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First Sunday in Advent+ Blessing of the Altar Guild

The new church year begins with a wake-up call: Christ is coming soon! In today's readings both Paul and Jesus challenge us to wake from sleep, for we know neither the day nor hour of the Lord's coming. Isaiah proclaims the day when God will gather all people on the holy mountain and there will be no more war or suffering. Though we vigilantly watch for the promised day of salvation, we wait for what we already have: Christ comes among us this day as the word and meal that strengthens our faith in the promises of God.

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Reminder: There will be a Congregational Budget Meeting on December 7th immediately following the service. At this meeting, will review the proposed 2026 church operating budget, receive questions, and vote on its approval. After the budget meeting you are invited to join us at our traditional Christmas covered dish potluck hosted by WELCA. During the covered dish event we will have a Ministry Site Profile input session where we will brainstorm about how we would like our church represented in the synod online system that attracts potential new pastors. 2026 is looking to be an exciting year for ELC of Durham, as the heart of the church, your input is important to us!

Prelude: Advent Introit

GATHERING

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(Stand if you are able)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure.

C: Amen

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

(Silence is kept for reflection)

P: Long-expected God,

C: we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war. We become impatient while waiting and weary of keeping awake.

Free us from self-reliance, and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors. Increase our trust in God's timing, and awaken us to your advent among us, that we may abound in the hope you have promised. Amen.

P: God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God's own righteousness. † You are freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior.

C: Amen.

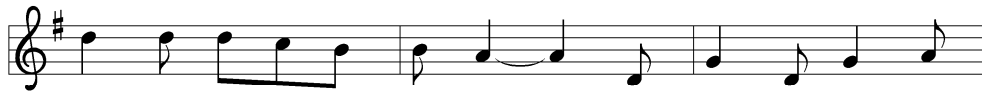


Gathering Hymn: ELW 242

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn



1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall



soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing -
Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less



geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and
sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and



lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

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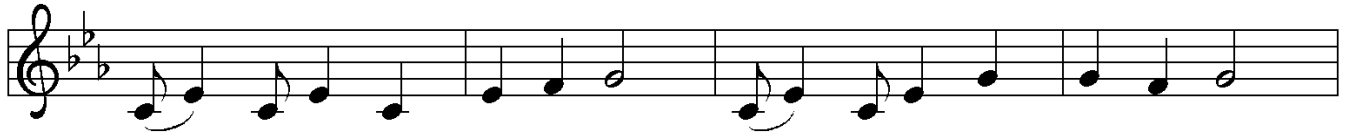
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INVOCATION

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
 2 Chris - te e - le - i - son. Chris - te e - le - i - son.
 1, 3 Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

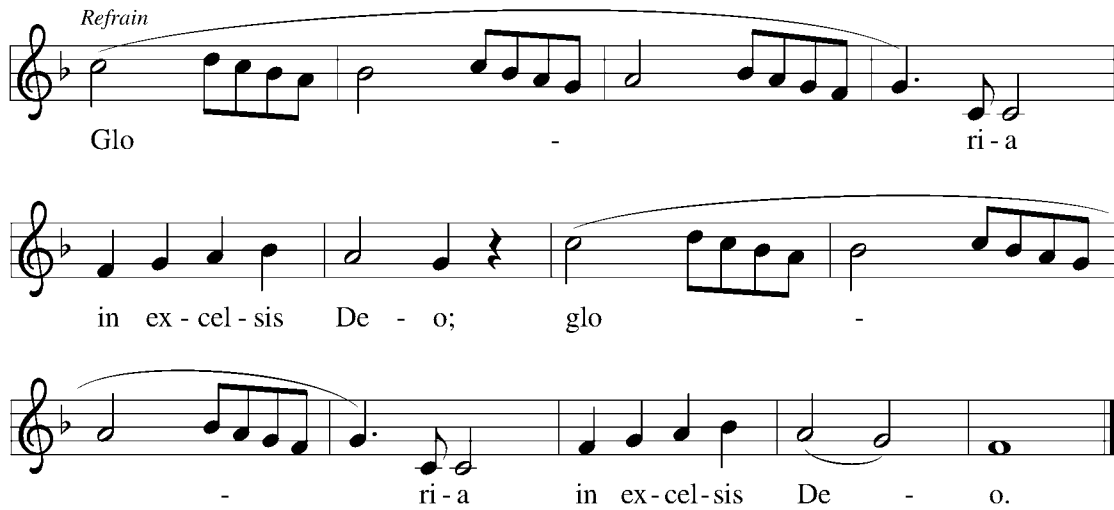


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 Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

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Gloria



Text: French carol; tr. H. F. Hemy, *The Crown of Jesus Music*, 1864
 Music: GLORIA, French carol

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Please be Seated)

First Reading- Isaiah 2:1-5

The visionary message presented in this reading focuses on a future day when God establishes a universal reign of peace. Divine decisions will make war obsolete, and the worshipping community responds: "Let us walk in the light of that Lord now!"

