

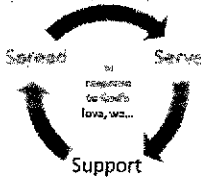
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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

+ Service of Holy Communion +

Divine Service, Setting Three (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – “Look out!” is about all we can yell as something unexpected is about to happen. The person we are warning has to be awake in order to respond. That's why Jesus tells His disciples, including us, to be awake and watchful for His return. He is our Lord and Master—our King! Advent is a gracious time of preparation for Jesus' coming, once in history, to us in Word and Sacrament today, and at the end of time. When our Lord returns, it will be to usher in the kingdom of God, which Isaiah says will be so peaceful they will “beat their swords into plowshares.” Before that day, preparing means leading loving lives, Paul tells us, for “salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.” Look out! The King comes!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“The Advent of Our King”

by George Brandon

WELCOME

[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[♫ Means please stand; ♪ Means please be seated]

♫ OPENING HYMN

The Advent of Our King

LSB 331



1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,
3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.
And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

(continued)

5. Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away,
The new self now put on.

6. All glory to the Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one
Through all eternity. Amen.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Matthew 24:42; Romans 13:11; Isaiah 2:4; Psalm 122:1

P *In the name of the Father and of the \ddagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C Amen.

P *Stay awake,*

C **for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.**

P *For salvation is nearer to us now*

C **than when we first believed.**

P *They shall beat their swords into plowshares,*

C **and their spears into pruning hooks.**

P *I was glad when they said to me,*

C **"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

[Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.]

P *O Almighty God, Merciful Father,*

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P *Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \ddagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C Amen.

GLORIA PATRI



C **Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;**

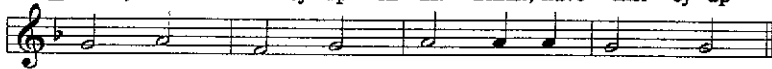


as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

KYRIE

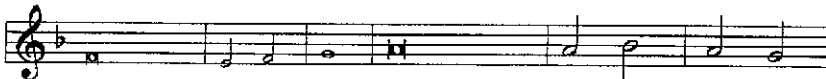


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

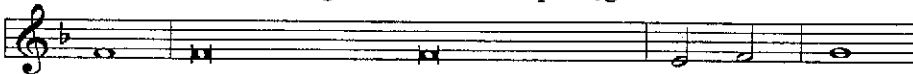


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

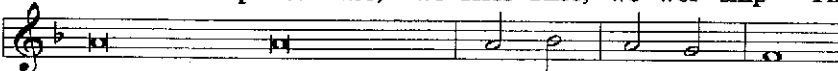
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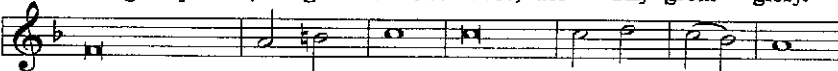
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



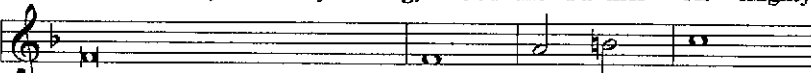
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



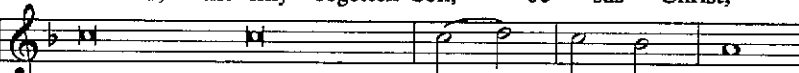
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



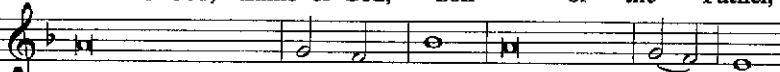
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



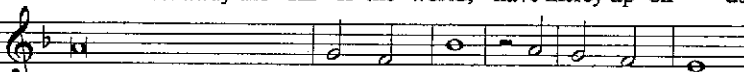
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



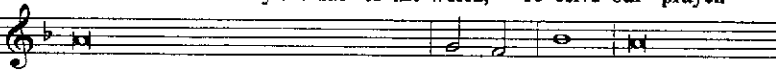
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



