

2024

“Worship the God of Wonders”



WELCOME TO WORSHIP
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to hear and join in today’s Worship service

It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; His dominion endures from generation to generation..

Daniel 4:2,3

Call Statement:

“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”

Mission Statement:

“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”

WELCOME AND PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER: CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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ADVENT LITANY AND CANDLE LIGHTING (based on Gen. 1:1 -5)

Leader: In the beginning God

All: created the heavens and the earth,

Leader: the earth was a formless void

All: and darkness covered the face of the deep.

Leader: the Spirit of God was moving

All: over the face of the waters.

Leader: Then God said, "Let there be light."

All: And there was light.

Leader: And God saw that the light was good.

All: God separated the light from the darkness.

Leader: God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.

All: And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Leader: Like the dawn of a new day,

All: the coming light of Christ brings Peace.

(Light candle of Peace)

Leader: As light from the candle of Peace dispels the darkness

All: Peace fills our souls!

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you (*Greet each other sharing Christ's peace.*)

On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry

Verse 1

On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry
Announces that the LORD is nigh;
Awake and hearken, for he brings
Glad tiding of the King of kings!

Verse 2

Then cleansed be ev 'ry life from sin;
Make straight the way for God within,
And let us all our hearts prepare
For Christ to come and enter there.

Verse 3

We hail You as our Savior, LORD,
Our refuge and our great reward;
With-out Your grace we waste away
Like flow'rs that wither and decay.

Verse 4

Stretch forth Your hand, our health restore,
And make us rise to fall no more;
Oh, let Your face upon us shine
and fill the world with love divine.

Verse 5

All praise to You, Eternal Son,
Whose Advent has our freedom won,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Spirit evermore.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Lord God, Heavenly Father

All: We give thanks that in Your great mercy and compassion You sent Your dear Son to become

incarnate and through Him redeemed us from sin and eternal death. Enlighten our hearts by Your Holy Spirit that we may always be thankful for such grace and be comforted in all trouble and temptation, and at last, obtain eternal salvation; through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One true God, now and forever. Amen. Veit Dietrich - reformation theologian

LESSON

Malachi 3:1-7a

GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-20

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

One Is Coming

HYMN

LBW #29

Comfort, Comfort Now My People

Words are in the Green Lutheran Book of Worship and on the Screen

NICENE CREED (in unison)

We believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, Of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, The only Son of God, Eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, Begotten, not made, Of one Being with the Father, Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; By the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again In accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, And His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer...

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

All: Amen.

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**All: 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 DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

All: Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

All: We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

SONG

I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day

Verse 1

I heard the bells on Christmas day.
Their old familiar carols play.
And mild and sweet their songs repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Chorus 1

And the bells are ringing, (peace on earth)
Like a choir they're singing. (peace on earth)
In my heart I hear them.
"Peace on earth Good will to men"

Verse 2

And in despair I bowed my head.
"There is no peace on earth" I said.
"For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on earth good will to men."

Chorus 2

But the bells are ringing. (peace on earth)
Like a choir singing, (peace on earth)
Does anybody hear them?
"Peace on earth Good will to men"

Bridge

Then rang the bells more loud and deep,
"God is not dead nor does He sleep."
(Peace on earth, peace on earth)
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail
With peace on earth, good will to men!

Verse 3

Then ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day.
A voice,, a chime, a chant sublime
"Of peace on earth, good will to men,"

Chorus 3

And the bells, they're ringing, (peace on earth)
Like a choir they're singing, (peace on earth)
And with our hearts we'll hear them.
"Peace on earth Good will to men"

Chorus 4

Do you hear the bells, they're ringing?
The life the angels singing.
Open up your heart and hear them.
"Peace on earth good will to men"

Ending

"Peace on earth. Peace on earth.
Peace on earth, good will to men."

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

NEXT SUNDAY December 15, 2024

Third Sunday of Advent

Readings for Next Sunday

Zephaniah 3:14-20 Psalm 85 Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 7:18-28 (29-35)

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Fellowship Hall with coffee and cookies
to enjoy together.

