

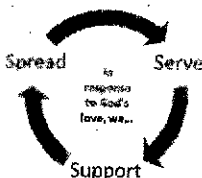
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*In response to God's love for us, we SERVE God,  
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## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Order of Worship -9:00 AM

+ Service of Holy Communion +

Divine Service, Setting Four (LSB)

**AS WE GATHER** – *It is hard to think of Jesus as a baby, born of Mary, but even harder to think of Jesus growing up as children do. Our Lord grew and became strong not only in body as a man but in wisdom and the favor of His heavenly Father who sent Him. He is a pattern of our own call to grow up into Christ, our Head, leaving behind the childish ways of unbelief and rebellion, and learning the path of faith and obedience from Him. We hear today a call to grow up into Christ and to live as His holy, beloved, and righteous brothers and sisters, loving the Lord's Word and His house as did Jesus!*

## PRESERVICE MUSIC

*"Once in Royal David's City"*

by Jeffrey Blersch

## WELCOME

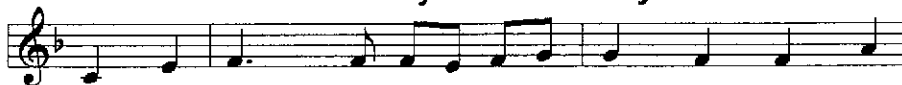
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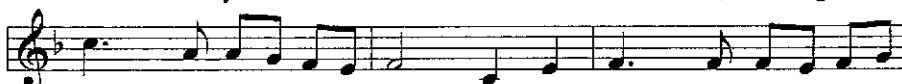
## ♩ OPENING HYMN

*Once in Royal David's City*

LSB 376



1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a  
2 He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is  
3 For He is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by  
4 And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His



low - ly cat - tle shed, Where a moth - er laid her  
God and Lord of all, And His shel - ter was a  
day like us He grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and  
own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and



ba - by In a man - ger for His bed; Mar - y  
sta - ble, And His cra - dle was a stall; With the  
help - less, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He  
gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove; And He



was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
poor and mean and low - ly Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
feels for all our sad - ness, And He shares in all our glad - ness.  
leads His chil - dren on To the place where He is gone.

5. Not in that poor, lowly stable  
With the oxen standing by  
Shall we see Him, but in heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high.  
Then like stars His children, crowned,  
All in white, His praise will sound!

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## INVOCATION

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** **Amen.**

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** *If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?*  
**C** **But, with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**  
**P** *Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.*  
**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**  
**P** *Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** **Amen.**

## INTROIT

Ps. 147:1, 5, 11-12; antiphon: John 1:14

- P** *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,*  
**C** **glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.**  
**P** *Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;*  
**C** **for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**  
**P** *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;*  
**C** **his understanding is beyond measure.**  
**P** *But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,*  
**C** **in those who hope in his steadfast love.**  
**P** *Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!*  
**C** **Praise your God, O Zion!**

**All:** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

- P** *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory,*  
**C** **glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

## KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

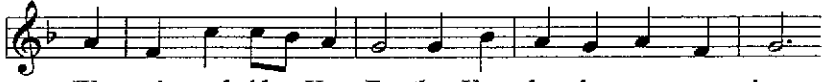
### *Glory to God in the Highest*



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
 Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** *The Lord be with you.* **C** **And also with you.**  
**P** *Let us pray.*

**All:** Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*1 Kings 3:4–15*

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- A** *This is the Word of the Lord.* **C** **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE LESSON

*Ephesians 1:3–14*

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- A** *This is the Word of the Lord.* **C** **Thanks be to God.**

## ♩ ALLELUIA



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

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

## ♩ HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:40-52

**P** *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.*

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

**P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

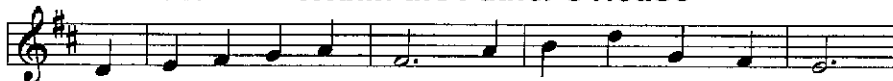
**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## ♩ YOUTH MESSAGE

*[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]*

## HYMN OF THE DAY *Within the Father's House*

LSB 410



- 1 With - in the Fa - ther's house The Son has found His home,
- 2 The doc - tors of the Law Gaze on the won - drous child
- 3 Yet not to them is giv'n The might - y truth to know,
- 4 The se - cret of the Lord Es - capes each hu - man eye,



And to His tem - ple sud - den - ly The Lord of life has come.  
And mar - vel at His gra - cious words Of wis - dom un - de - filed.  
To lift the earth - ly veil that hides In - car - nate God be - low.  
And faith - ful pon - d'ring hearts a - wait The full e - piph - a - ny.

