



## ***First Sunday of Advent***

*November 28, 2021*

# **Emanuel Lutheran Church**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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# Welcome to Emanuel

## **WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!**

*Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by introducing yourself to those you encounter and please be sure to sign our guest book (located on the stand in the Narthex).*

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# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

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<b>PRELUDE</b>	<i>An Advent Triptych</i>	John Ferguson
<b>WELCOME</b>		Pastor Lyn Crase
<b>OPENING HYMN</b>	<i>Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying</i>	Page 16
<b>ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING (Candle of Hope)</b>	Assisting Minister	Dan Johnson

SING after Reading: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

**Amen**

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

God for whom we wait,

**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,

✝ 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.

**Amen**

## **GREETING**

**P:** 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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Let us pray together....

**Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**FIRST READING:** Jeremiah 33:14-16

Suzanne Wilke

*In the Old Testament, "righteousness" often has to do with being faithful in relationship. God acts righteously both in punishing Israel for its sin and in having mercy. In today's reading, Jerusalem's future name—"The LORD is our righteousness"—proclaims that God is even now working salvation for Israel.*

<sup>14</sup>The 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. <sup>15</sup>In 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. <sup>16</sup>In 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."

**PSALM:** Psalm 25:1-10 (NIV)

Suzanne Wilke

<sup>1</sup>In you, LORD my God,  
I put my trust.

<sup>2</sup>**I trust in you;  
do not let me be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>No one who hopes in you  
will ever be put to shame,  
but shame will come on those  
who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your ways, LORD,  
teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my Savior,  
and my hope is in you all day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love,  
for they are from of old.**

<sup>7</sup>Do not remember the sins of my youth  
and my rebellious ways;

according to your love remember me,  
for you, LORD, are good.

**8 Good and upright is the LORD;  
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.**

**9** He guides the humble in what is right  
and teaches them his way.

**10 All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful  
toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (MSG)

Suzanne Wilke

*Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.*

**9-10** What would be an adequate thanksgiving to offer God for all the joy we experience before him because of you? We do what we can, praying away, night and day, asking for the bonus of seeing your faces again and doing what we can to help when your faith falters.

**11-13** May God our Father himself and our Master Jesus clear the road to you! And may the Master pour on the love so it fills your lives and splashes over on everyone around you, just as it does from us to you. May you be infused with strength and purity, filled with confidence in the presence of God our Father when our Master Jesus arrives with all his followers.

**P:** The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P:** The Gospel according to Luke, Chapter 21. (*Stand as able.*)

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL:** Luke 21:25-36

*God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly on that day and receive God's promised redemption.*

Jesus said: <sup>25-26</sup> “It will seem like all hell has broken loose—sun, moon, stars, earth, sea, in an uproar and everyone all over the world in a panic, the wind knocked out of them by the threat of doom, the powers-that-be quaking.

<sup>27-28</sup> “And then—then!—they’ll see the Son of Man welcomed in grand style—a glorious welcome! When all this starts to happen, up on your feet. Stand tall with your heads high. Help is on the way!”

<sup>29-33</sup> He told them a story. “Look at a fig tree. Any tree for that matter. When the leaves begin to show, one look tells you that summer is right around the corner. The same here—when you see these things happen, you know God’s kingdom is about here. Don’t brush this off: I’m not just saying this for some future generation, but for this one, too—these things will happen. Sky and earth will wear out; my words won’t wear out.

<sup>34-36</sup> “But be on your guard. Don’t let the sharp edge of your expectation get dulled by parties and drinking and shopping. Otherwise, that Day is going to take you by complete surprise, spring on you suddenly like a trap, for it’s going to come on everyone, everywhere, at once. So, whatever you do, don’t fall asleep at the wheel. Pray constantly that you will have the strength and wits to make it through everything that’s coming and end up on your feet before the Son of Man.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (REPEATED)** *Please be seated.*

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      *Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending*

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## **APOSTLE’S CREED**

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostle’s Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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** (Please sit or kneel as able)

- A: 1) In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.
- 2) God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 3) God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 4) God of justice and love, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 5) God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await life transitions of every kind. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 6) God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural disasters, for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 7) God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
- 8) Silent prayer.
- 9) God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

**Amen**

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

*The sharing of peace is an individual and communal act of forgiveness.*

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERTORY**

The offering is our response to God's grace and mercy.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**P:** 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**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**P:** In recognition of God's forgiveness, mercy and grace let us continue with the Great Thanksgiving.

