

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

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December 1, 2019 - First Sunday of Advent

New Church Year Begins - Year of Matthew

10:30 AM - Holy Communion - ELW Setting 2

Prelude and Welcome

Lighting the First Candle on the Advent Wreath -

Blessing by Pastor, then Congregational Response:

C: Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

* Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the parent who rouses us from slumber, the shepherd who gathers us on the holy mountain, the deliverer who sets us free.

C: Amen.

L: Let us come before the living God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: As we wait and watch for the promised day of salvation,

C: we open our hearts to you, O God. Search us and know us.

Reveal all that we keep inside. To you, O God, we confess our sins, known and unknown. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us in your ways of justice and peace. Make us reflections of the radiant love of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

L: Beloved children of the Most High, you are gathered before the righteous judge who has mercy on all. Splash exuberantly in the waters of baptism where sin is washed away in the river of life. Dwell peacefully in the loving arms of the one who nurtures all creation, Go forth boldly in the assurance that your sins are forgiven in the name of the one who is coming and is already here, † Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

* Sharing of the Peace

* Gathering Song "Come and Fill our Hearts" (Repeat) **ELW #528**

* Apostolic Greeting (Pastor) ELW page 120

* "Kyrie" (Lord, have mercy) **ELW #151**

* Prayer of the Day (Lay Worship Assistant) TR

First Reading **Isaiah 2:1-5** TR

Psalms 122 (Read responsively) TR

Second Reading **Romans 13:11-14** TR

* Gospel Acclamation (sung) "Alleluia ..." ELW page 124

* Gospel **Matthew 24:36-44** TR

Children's Sermon

Sermon - "The Light is Coming - to bring Peace"

* Hymn of the Day "Awake! Awake!" (vv 1 & 2) **ELW #242**

* Nicene Creed ELW page 126

* Prayers of Intercession - each prayer bid ends with these words:

P: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Offering

Choir Anthem "Come, My Light"

Offertory Song "He Came Down" **ELW #253**

* Offering Prayer (Lay Worship Assistant)

The Holy Communion

* The Great Thanksgiving (Sung) ELW page 129

* Preface for Advent (Sung by Pastor) ELW page 130

* "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" (sung) ELW page 130

* Eucharistic Prayer Advent (Pastor) ELW page 132

* The Lord's Prayer ELW page 134

* "Lamb of God" (Sung) ELW page 135

Invitation to Communion - "Come now with joy to Emmanuel's table. Feast at the banquet of hope and love."

Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow ushers)

(Gluten-free bread and grape juice are available, please ask.)

Hymn during Distribution "What Feast of Love" **ELW #487**

Communion Blessing after all have communed (Pastor)

Prayer after Communion (Lay Worship Assistant)

Mission Announcements

* Blessing (Pastor)

* Sending Song "Rejoice, Rejoice" (vv 1 & 4) **ELW #855**

Dismissal P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Asterisk () indicates to please stand if you are able; ELW is the red
"Evangelical Lutheran Worship" in the pew rack.*

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY.

*If you would like more information about this community of faith,
please speak to Pastor Deal.*



Serving in our worship this morning:

Council Communion Assistants . . . Scott Gaun, Mark Harwick
Acolyte & Youth Communion Assistant Conner Aquino
Greeters Bea von Watzdorf and Leo Grzelkowski
Lay Worship Assistant Scott Gaun
Head Usher Ben Naska
Altar GuildMark Harwick, Nancy Moskella, Barb Naska
Counters Scott Gaun, Mark Harwick
Organist/ Choir Director Carolyn Williams
Parish Secretary Ann Wong
Custodian Dianna Streletz

CALENDAR

Care-A-Lot Preschool meets only on Tuesday this week.

TODAY, Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Christian Education

10:30 AM Holy Communion

Saturday, December 7 - 7th Annual Free Community Holiday
Dinner at Riegelsville Fire House - Seatings at 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 PM.
Tickets are available today from Joe Hlavaty.

NEXT Sunday, December 8 at 5:30 PM - Confirmation at St. Peter's

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

Sunday, December 22 Sunday School presents the Christmas
Story in song and Word

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

5:00 PM Family Service (young children)

7:30 PM Festival Candlelight Communion