“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” #120

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,

And ransom captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here,

Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee,

O Israel!

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” #121

1. 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.

2. 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.

“He Started the Whole World Singing” #141

1. Before the song started, the world,

Broken hearted, was dreamlessly

Passing the long, empty days;

Then a dark, lonely hillside was spangled with light,

And a song burst into the night!

Refrain: He started the whole world singing a song.

The words and the music were there all along!

What the song had to say was that love found a way

To start the world singing a song.

2. A new Word was spoken,

And chords that were broken wove

Gently together to make a new song.

It was more than a carol to greet the new morn –

For the Source of all music was born!

(Refrain)

First Baptist Church Covenant

Having been led by the spirit of God to profess our faith in Jesus Christ and having been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, we do now solemnly affirm our covenant with God and

with each other.

We pledge to serve Christ in the Fellowship of this congregation and shall be responsible church members through faithful attendance at worship, through prayer and through our giving. We shall strive to religiously educate ourselves and the

children entrusted to our care.

As we pledge our support to the work of our missionaries throughout the world, we commit ourselves to the mission to which God calls us all. We shall strive for

justice, freedom, dignity, and peace for all people.

Joined together in a community of faith with all who confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, we shall pray for a spirit of unity among all Christians.

Acknowledging our human frailties and seeking forgiveness, we profess our need of the Holy Spirit and dedicate our lives to Jesus Christ, and through him to the

care, judgment, deliverance, and mercy of Almighty God.

If we should leave this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God’s Word.