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

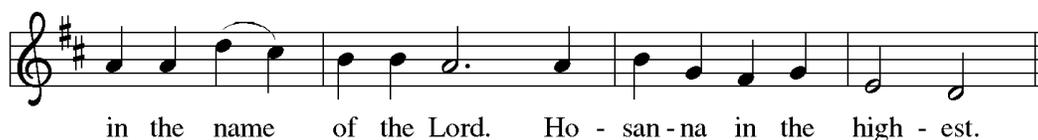
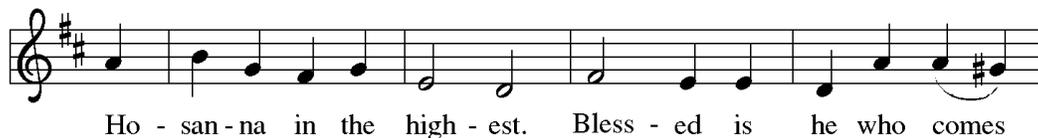
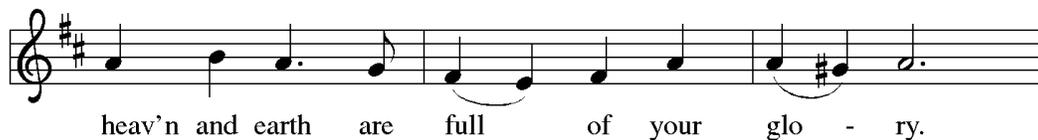
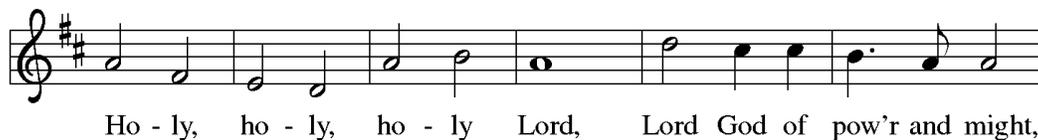
**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## **PREFACE**

**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 call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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**



## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**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.

**P:** 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:

**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.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

**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.

**Amen**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P:** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

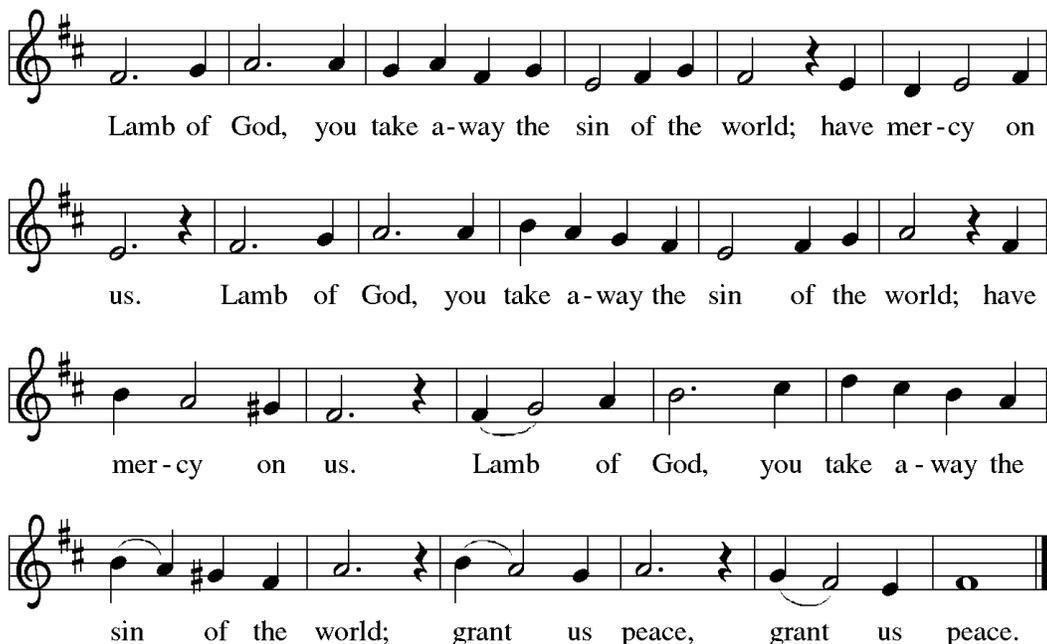
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P:** Come to Christ's banquet. Feast on God's gift of grace.

*We practice continuous communion. All are welcome. White grape juice is available for those who prefer that instead of wine. Gluten free wafers available.*

## LAMB OF GOD



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

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah*

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## COMMUNION BLESSING

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

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**P:** Most High God,  
you have come among us at this table.  
By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your word,  
sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all,  
through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

**Amen**

## BLESSING

**P:** 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

*The King Shall Come*

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## DISMISSAL

**A:** Go in peace. Christ is near.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*The King Shall Come*

Michael Burkhardt



**Advent Prayer Week 1:** We praise you, O God, for this evergreen crown that marks our days of preparations for Christ's advent. As we light the first candle on this wreath, rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes with all the saints and angels. Enlighten us with your grace and prepare our hearts to welcome him with joy. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near. Amen

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### **Our Mission**

*To share Christ's unconditional love with everyone.*

### **Our Vision**

*Emanuel's vision is to be loving, supportive, and welcoming, as we reach out in service and in witness to our neighborhood and the city beyond.*

*We share a passion to nurture people in all stages and circumstances of life.*

*We, as disciples of Christ, minister to our changing community in challenging cultural times.*

*God is calling us to joyfully follow the Holy Spirit in ministry to others.*



## **Announcements: Week of November 28, 2021**

**NEXT WEEK! Food for Faith Sunday** — Non-perishable food items can be placed in the basket in the Narthex. On December 5th, an Outreach member's car trunk will be open out in the parking lot before and after the 9:30 service for convenience, so please be sure to place your items there. Your generous donations benefit The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus.