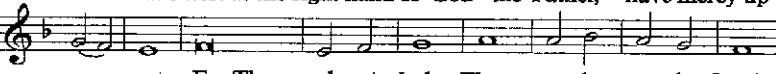
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



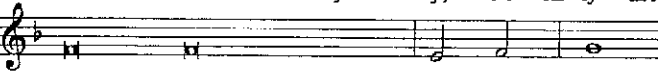
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



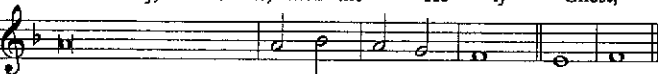
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*



C And with thy spir - it.

P *Let us pray.*

All: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

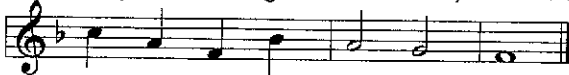


C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.*



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

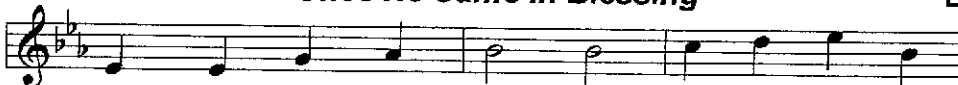
YOUTH MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

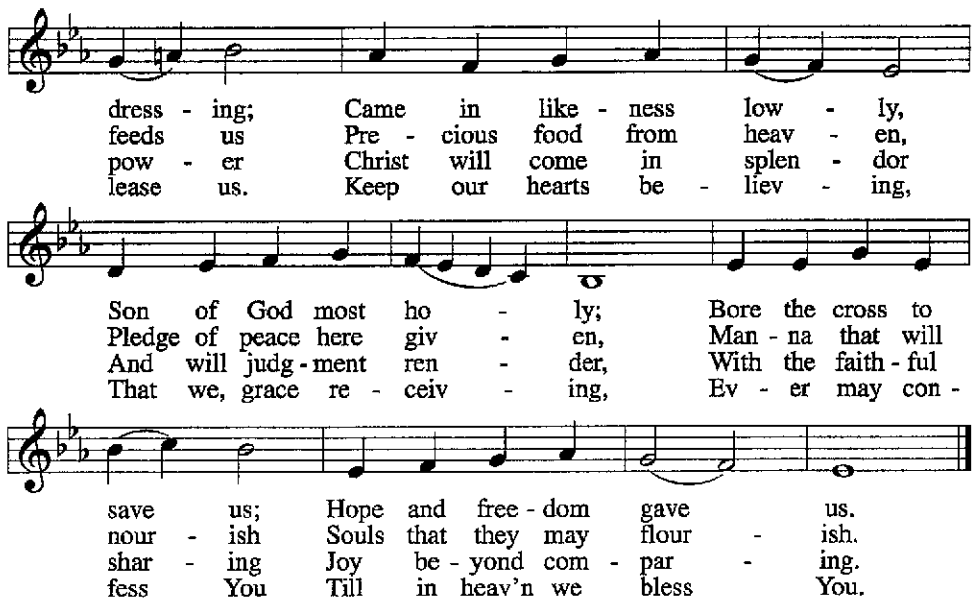
HYMN OF THE DAY

Once He Came in Blessing

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1	Once	He	came	in	bles -	ing,	All	our	sins	re -
2	Now	He	gent -	ly	leads	us;	With	Him -	self	He
3	Soon	will	come	that	hour		When	with	might -	y
4	Come,	then,	O	Lord	Je -	sus,	From	our	sins	re -



dress - ing; Came in like - ness low - ly,
feeds us Pre - cious food from heav - en,
pow - er Christ will come in splen - dor
lease us. Keep our hearts be - liev - ing,
Son of God most ho - ly; Bore the cross to
Pledge of peace here giv - en, Man - na that will
And will judg - ment ren - der, With the faith - ful
That we, grace re - ceiv - ing, Ev - er may con -
save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
nour - ish Souls that they may flour - ish.
shar - ing Joy be - yond com - par - ing.
fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

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SERMON

“YOUR KING IS COMING!”