5. Lord, visit Thou our souls  
And teach us by Thy grace  
Each dim revealing of Thyself  
With loving awe to trace

6. Till we behold Thy face  
And know as we are known  
Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Coequal Three in One. Amen.

## SERMON

### "THE GOOD KING'S WISDOM"

1 Kings 3:4-15

- I. King Solomon was wise, but still acted foolish.
- II. Today, we see that the wisdom of Jesus, the Word made flesh, is greater than the wisdom of the world.

## NICENE CREED

- C** 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 Sing of Christ”*

by Kevin Hildebrand

## OFFERTORY

*As With Gladness Men of Old*

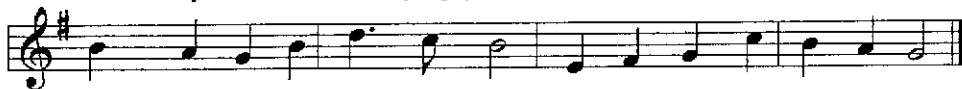
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3 As they of - fered gifts most rare At Thy cra - dle, rude and bare,



So may we with ho - ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al - loy,



All our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.

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## INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL & CONGREGATION OFFICERS

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Merciful Father, You did not abandon Your people when they rebelled against You but delivered up Your Law and the Prophets that we might know of Your saving will and purpose. Give us Your Holy Spirit that we trust in Christ our Savior, who was obedient even to death on a cross, and walk in His ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Merciful Father, as Your Son loved Your temple, so may we love Your house, where Your Word is proclaimed and Your Holy Sacraments administered. Receive our thanks for those who serve us in Your name and bless those who preach and teach Your Word to us, that what we hear in our ears we keep in holy hearts and blameless lives. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Merciful Father, make us to love what You desire and to hate evil. Open our hearts to those in any need of body or spirit, and give us a generous heart that we supply what is lacking to*

those in poverty and bring to You the tithes and offerings of a faithful and grateful people.  
Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

**P** Merciful Father, teach us to love one another as You have loved us, that our homes be places of blessing and love. Give patience to parents and forgiving hearts to their children, that together we strive for all that is good, right, true, and holy in all our relationships. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

**P** Merciful Father, the needs of Your people are never far from Your heart. Give to the sick healing, to the suffering relief, to the troubled peace, to the grieving comfort, and to the dying hope of life everlasting through Jesus Christ, [especially . . .]. According to Your mercy grant to them all that is needful and deliver them from all that is harmful. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Merciful Father, give us faith in Your promises so that we who receive the Lord's body and blood today be found well-prepared and worthy to receive this blessed gift and build in our hearts the hunger for the everlasting Meal to come, in the marriage supper of the Lamb without end. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. **C** Amen.

## PREFACE

**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 Him thanks and praise.

**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; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



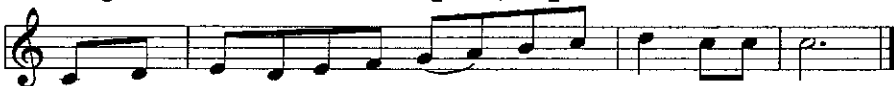
**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** *You are indeed holy, O Lord, and holy is Your name. When we rebelled against Your will and were delivered over to sin and its death, You did not abandon those whom You had made but gave us Your Law and Prophets to point us to Him who was to come. When, in the fullness of time, our Lord was delivered of Mary, the blessed Virgin, He was obedient to Your will and made us Your holy people, cleansed by His blood and redeemed by His saving death upon the cross. Grant us to grow in Christ and in His righteousness, that we delight in Your Law and do what is pleasing in Your sight, until that day when His redemptive work is brought to full fruition and we are delivered into Your presence forevermore. At His word and invitation we come, O Lord, as Your own baptized people to receive according to His promise the blessed covenant and grace of His body in this bread and His blood in this cup. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has 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.**

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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*

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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 Only Son from Heaven***

LSB 402



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, Fore - told by an - cient seers,  
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!  
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en To know and love You more,  
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore You With God the Ho - ly Ghost