L: A reading from the second chapter of Isaiah.

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. ³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. ⁵O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

First Sunday in Advent



P: Each of our Advent candles represents God's generous goodness, the advent of Jesus, God's greatest gift, the Spirit's fluttering flicker of joy. As we light each candle, we recognize the gifts God has given us this week. Together, we pray:

P: God, you shield us like tender flames;

C: **your care enables us to burn brighter.**

P: God, we pool our faith like candlelight;

C: **through you we reveal hidden goodness.**

P: God, your justice upends this broken world.

C: **Use your mercy to transform everything that harms.**

P: God, we reach for unreasonable hope;

C: **and you prepare an incomparable future.**

P: Now that the warmth of God’s presence fills this place, we pray that the Spirit will illuminate our lives through the words we hear, the songs we sing, and the pathways of prayer engraved on our hearts.

Lighting the First Candle of the Advent Wreath
Lighting of 1st Candle

Blessing Prayer

Family Candlelighting: Spirit, you know how shallow hope feels when our faith hides from what is real. Use your holy story to show us the human moments when you worked wonders for your people, so we can find hope in our lives, too.

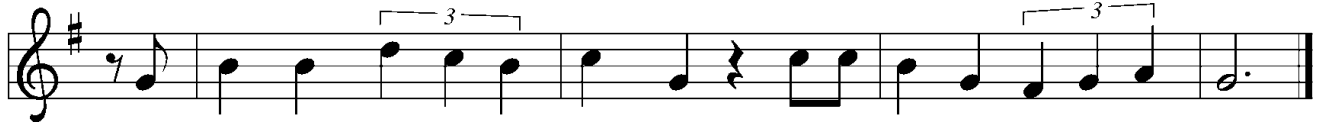
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Candlelighting Song- Verse ONE only

He Came Down



1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;



he came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have light; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.
he came down that we may have peace;
he came down that we may have joy;

Text: Cameroon traditional
Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional

Second Reading- Romans 13:11-14

Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn. We live our lives today in light of Christ’s coming in the future.

L: A reading from the thirteenth chapter of Romans.

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

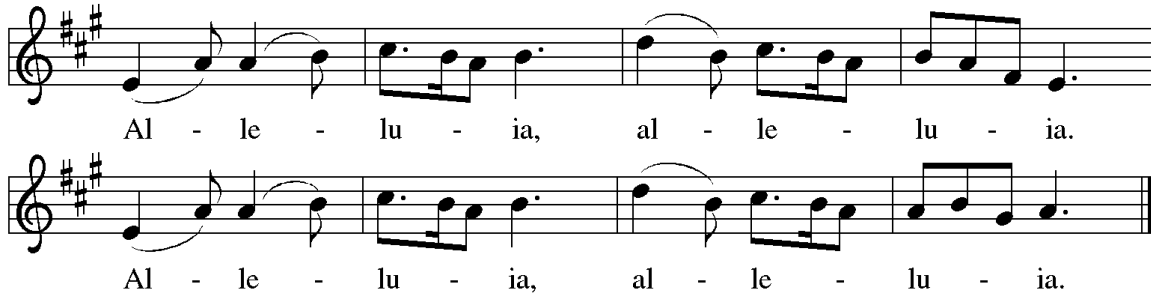
L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

(Stand if you are able)

Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus describes his second coming as a sudden, turbulent event that will bring about deep change to our normal, day-to-day lives. Therefore, he urges people to stay awake, be aware, and wait expectantly, because the Son of Man will come unannounced.

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: [Jesus said to the disciples,] ³⁶ "About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. ⁴² Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon / Sermon (please be seated)

The King Shall Come

1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um-phant breaks,
 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, to bear and fight and die,
 3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn when Christ, vic - to - rious, rose
 4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn shall dawn up - on our race
 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau - ty brings.

when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.
 and left the lone - some place of death, de - spite the rage of foes.
 the day when Christ in splen - dor comes, and we shall see his face.
 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: come quick - ly, King of kings.

Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925
 Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davission, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003
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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

The pastor will read the first and last prayer, those in the congregation are invited to read the other prayer aloud as they feel called. The congregation may turn and face the aisle.

