



First Sunday in Advent

November 28th @ 9:00 AM

Parking Lot, Indoor & Live-stream Worship

* indicates where to stand, **BOLD** indicates congregational response.

Welcome/Announcements: Parking Lot worshippers please tune to 88.3FM.

Welcome to those who are Live Streaming Worship this morning! We will celebrate Holy Communion today in worship. If you would like to participate, please gather either pre-packaged Communion or an individual sized portion of bread and juice/wine. Hymns may be found at the back of the bulletin.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

He Will Be Called *Wonderful Counselor*

P During Advent we wait for the coming Savior who is our Wonderful Counselor.

C **Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

P We anticipate the One who hears our prayers.

C **Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

P We anticipate the One who heals our infirmities.

C **Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

P We anticipate the One who renews our faith.

C **Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

P We anticipate the One who ignites our hope.

C **Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.**

Candle lighting



P Today we light the first candle. The first candle reminds us that Jesus is our Wonderful Counselor who brings hope to a hurting world. As our counselor, Jesus brings hope in times of despair, compassion in times of sorrow, and healing in times of brokenness. As we begin the season of Advent, let our hope reside in the One who cares about our needs and sustains our faith.

God with Us, Emmanuel

A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent

Words and Music by
JOEL RANEY

Congregation:

Ev-er-last-ing Fa-ther, Prince of Peace,
 Won-der-ful Coun-se-lor, Al-might-y God.
 Em-man-u-el, Em-man-u-el, God with
 us, Em-man-u-el.



Prayer

Let us pray. Gracious Lord, we thank you for being our Wonderful Counselor. As we begin our Advent journey, help us to know the abiding hope that comes from knowing you. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \dagger one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God for whom we wait,

C in the presence of one another, we confess our sin before you.

We fail in believing that your good news is for us. We falter in our call to tend your creation.

We find our sense of self in material wealth. We fear those different from ourselves.

We forget that we are your children and turn away from your love.

Forgive us, Blessed One, and assure us again of your saving grace. Amen.

P God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you!

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, \dagger your sins are forgiven.

You are children of the Most High, inheritors of the eternal promise,

and recipients of divine mercy. God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

C Amen.

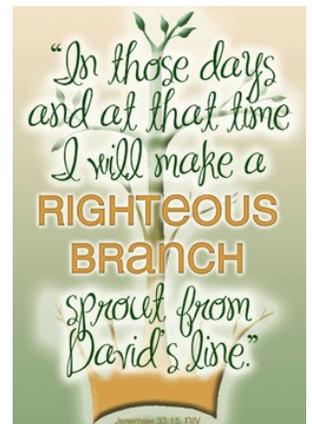
*Hymn ELW # 244 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Psalm 25:1-10

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

***Gospel Reading: Luke 21:25-36**

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”



L The Gospel of our Lord. **C** Praise be to Christ.

Children’s Sermon

Sermon Pastor Jon Gallatin

Song of Response ELW #257 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (Verses 1-4)

***Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.* On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of

the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

***Prayers of Intercession**

L Our response to lift each petition Hear us O God. C Your mercy is great.

***Sharing of the Peace**

(you may share the peace verbally or by gesture. We will not be shaking hands at this time)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C And also with you.

Sharing our Tithes & Offerings

We joyfully offer financial gifts to God's ministry through Gloria Dei in a variety of ways.

Either place gifts in offering baskets as they are distributed or go to www.gloriadeilc.org/give (or scan QR code) or text your gift to 1-877-952-9422 this morning. Outdoor worshippers may leave their offering in metal container as they recess out of the parking lot.

If you are giving electronically or at a frequency other than weekly, please place a blue card (located in the pew rack) in the offering basket to signify your gifts.

Thank you for your generous response to God's blessings!



Offertory "Hark The Glad Sound" verse 1

1 Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes,
the Savior promised long;
let ev'ry heart prepare a throne
and ev'ry voice a song.

Offering Prayer - Let us pray together,

God of our waiting and watching, we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace. Amen

Holy Communion

***The Great Thanksgiving**

L	The Lord be with you.	C	And also with you
L	Lift up your hearts.	C	We lift them to the Lord.
L	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	C	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Words of Institution**

Worshippers at home: You are invited to participate in Holy Communion. Please lift each element (bread & juice/wine) as the pastor lifts the elements at the altar.

*The Lord's Prayer - *We sing together*

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Distribution of Holy Communion

For those attending via Live Stream: Receive the communion elements at this time. If you are in a household of more than one person, please give to each other with these words, “**The Body and Blood of Christ, given and shed for you.**”

For those attending indoor worship: You will be directed forward from your pew. Please stop at the altar railing. The Communion Assistant will place Communion on the Altar Railing for you to receive. Please return to your pews with the elements and partake of Communion at that time.

For those in cars: You will receive the elements before the service begins. You are invited to partake in communion at the same time as those indoors are receiving it, or take them home and partake of them there.

For ALL: *If there are any leftovers from Communion, please pour out juice and place wafers in the grass or on the ground so that they return back to nature. (please do not pour down the drain or place in the garbage.)*

***Blessing—** The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait. **Amen.**

*Sending Hymn ELW #259 “Fling Wide the Door”

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L Go in peace. Christ is near.
C Thanks be to God.

Postlude



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'ring 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!

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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



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
 4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



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
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



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.
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



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

Fling Wide the Door



1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; the King of glo - ry
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, the heart of mer - cy's
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands that live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; our hearts are o - pen



comes in state; the Lord of lords and King of kings, the
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; his
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, the
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, up -



Sav - ior of the world who brings his great sal - va - tion
 scep - ter is his love - li - ness; he brings our sor - rows
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
 on our sor - rows shine your face, and let your Ho - ly



to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth and
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, and
 Son of bliss who fills our lives and makes us his, cre -
 Spir - it guide our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We



praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song for sav - ing us from wrong.
 a - tor of the world, our on - ly strength for good.
 praise your ho - ly name, from age to age the same!

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