By God the Fa - ther giv - en, In hu - man form ap - pears.  
 He comes, the king a - noint - ed, The Christ, the vir - gin - born,  
 In faith to stand un - shak - en, In spir - it to a - dore,  
 And Je - sus, we a - dore You, O pride of an - gel host:



No sphere His light con - fin - ing, No star so bright - ly  
 Grim death to van - quish for us, To o - pen heav'n be -  
 That we, through this world mov - ing, Each glimpse of heav - en  
 Be - fore You mor - tals low - ly Cry, "Ho - ly, ho - ly,



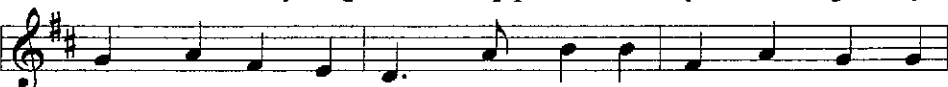
shin - ing As He, our Morn - ing Star.  
 fore us And bring us life a - gain.  
 prov - ing, May reap its full - ness there.  
 ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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***The Star Proclaims the King Is Here***



1 The star pro - claims the King is here; But, Her - od,  
 2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far And fol - lowed  
 3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood The heav'n - ly  
 4 And oh, what mir - a - cle di - vine, When wa - ter  
 5 For this Thy glad e - piph - a - ny All glo - ry,



why this sense - less fear? For He who of - fers heav'n - ly  
 on His guid - ing star; And, led by light, to light they  
 Lamb in meek - ness stood That He, of whom no sin was  
 red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and forth it  
 Je - sus, be to Thee, Whom with the Fa - ther we a -





birth Seeks not the king - doms of this earth.  
 trod And by their gifts con - fessed their God.  
 known, Might cleanse His peo - ple from their own.  
 flowed In streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.  
 dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

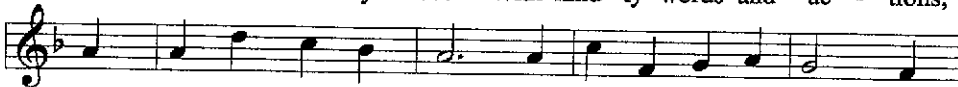
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## O God, My Faithful God

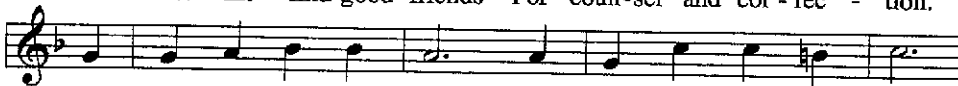
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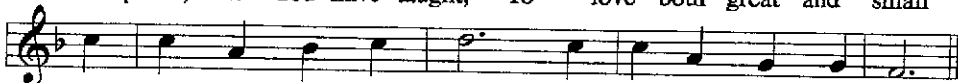
1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun - tain ev - er flow - ing,  
 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing,  
 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;  
 4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing;  
 What - ev - er You com - mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;  
 Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;  
 And let me find good friends For coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in  
 That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless  
 But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
 Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con - science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.  
 The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.  
 Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.  
 And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

5. Let me depart this life  
 Confiding in my Savior;  
 By grace receive my soul  
 That it may live forever;  
 And let my body have  
 A quiet resting place  
 Within a Christian grave;  
 And let it sleep in peace.

6. And on that final day  
 When all the dead are waking,  
 Stretch out Your mighty hand,  
 My deathly slumber breaking.  
 Then let me hear Your voice,  
 Redeem this earthly frame,  
 And bid me to rejoice  
 With those who love Your name.

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# ¶ NUNC DIMITTIS

## Song of Simeon

**1** O Lord, now let to Your ser - vant De -  
**2** All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**¶** Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**☩** Amen.

### BENEDICTION

**¶** 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.

**☩** Amen.



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus  
 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in  
 3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their  
 4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and  
 5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly  
 hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him  
 chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care or  
 joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is  
 prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



His— How sad and poor and dark it is!  
 still And do in all His ho - ly will!  
 cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!  
 shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.  
 Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthday: **Bob Sees**]

POSTLUDE

“Joy”

by Steven Scott

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

January 12: “**People Are Treasure**”; Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler; Speaker

New Series – “Words create a picture of life, life as it really is, life as it could be. And so, if you want God to be your Treasure, you need a vision of life with God. I want a vision of life with God because I want God to be my Treasure, even as I know that, in Jesus, I am His. (Genesis 39)