P: In our waiting and watching, we come to you in prayer, O God, trusting your promise to renew the church, the nations, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

God of the people, we come seeking wisdom and instruction. Uphold and strengthen lay leaders, teachers, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Teach us your ways and lead us in your paths. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

God of the earth, we seek your goodness in the grandeur of creation. Empower us to care for forests and oceans, as we see you in the world around us. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

God of the nations, grant wisdom to leaders, judges, and mediators. Cast out words of hate and transform them into words for building up community. Remake implements of war to sow peace. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

God of healing, bring comfort and strength. We pray for our kindred and companions who are ill or despairing (*especially those we mention now or in the comfort of our hearts and those affected by HIV and AIDS as we remember World AIDS Day*). Surround all with care and consolation. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

God of new possibilities, when addiction wounds, jealousy tears down, and relationships fray, show us how to journey with one another. Nurture therapists, counselors, and sponsors in their care for others. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

God of all time, build up our lives that we would reflect your grace. At the last, bring us with all the saints to your holy city where peace and goodness make a home. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Draw near to us, O God, as we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

C: Amen.

Blessing of the Altar Guild

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING -

Choir Anthem: "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning"-Arr. K. Lee Scott

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

All Earth Is Hopeful

1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!
Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the
la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how
God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music. The first line begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a common time signature. The melody starts on a whole note D4, followed by quarter notes E4, F#4, G4, and A4. The second line continues with quarter notes B4, C5, and D5, then a half note E5. The third line has quarter notes F#5, G5, and A5, followed by a half note B5. The fourth line starts with a quarter note C6, then quarter notes B5, A5, and G5, ending with a quarter note F#5. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. A repeat sign with first and second endings is used at the end of the piece.

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray. God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of 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. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (said by Pastor)

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior taught us:

C: 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 COMMUNION

P: Here is life. God is with us. Come, receive what God has promised.

Lamb of God

621

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

** May be sung in canon beginning here.*
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Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow usher)

SONG DURING COMMUNION: ELW 254

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



1 Come, thou long-ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo-ple free;
2 Born thy peo-ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king;



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king-dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir-it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long-ing heart.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer-it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Music: JEFFERSON, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Prayer after Communion

P: God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Announcements

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C: Amen

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

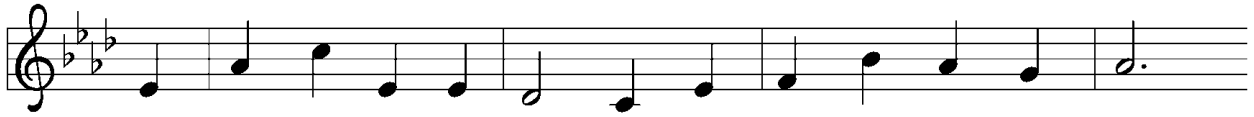
C: Amen

P: The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

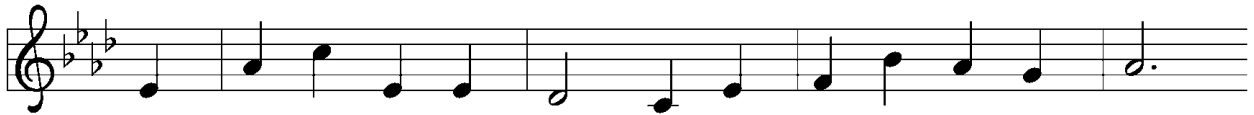
C: Amen

Sending Song:ELW 244

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



- 1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
- 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
- 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ings bore,
- 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907
Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Keep Awake.

C: Thanks be to God.

Our Outreach envelopes for December are going to the food banks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS			
Nov	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS
30			Kathy Hlavaty
Dec 2	Clayton Leichliter(18)		
4			Rowan Froehlich
6	Barbara		Brian Ashmore Sr.
THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES			
Sunday, November 30 First Sunday of Advent	10:00 AM After Worship	Communion Worship Youth Instrumental Practice	
Monday, December 1	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours	
Wednesday, December 3	10:00 AM-2:00 PM 12:00 PM	Office Hours Chat & Chew w/ Pastor Jim	
Thursday, December 4	10:00 AM 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM 1:00 PM-3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office Hours Bible Study @ the Hlavaty's!	
Saturday, December 6	3:00PM and 5:00 PM	Living Nativity at Trinity	
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES			
Sunday, December 7 2nd Sunday of Advent	10:00 AM After Worship After meeting 5:00 PM- 7:30 PM	Communion Worship Congregational Budget Meeting WELCA Christmas Potluck+ MSP Input session Confirmation Class at St Lukes	
Monday, December 8	1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours	
Tuesday, December 9	7:00 PM	Council Meeting	
Wednesday, December 10	10:00AM-2:00 PM 12:00 PM	Office Hours Chat & Chew w/ Pastor Jim	
Thursday, December 11	10:00 AM 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office Hours Bible Study @ the Hlavaty's	
Friday, December 12	5:00 PM- 8:00 PM	Parents Night Out	
Sunday, December 14 3rd Sunday in Advent	10:00 AM After Worship	Communion Worship New Member Forum Meeting WELCA Flowers and Carols to Homebound	
Monday, December 15	1:00PM -3:00 PM	Admin Office Hours	
Wednesday, December 17	10:00 AM-2:00 PM 12:00 PM	Office Hours Chat & Chew w/ Pastor Jim	
Thursday, December 18	10:00 AM 10:00 AM- 11:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Office Hours Bible Study @ the Hlavaty's	
Saturday, December 20		Church Decorating	