Matthew 21:1-11

- I. As Jesus came as a king to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday,
- II. one day Jesus will return as our Eternal King.

♩ NICENE CREED

☐ I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made Man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

♩ OFFERING

“O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide”

by Friedrich Zipp

♩ OFFERTORY

Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



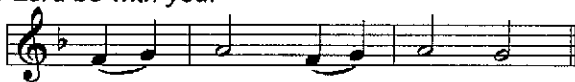
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** As we wait for our Lord's return, let us pray for all people in their various needs and for the Church, here and around the world. For any among us and all others who await freedom from the consequences of their past mistakes, from the injustices of their societies, and from their own worldly passions, that God would surround them with people of faith to apply the gracious news of God's forgiveness, love, and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Come, Thou precious Ransom, come, Only hope for sinful mortals!**
- P** For our communities and country and for all the nations of the world, wherever people await an end to discord with their neighbors and calm across their borders, that God would use people in positions of power to order society at home and work for peace among the nations, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Come, O Savior of the world! Open are to Thee all portals.**
- P** For people still waiting to hear and understand the Gospel, that God would inspire artists and craftspeople, musicians and poets to creatively carry the news of Christ's advent in history, His presence with us now, and His promised return, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Come, Thy beauty let us see; Anxiously we wait for Thee.**
- P** For people who cry out to God, awaiting relief from long-term ills or sudden crises of health, seeking an end to unemployment and financial woes, or not knowing where to turn for help, [including . . .], let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Hail! Hosanna, David's Son! Jesus, hear our supplication!**
- P** For the Church here and around the world, led by clergy and lay members, waiting for every opportunity to grow in faith, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown, Bring us blessing and salvation.**
- P** For ourselves and everyone who eagerly await the return of our Savior, whose kingdom shall never end, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **That forever we may sing: Hail! Hosanna to our King.**
- P** Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

PREFACE

P *The Lord be with you.*



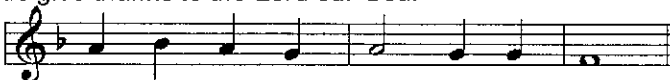
C *And with thy spir - it.*

P *Lift up your hearts.*



C *We lift them up un - to the Lord.*

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



C *It is meet and right so to do.*

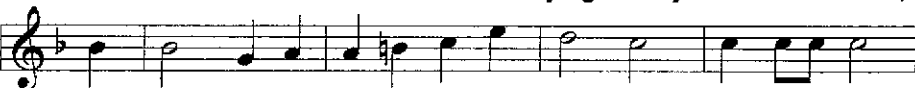
P *It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:*



C *Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;*



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

P *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

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
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

P *Let us share this peace with one another.*

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

[Remain standing]

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

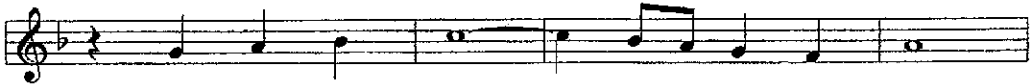
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

1. The	in - fant	Priest	_____	was	ho - ly	born
2. This	great	Priest	_____	in	hu - man	flesh
3. The	ho - ly	Lamb	_____	un -	daunt - ed	came
4. But	death	would	not	the	vic - tor	be
5. The	veil	is	torn.	our	Priest	we see,



For us un - ho - ly and for - lorn;
 Was i - con of God's righ - teous - ness.
 To God's own al - tar lit with flame;
 Of Him who hung up on the tree,
 As at the rail on bend - ed knee



From flesh - ly tem - ple forth came He,
 His hal - lowed touch brought sanc - ti - ty;
 While weep - ing an - gels hid their eyes,
 He leads us to the Ho - ly Place
 Our hun - gry mouths from Him re - ceive



A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.
 His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
 This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
 With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.
 The bread of im - mor - tal - i - ty.

