place  
With Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays  
The choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs  
Join to admire the feast,  
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue,  
"Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear Your voice,  
And enter while there's room,  
When thousands make a wretched choice,  
And rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast  
That sweetly drew us in;  
Else we had still refused to taste,  
And perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God,  
Constrain the earth to come;  
Send your victorious Word abroad,  
And bring the strangers home.

We long to see Your churches full,  
That all the chosen race  
May, with one voice and heart and soul,  
Sing Your redeeming grace.

**\*God Blesses His People**

2 Corinthians 13:14

**\*Hymn 734**

"Gloria Patri"