Emanuel's WELCA will have our **Annual Cookie Exchange** on Saturday, December 4th at 10:00 am. We'll have fun singing Christmas Carols with Dave and his guitar. Please bring 3 dozen cookies to exchange and sell on Sunday, the next day.

**December 5th** — Emanuel's Giving Tree will be up, decorated and adorned with tags for children needing a little Christmas cheer this holiday season. Your thoughtful donations will assist two or three families, including one family from Family Promise. Also going up will be our Annual Sock, Hat and Mitten tree for the Modesto Gospel Mission. Please be sure to bring your gift in by December 15th.

**Outreach Ministry Winter Coat Drive**—Bring new or gently used coats, jackets, and heavy sweaters to the "drop table" in the Narthex. *ENDS TODAY*

**Eagle Scout Landscape Project**—The project will soon be underway. Some of the costs are being covered anonymously but some funding is needed for the plants and shrubs. Any amount would be greatly appreciated and be sure to designate it for the Landscaping Project.

**Poinsettias** can be brought to church starting Sunday December 19th. All poinsettias should be removed on or by Sunday January 2, 2022. Poinsettias symbolize goodwill, community spirit, cheer and success. What a wonderful way to augment our celebration of Advent and Christmas with this beautiful plant.

**Emanuel Lutheran Day Care** — Fresh fruits and healthy veggies are needed this month — zucchini, strawberries and cucumbers. Please sign up on the list in the Narthex. Items can be left in the kitchen or office. *ELDC staff & children appreciate your donations!*

**United Lutheran Church Manteca** will be hosting their Annual German Advent Service TODAY at 4:00 pm. The event will be held in person and is also available by live stream on their YouTube page. For more information, contact Lovey Zielke at Unthluthrn@Aol.com or call 209-823-1971.

## **Ongoing Announcements**

**TEXT STUDY:** Every Tuesday, year-round, in Luther Hall at noon. We discuss the lessons for the next Sunday. Come anytime you are available, leave early if you need to, bring your lunch. Generally, this lasts about an hour and 15 minutes....give or take.

**Adult Bible Study** — An Advent study, “A Not So Silent Night” begins December 1st. Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Please join anytime.

**Hosts are needed** for Coffee Hour. Please see the sign-up sheet in Luther Hall.

**Choir rehearsals** — Sundays, downstairs at about 11 o'clock.

**Coin Jar** -- Your spare change makes a difference! Proceeds go to Outreach.

**Quilting Bee** -- December 13, 10:00 am. All are welcome & all skill levels as well. If you can use scissors and/or tie a knot, there will be a job for you!

**Lydia Circle** meets the 2nd Monday of each month in Luther Hall at 1 pm. We use the GATHER magazine as our Bible Study. All women of Emanuel are invited to join us.

**Leah Circle** meets on the third Monday of the month at 1:00 pm.

**Rebecca Circle** meets every 3rd Thursday at 1:30 pm in member's homes. All are welcome!

**The Shower Shuttle and Laundry Shuttle** are actively taking care of our homeless communities, and the needs remain the same. Many items are available at the Dollar Stores. *Thank you all for your contributions to this Ministry, Marilyn and Chuck Rowland*

- Toiletries—all sizes
- Men's and women's underwear in small and medium sizes
- Plain white vinegar and bleach
- Extra-strength laundry detergent
- Bath towels, any size and color

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NOV. 1  
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← ENDS TODAY

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# Entrance Hymn

## Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men  
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her  
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and



on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.  
heart with joy is spring-ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.  
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym-bal's clear-est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the  
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in  
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to



thrill-ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid-ens! Night is past.  
grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.  
bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.



The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"  
Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.  
No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun-d'ring might



Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;  
Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,  
of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!



