



Church of the Savior

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God's work. Our hands.

PRELUDE: Wake Awake for the Night is Flying

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the parent who rouses us from slumber, the shepherd who gathers us on the holy mountain, the deliverer who sets us free. **Amen.**

Let us come before the living God in confession.

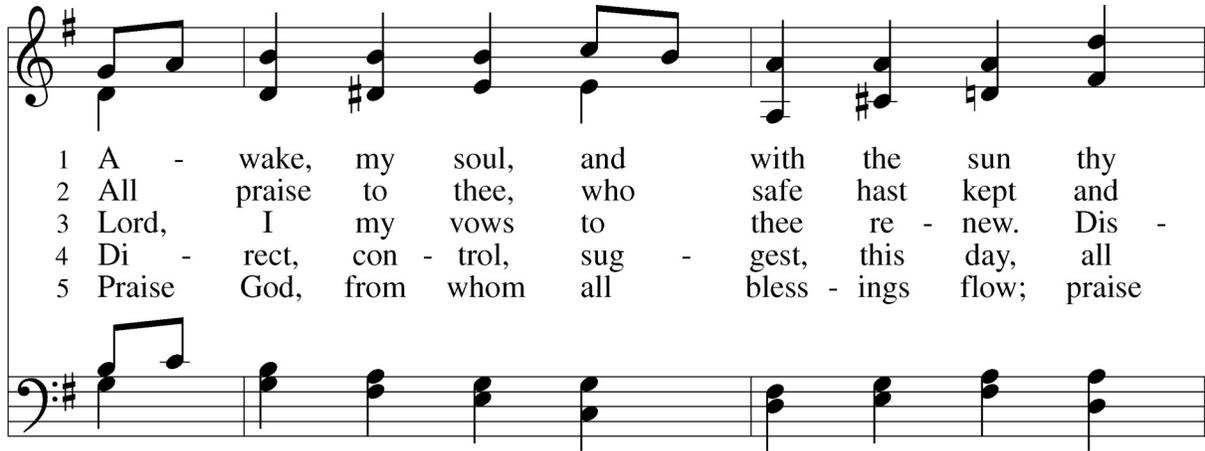
Silence is kept for reflection.

As we wait and watch for the promised day of salvation,
we open our hearts to you, O God. Search us and know us. Reveal all that we keep inside. To you, O God, we confess our sins, known and unknown. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us in your ways of justice and peace. Make us reflections of the radiant love of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

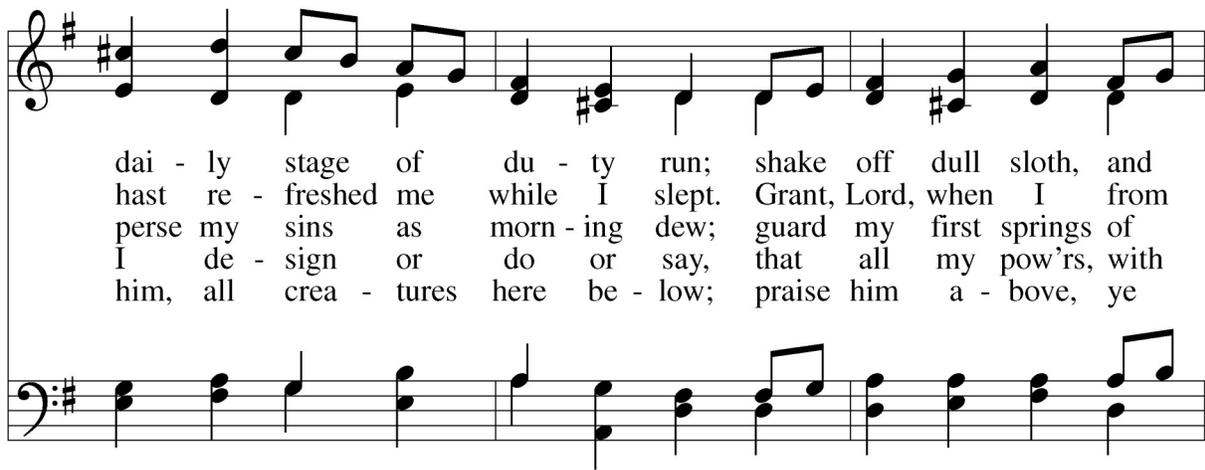
Beloved children of the Most High, you are gathered before the righteous judge who has mercy on all. Splash exuberantly in the waters of baptism, where sin is washed away in the river of life. Dwell peacefully in the loving arms of the one who nurtures all creation. Go forth boldly in the assurance that your sins are forgiven in the name of the one who is coming and is already here, † Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**