Wake, Awake, For Night Is Flying

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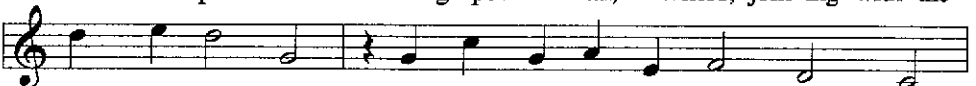
1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing," The watch - men on the
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing, And all her heart with
 3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore Thee, Let saints and an - gels



heights are cry - ing; "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"
 joy is spring - ing; She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
 sing be - fore Thee With harp and cym - bals' clear - est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing
 For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in
 Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, Where, join - ing with the

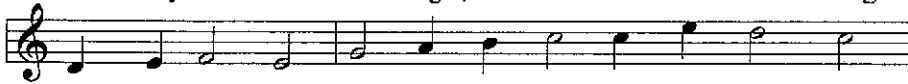


cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?
 truth vic - to - rious; Her star is ris'n, her light is come.
 choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.

(continued)



The Bride-groom comes, a-wake! Your lamps with glad-ness take!
 Now come, Thou Bless-ed One, Lord Je-sus, God's own Son,
 No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might



Al-le-lu-ia! With brid-al care Your-selves pre-pare
 Hail! Ho-san-na! We en-ter all The wed-ding hall
 Of Thy glo-ry; There-fore will we E-ter-nal-ly

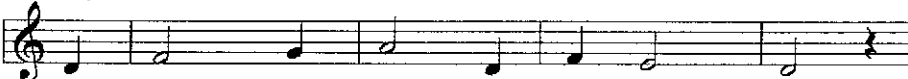


To meet the Bride-groom, who is near."
 To eat the Sup-per at Thy call.
 Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

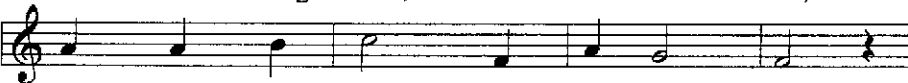
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O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide

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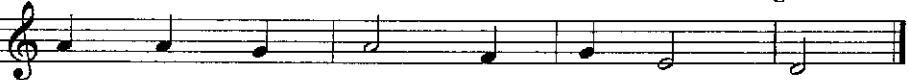
1 O Sav-ior, rend the heav-ens wide;
 2 O Fa-ther, light from heav-en send;
 3 O earth, in flow'r-ing bud be seen;
 4 O Fount of hope, how long, how long?
 5 O Morn-ing Star, O ra-diant Sun,



Come down, come down with might-y stride;
 As morn-ing dew, O Son, de-scend.
 Clothe hill and dale in garb of green.
 When will You come with com-fort strong?
 When will our hearts be-hold Your dawn?



Un-lock the gates, the doors break down;
 Drop down, you clouds, the life of spring:
 Bring forth, O earth, a blos-som rare,
 O come, O come, Your throne fore-go;
 O Sun, a-rise; with-out Your light



Un-bar the way to heav-en's crown.
 To Ja-cob's line rain down the King.
 Our Sav-ior, sprung from mead-ow fair.
 Con-sole us in our vale of woe.
 We grope in gloom and dark of night.

(continued)

6. Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies;
 Grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
 O come, lead us with mighty hand
 From exile to our promised land.

7. There shall we all our praises bring
 And sing to You, our Savior King;
 There shall we laud You and adore
 Forever and forevermore.

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¶ NUNC DIMITTIS

Song of Simeon

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

¶ O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

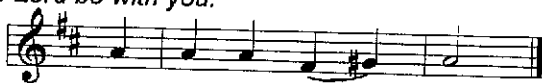
¶ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

¶ O Almighty God, You have promised that as often as we pray, You will hear and answer us according to Your gracious will. Teach us to be persistent in prayer, to live in confident faith before You, and to rest our lives and our hope in Your everlasting promises; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, with whom You and the Holy Spirit live and reign, One God, both now and forevermore.