Worship Assistants

Preacher	Rev. James Heckman
Organist Choir Director	Carolyn Williams
Altar Guild	Kris Simmons and Linda Sauter
Greeter(s)	Scott Gaun
Acolyte	Leo G
Lector	Bea von Watzdorf
Head / Communion Usher	Mark Harwick
Council Communion	Kathryn Wagner
Counting Team	Kathy Hlavaty and Scott Gaun
Technology & Livestreaming	Ken Anderson
Administrative	Kathryn Wagner
Custodian	Dianna Streletz



For Healing of those in our Congregation: Barbara Altemus; David Antoni; Esther Crouse; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Bradley Mundt; Barbara Naska; Joanne Ziegenfuss

For Healing of Friends and Family: Phyllis Allebach; Bob Benoure; Jason Bigley; Al Boorse; Hans Buss; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Anna Cole; Peggy Coleman; Christine Connelly; Stephanie Courtney; Dan Crooke; David Davis; Nancy Edelen; Marissa Embardino; Carol and Leon Errico; Gabriella Froehlich;

Debbie Gardner; Michael Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Barea Lee Goodman; Penni Griffith; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tim Koplín; Linda Lyle; Frank Manfredonia; Jim McAnally; Letitia McCrea; Connor McDevitt; Stacy Mecham; Hunter Nebbia; Keith Newcomb; Lucia Otero; Jennifer Phelps; Dennis Phillipps; Adrienne Rozzi; Connie Rugen; Richard Seifert; Laurel Sheetz; Jami Silfies; Holly Snyder; Jeff Starling; Debbie Statler; Donna Storm; Edward Thaler; Russ Trauger; Joe V.; Karen von Ruffer-Hills; Kelly Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Ann & Henry Wong and Family; Wayne Yeisley; Barbara Yob.

For those who are Homebound: James Altemose; Jayne Miller.

For families and friends grieving the loss of:

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: joanmammana@icloud.com



KIDS ORCHESTRA PRACTICE AT DURHAM 11/30 after worship

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IF YOU ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE LIVING NATIVITY PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE AT TRINITY AT 2pm ON DEC 6th



PALM Reverse Advent Calendar

2025

December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 Diapers Baby Wipes	1 Baby Formula Infant Cereal	2 Grape &/Or Apple Juice Juice Boxes	3 Baby Shampoo Baby Lotion	4 Jello & Pudding Packs Gatorade	5 Individual Snack Crackers Peanut Butter	6 Canned Meats (Chicken, Ham, Beef) Chunky Soups
7 Pasta Sauce Pasta	8 Coffee & Tea Bags Cereali or Oatmeal	9 Canned Fish (Tuna & Salmon) Rice/Noodles	10 Canned Vegetables Canned Fruit	11 Cake, Dessert & Brownie Mix Packaged Cookies	12 Paper Towels Napkins	13 Salt & Pepper Sugar
14 Spices Olive/ Veg. Oil	15 Liquid Hand Soap Dish Detergent	16 Disinfectant Wipes Hand Sanitizer	17 Ketchup & Mustard BBQ Sauce	18 Shampoo Conditioner	19 Laundry Detergent Bar Soap	20 Toilet Paper Tissues
21 Toothbrush & Toothpaste Mouth Wash	22 Shaving Cream/ Deodorant Women's Deodorant	23 Band-Aids Feminine Products	24 Candy or a Special Treat			



Let's help fill the shelves of the local food banks again this holiday season.

We have several levels of giving again this year including donating \$25 gift cards. These gift cards are used to purchase any items of need that are not collected through donations. A \$25 gift per week (or 1 item daily) is appreciated, but please choose the level of giving that is best suited to your budget. You can also mix and match food boxes and gift cards and you can choose your own item for giving each day. We just ask that if you choose your own item that you pack your box/bag with 25 items if you are able.

Please fill your bags/boxes and bring them to your church by the end of the year.

Please No Glass or Breakable Bottles/Containers

Tis the Season for Sharing