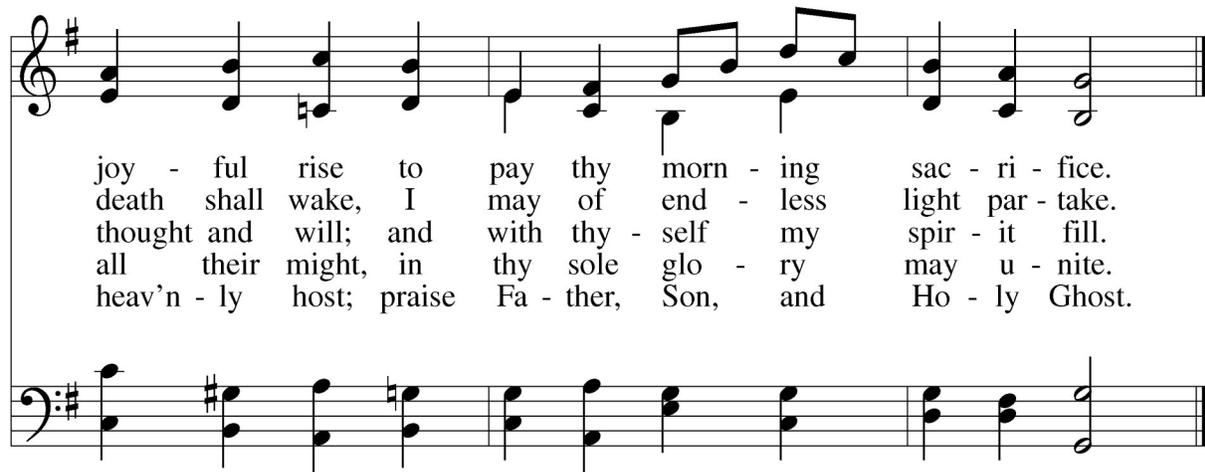
PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun thy
2 All praise to thee, who safe hast kept and
3 Lord, I my vows to thee re - new. Dis -
4 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all
5 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



dai - ly stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and
hast re - freshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from
perse my sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs of
I de - sign or do or say, that all my pow'rs, with
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye



joy - ful rise to pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.
thought and will; and with thy - self my spir - it fill.
all their might, in thy sole glo - ry may u - nite.
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711
Music: MORNING HYMN, François H. Barthélémon, 1741-1808



THE KYRIE

F

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Dm

B Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Bb C F

B Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

F

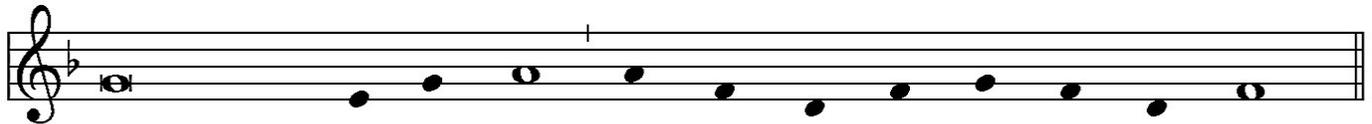
let us pray to the Lord. **B** Lord, have mer - cy.

Dm G7 C

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **B** A - men



THE GLORIA



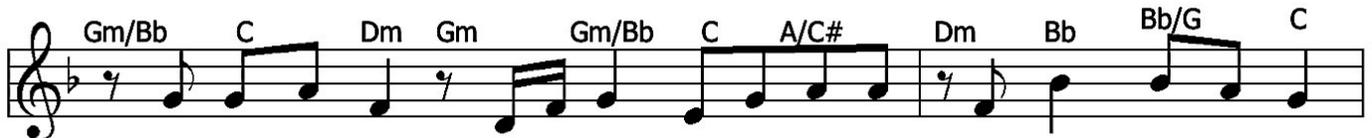
A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



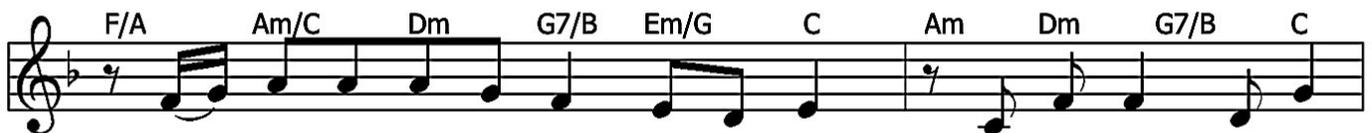
B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Word of God, Word of Life

People: Thanks Be to God

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

¹Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son;

²**that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice;**

³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

⁴**Let him defend the needy among the people, rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**

⁵May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.