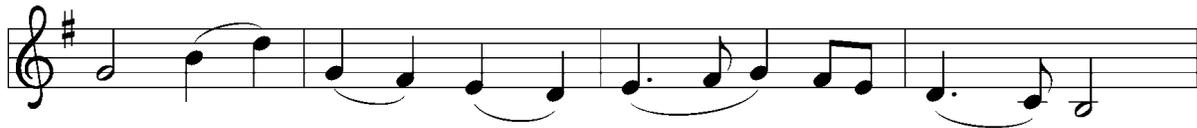
go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.  
and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.  
There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608; tr. composite  
Music: WACHET AUF, Philipp Nicolai  
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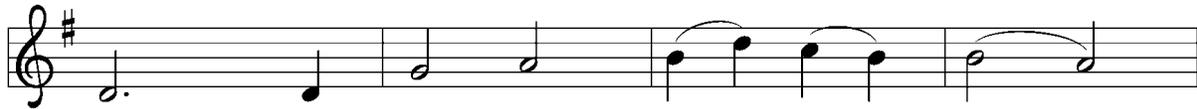
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## Sermon Hymn

### Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending



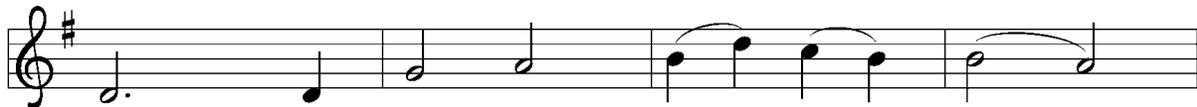
1 Lo! he comes with clouds de - scend - ing,  
2 Now re - demp - tion, long - ex - pect - ed,  
3 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee,



once for our sal - va - tion slain;  
comes in sol - emn splen - dor near;  
high on thine e - ter - nal throne;



thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
all the saints this world re - ject - ed  
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



join to sing the glad re - frain:  
thrill the trum - pet sound to hear:  
claim the king - dom as thine own.



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



lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!  
lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.  
Music: HELMSLEY, Thomas Olivers, 1725–1799

## Communion Hymn

### Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah



- 1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 3 Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
- 4 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra - el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.  
He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward.  
Lift your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King of glo - ry.  
He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: TIF IN VELDELE, Yiddish folk tune

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## Sending Hymn

### The King Shall Come



- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um-phunt 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. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

## *Prayer Requests: November 28, 2021*

✝ Prayers of healing for Teri Scott

**On-going Prayers:** Dave & Kristine Kraft—healing & well-being; Alice Hoaglund—strength & healing; Paul Badger—healing & strength (Ferriera); Matt—healing from breakthrough COVID-19 (Waggoner); Susan McCready—recovery, healing & well-being (Crawford); Norma Jaramillo—healing & well-being (Harris); Landon & Aaiyah Middleton—healing (Yearian/Nelson); Vince Porter—healing & well-being (Ixcot); Nancy Harvit—full recovery (Spinuzzi); Jack Smith—healing & well-being; Darcy Moreno—comfort, health & peace (Ashlock); Wes Trana—continued healing & well-being; Kathleen Reuter—continued healing and well-being; Prayers for healing & continued recovery for Officer Mike Rokaitis; Dahlia and China—health & well-being/new mothers (Virginia Robb); Brianna—recovery & well-being (Ixcot); Mercy Maya—healing & well-being (Maya); Lori & Ashlee Knoll—healing & well-being (Knoll); Bill Reinheimer—healing & well-being (Reinheimer); Stephanie—recovery (Watkins); Eza Haidari and family—safe exit from Afghanistan (Owen); Mike Clarke—a positive outcome for prostate cancer treatment (Clarke); Francine—support in her role as foster mother (Waggoner); Tatum—continued strength in her fight against leukemia (Waggoner); Arie Kroeze—continued healing; Jim & Patty Beyer—strength as they are managing Jim’s cancer treatments (Rowland); Glenna—health, recovery & treatment of stage-4 kidney cancer (Silva); Jeri Johnson and family—comfort and strength; Donna—healing (Watkins); Delaney—healing and strength (Epting); Yvonne Troedson—healing, health & well-being; Ian McKenzie—acceptance of mental illness (Schmidt); Keith Johnson—healing & well-being (Johnson); Pat Smith—healing, health & well-being; Jesus Ojeda—healing & well-being (Ojeda); Paula Kroeze—healing & well-being; Lois Silva and family—comfort and peace; William Teaney—healing; Sue Allen—healing & well-being; Laurie Spinuzzi—healing

### **Pray for the church, the world and all those in need:**

Doctors, nurses, technicians and all hospital personnel who care for patients & their needs.

For scientists, researchers, medical equipment manufacturers, corporations & employees who have stepped up to help during this crisis.

For those who are awaiting diagnostic tests results; for those already diagnosed with COVID-19 that healing will be complete.

For those who are dying and for those who grieve that they may be comforted with a sure and certain knowledge of Resurrection hope.

For all others who suffer from physical, emotional, mental or spiritual distress during this time we pray they may be sustained in love and grace.

For all this, and for whatever else you see that we need – we pray to you, O Lord. In Jesus’ name, Amen