¶ A - men. 11

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

P *The Lord be with you.*



G And with thy spir - it.

P *Bless we the Lord.*

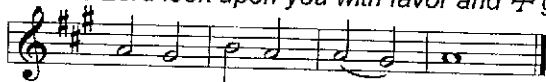


G Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you His peace.*

Numbers 6:24-26

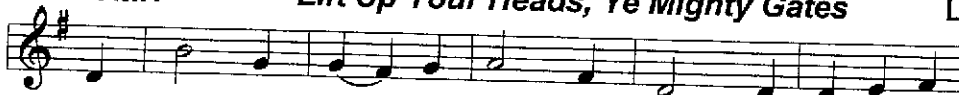


G A-men, a-men, a - men.

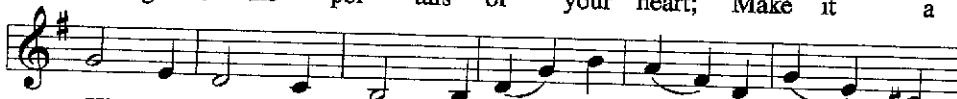
CLOSING HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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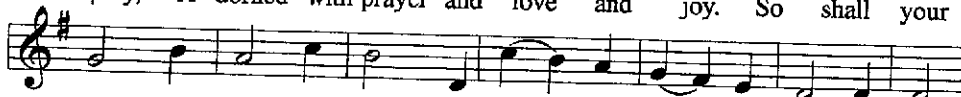
1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be - hold, the
2 A righ - teous Help - er comes to thee; His char - iot
3 How blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the
4 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a



King of glo - ry waits. The King of kings is draw - ing
is hu - mil - i - ty, His king - ly crown is ho - li -
rul - er is con - fessed! O peace - ful hearts and hap - py
tem - ple set a - part From earth - ly use for heav'n's em -



near; The Sav - ior of the world is here. Life and sal -
ness, His scep - ter, pit - y in dis - tress. The end of
homes To whom this King in tri - umph comes! The cloud - less
ploy, A - dorned with prayer and love and joy. So shall your



va - tion He doth bring; There - fore re - joice and glad - ly sing.
all our woe He brings; There - fore the earth is glad and sings.
sun of joy is He Who comes to set His peo - ple free.
Sov - reign en - ter in And new and no - bler life be - gin.



To God the Fa - ther raise Your joy - ful songs of praise.
 To Christ the Sav - ior raise Your grate - ful hymns of praise.
 To God the Spir - it raise Your hap - py shouts of praise.
 To God a - lone be praise For word and deed and grace!

5. Redeemer, come and open wide
 My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
 O enter with Thy grace divine;
 Thy face of mercy on me shine.
 Thy Holy Spirit guide us on
 Until our glorious goal is won.
 Eternal praise and fame
 We offer to Thy name.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthdays: Karissa Grimberg]

POSTLUDE "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" by Johann Gottfried Walther

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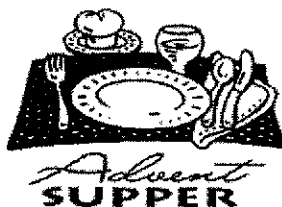
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THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE
KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 am

December 8: "God's Yes"; Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler; Speaker

Loved and Sent Series: "If we say that God's purpose is simply to take our souls to heaven when we die, we might miss God's bigger 'yes'... God's 'yes' to putting bodies and souls back together again in the resurrection; God's 'yes' to creation as He intended it to be." (Romans 8:18-39)



ADVENT POTLUCKS & WORSHIP:

Meals begin at 6 PM; Worship at 7 PM

- Dec. 4 – Mexican dishes of your choice
- Dec. 11 – Italian Foods
- Dec. 18 – Soup & Salads

There are sign-up sheets located on the bulletin board in the hallway to sign up for each evening. Won't you join us as we prepare for the coming of the Christ Child during this special season?