⁶**Let him come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.**

⁷In his time may the righteous flourish;

and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

¹⁸**Blessed are you, LORD God, the God of Israel; you alone do wondrous deeds!**

¹⁹And blessed be your glorious name forever,

and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.

SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”;

¹⁰and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

¹¹and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”;

¹²and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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People: 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. Al - le - lu - ia.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord

Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord *(Processional)*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord" in a processional style. It consists of two staves of music in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and repetitive, with a long note on "Pre" followed by a dotted quarter note on "pare", and then quarter notes for "ye", "the", "way", "of", "the", and "Lord.". The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Bb, Cm/Bb, Bb, F on the first staff, and Bb, Cm/Bb, Bb/F, F, Bb on the second staff.



SERMON: Pastor Paul Miller

APOSTLES' 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.

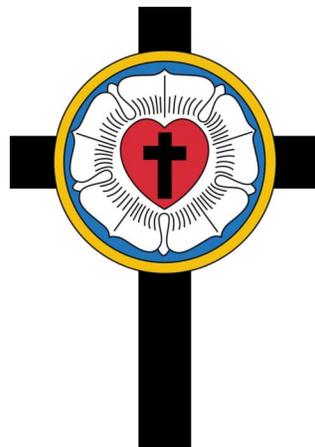
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Response: **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC: I Wonder As I Wander (David Kline)

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C Am Em Bb/F Dm

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our

G C Em Am

cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the

Bb Dm G Dm F/G G C

seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Em Am Em Amaj D G Amaj

Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

D Am D G Am Em

prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your

Bb/F Dm G C Em F C/G Bm Emaj

pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.



Pastor: Eternal God, you make the desert bloom and send springs of water to thirsty ground. Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money, and make us messengers of your mercy and love for all in need of your healing and justice. We ask this through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**



GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

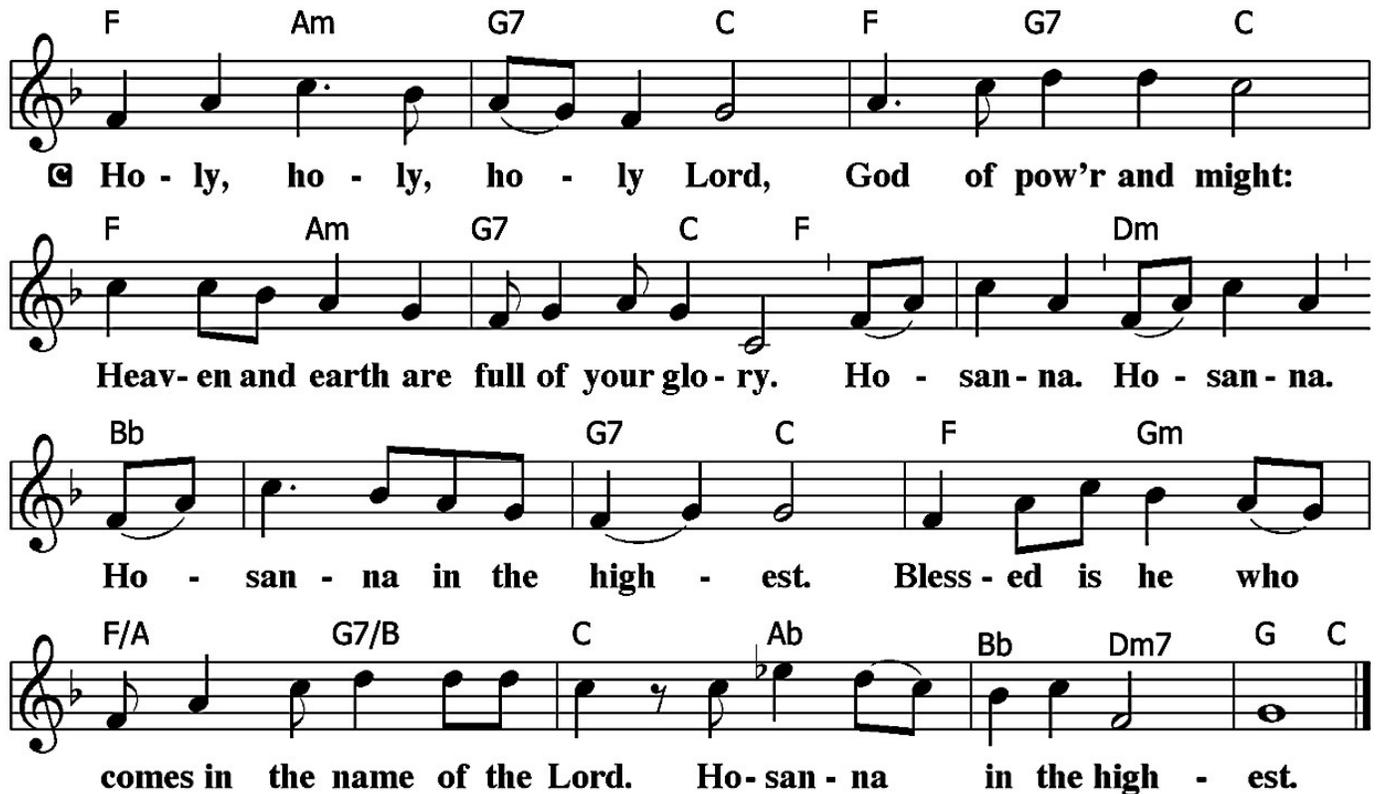
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

