

December 1, 2024

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24



Prelude

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 40: 9-10

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord. I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

***Hymn of Praise**

Angels We Have Heard on High

No. 318

***Prayer of Invocation & Adoration**

Reading of the Law

Matthew 5:21-26

(Pew pg. 810/LP pg. 1011)

Prayer of Confession

O my dearest Lord Jesus Christ, you know my poor soul and my great transgressions, and I cry out to you alone with an open heart. I am sorry that I do not have will or intentions as I should and fall behind daily, for I am a poor, sick sinner. Redeem me according to your divine will. Deliver me from all evil and all afflictions. Strengthen and increase in me true Christian faith. Give me grace to faithfully love my neighbor as myself with all my heart. Give me patience and perseverance in all persecution and trouble. I come with the assurance of what you have pledged, and cry to you as my true and faithful Redeemer. You alone know how and when I need your help. Your will be done, and your name be praised forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Rom. 5:20-21

“Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord”

***Hymn of Thanksgiving** *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People* No. 298

Scripture Reading 1 Sam. 13:8-15a (Pew pg. 235/LP pg. 303)

Westminster Shorter Catechism pg. 969

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell consists in the guilt of Adam’s first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

***Doxology** No. 567

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Hymn of Preparation** *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* (Insert)

Sermon Isaiah 7:14 (Pew pg. 572/LP pg. 718)

1. A Sign-giving God

2. A Miracle-working God

3. An Ever Present God

Questions:

1. What is the chief reason for God giving his people signs? Can you give other examples from Scripture of God giving his people signs?
2. Give some examples that others have given to try and explain away the virgin birth and why they are not good explanations.
3. How does one draw a “happy medium” between the Roman Catholic near-deification of Mary and the stodgy Protestant view of her being like any other woman in the Bible?
4. What implications does the name Immanuel have for your week this week?

The Lord's Supper

(wine in the wine-colored cups and grape juice in the clear cups)

Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Music: *Lo' How a Rose E'er Blooming / To Us a Child of Hope is Born*

***Hymn of Response**

What Child Is This?

No. 317

***Benediction**

***Gloria Patri**

No. 572

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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Postlude

We Three Kings

*** Congregation:** Please stand as able.

Musician

Intercessory Prayer

Emily Thevenin

Yon Lindborg

Weekly Calendar

SUN 12/1	9:20 AM 10:30 AM 5 PM	Sunday School Worship AM Service – LORD’s Supper Worship PM Service
WED 12/4	6 PM	Family Night
THUR 12/5	9:30 AM 6:30 PM	Women’s Morning Study Men’s Bible Study
SUN 12/08	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship AM Service Shepherding Groups Meet (No PM Service)

Serving the Lord

	12/01/2024	12/08/2024	12/15/2024
Nursery During Sunday School	Andrea Tummond	Felicia Armstrong	Karen Carleton
Nursery During AM Service	Robbin Kern & Nora Jones	Karen Carleton & Andrea Tummond	Kathleen Gretzinger & Cordie Armstrong
Nursery During PM Service	Grace Martin	N/A	Kathleen Gretzinger
Greeters	Lash Family	Judy Rogers	Robbin Kern
Treats/ Clean	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	Ben Armstrong	Joel Tummond	Ed Ross
Elder	Yon Lindborg	Jim Martin	Andrew Gretzinger
Deacon	Ben Armstrong	Craig Curtis	Jason Lash
Communion Prep	Jim Martin	N/A	N/A
Officer on Duty	Craig Curtis	Jim Martin	Ben Armstrong

Announcements

- **Lord's Supper:** Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. Participation is open to all who are trusting in Christ for salvation, living a life of repentance from sin, and in good standing with a Christian church. Please see page 3 of the bulletin for more information.
- **Family Night:** Coming up on 12/04/2024. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk

Viking Luncheon: The luncheon will not happen in November and December due to holidays. It will resume in January.

- **Adult Christmas Eve Choir:** No rehearsal tonight. Next rehearsal will be Wednesday 12/04/2024 at 5:30pm before Family Night.
- **Youth Group:** Cookie decorating on Friday Dec. 20th 6pm
- **Christmas Cookie Exchange Brunch:** Sign up sheet is at the Welcome Desk

EVENING WORSHIP

5:00 p.m.

Prelude.....“There’s a Song in the Air”

Call to Worship

+Hymn 293..... “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

+Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading.....Psalm 9

+Hymn “Psalm 9B”

Prayer of Intercession.....Elder led

Reading of God’s Word.....1 Peter 4:1-6

Preaching of God’s Word.....Rev. Andrew Gretzinger

+Hymn 300..... “Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

+Benediction

Postlude “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

+The congregation will stand at these times