



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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December 15, 2024

Third Sunday of Advent

10:30 am

..... + **GATHERING** +

Voluntaries

Savior of the Nations, Come

David Cherwien

Pastorale on Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

Wayne Wold

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, alive in the world, reviving creation, arriving soon.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The congregation kneels as silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,

we confess that we have sinned. We trust earthly powers and human authority alone. We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.

God of might,

we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from our neighbors. We have trusted false promises.

God in our midst,

we confess that we have sinned. We plead: Come to us. Bring your mercy to birth in us.

<We stand.>

... through † Christ Jesus, whose day draws near.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Savior of the Nations, Come

ELW HYMN 263

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Assisting minister

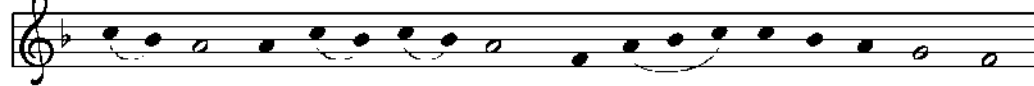


Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor -



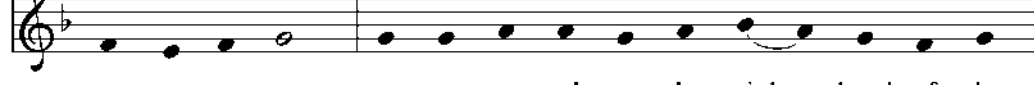
ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, O Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have



mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the



Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone



are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. Spirit of the Lord God, You bring good news to the oppressed, bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, and release the prisoners. You comfort all who mourn, and shower your people with the oil of gladness instead of mourning; a mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. We will greatly rejoice in the Lord, our whole being shall exult in God, for the sake of the one who brought righteousness to life, Jesus Christ, our salvation. Amen.

<We sit.>

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

O Come, O Come Emmanuel Vs. 3

ELW 257



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
2 O come, O Wis - dom from on high, em - brac - ing all things
3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
far and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;
Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
teach us your will and guide our way. Re-joice! Re-joice!
in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

Let us pray...

O God, the reality of your coming fills us with hope today. As we enter the second week of Advent, and as we witness the lighting of the second candle, empower us to be living signs of your love in our homes, our schools, our places of work, and our communities. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

..... + **WORD** +

READING

Isaiah 61:1-11

Pew Bible page 603

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

LIL' LUTHERAN TALK

<We stand.>

The Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 4:16-21

Pew Bible page 835

<At the conclusion of the reading>

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

<We sit.>

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

<We stand.>

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve

ELW HYMN 271

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we prepare for Emmanuel, God-with-us, let us pray for all people and places that long for God's presence.

<We kneel.>

*Each prayer petition will end with "Lord, in your mercy," and the response is "Receive our prayer."
At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "Amen."*

<We stand.>

SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

<We sit.>

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

K. Lee Scott

<We stand.>

OFFERTORY HYMN

What Shall I Render




What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all his ben - e - fits to me?



I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing



and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord.



I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the



pres - ence of all his peo - ple, in the courts of the Lord's house,



in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Creator God, you made the whole world ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding ...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy one, the beginning and the end...

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... We look with hope for his coming. **Come, Lord Jesus.**

... Bring the gift of peace on earth.. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

... one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE MEAL

God feeds us with tender mercy. Come to the table.

<We sit.>

COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world.

You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice of wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten-free wafer is available, upon request, for those who need it.

<We stand.>

THE TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Generous God, ... in your name.
Amen.

..... + **SENDING** +

SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.
In the name of the Father.
In the name of the Son.
In the name of the Son.
In the name of the Spirit.
In the name of the Spirit.
The Three-in-One.
The Three-in-One.

May the Lord bless and keep you.
May the Lord bless and keep you.
May God's face shine upon you.
May God's face shine upon you.
May God's blessings be with you.
May God's blessings be with you.
And give you peace.
And give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

Hark, the Glad Sound

ELW HYMN 239

<Please turn and face the rear of the nave.>

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.
Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

David Cherwien

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The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Dale's birthday on
December 17th by B.L. Brown.

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor
Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Organist · Nicholas Todd Shumate, Choir Director
Aubrey Guyton, Youth Director
Annette Belcher or Rebecca Sexton, Audio · Matt Bowers, Video
Woody Cornwell, Bookkeeper · Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Assistant

Worship Leadership - This Sunday

Worship Asst	Ernie Shealy
Acolyte	Miriam Titus
Crucifer	Jacob Chapman
Comm Prep	Polly Davis & Susan Hayes
Ushers	Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia, Aubrey Guyton, Dennis Caughman
Altar Flowers	Dale & B.L. Brown

Next Sunday, December 22nd

Worship Asst	Mary Alex Kopp
Acolyte	Lawson Bannister
Crucifer	Olivia West
Comm Prep	Ann Jacobs & Susan Thomasson
Ushers	Elmer Long, Mack Garner, Robert Kneece, Dennis Caughman
Altar Flowers	Caughman Family

..... **Announcements**

Christmas Eve Service - will be at 5pm Tuesday, December 24th.

Christmas Poinsettias - please plan to pick up your plants on Christmas Eve after the service. Thank you!

SUN 15	MON 16	TUES 17	WED 18	THURS 19	FRI 20	SAT 21	SUN 22
SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am Children's Christmas Program & Lunch Youth Group Outing - 1p	Prayer and Care Ministry - 9:30am ADK Teachers Sorority Mtg - 6p Cong. Council Meeting - 6p	Library Reserved - 6p	Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 5pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 6pm			GAAP @ O'Neal St UMC - 10am	

Numbers for December 8, 2024:

Attendance

Offering

Sunday School	17
In-Person	79
Online	133
Total	212

General Operating Account	\$4,940.00
Major Maintenance Account	\$3,350.00
Dedicated Account	
Choral Scholarship:	\$2,605.00
Special Flowers:	\$150.00



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