PREFACE FOR THE SEASON

It is indeed right, salutary, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



F Am G7 C F G7 C
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

F Am G7 C F Dm
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Bb G7 C F Gm
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

F/A G7/B C Ab Bb Dm7 G C
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

...proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

At conclusion of Eucharistic Prayer

People: Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

F Bb G7 C

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

Dm G C F Bb G7

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

C Dm G C F Am Bb

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

Eb Ab Bb Dm G7 C

sin of the world; grant us peace.

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COMMUNION HYMN: One Bread, One Body

G C G/B G C D G Em Am/C
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
G/D Em F D G C G/B G
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
C D Em G Am G/B C D7 G
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ Strengthen you and Keep you in His Grace! **Amen.**

F C C7 A7/C# Dm Bb C A7
Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has
Dm F C C7 A7/C# Dm F/C Bb C Bb F
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Dm A7 Dm G7 C Bb C
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in
A7 Dm Bb C Am D7 Bb C Bb C F
joy with shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.



SENDING

Faithful God, in this meal you have remembered your mercy, bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ. As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled, sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus, and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit, ✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**


*Go Now
in Peace*




RECESSIONAL HYMN: We Are Waiting for Jesus

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music with lyrics underneath. The first system has two vocal parts. The second system has two vocal parts. The third system has two vocal parts. The fourth system has two vocal parts. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Em, D/E, Em, D/E, Em in the first system; Em, D/E, C, G in the second; Am, G, C, Bm in the third; C, D, Em, D/E, 1.Em, 2.EM in the fourth.

1 We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.
2 We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.

We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.
We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.

Sun of jus - tice, shine up - on us; we are trust - ing in your prom - ise.
Lov - ing Shep - herd, walk be - side us; stir our hearts, and gent - ly guide us.

We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.
We are wait - ing for Je - sus; Je - sus brings peace.

Text: John Helgen, b. 1957
Music: JESUS BRINGS PEACE, John Helgen
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is near.

Thanks be to God.



SERVING TODAY

DATE	LECTORS	WORSHIP ASST.	USHERS
Dec 4	Susan Conrad	Sally Leara	Ed Moderacki
Dec 11	Dave Johnsrud	Dennis McFarland	Rick Henly
Dec 18	Wendy McFarland	Susan Conrad	Antoinette Walder

FLOWERS

Dec 4	For: Robert's Birthday From: Kelly Reese
Dec 11	For: Jakes's 25th Birthday From: The Leara's
Dec 18	For: Rudolph William Heydt, III From: Brenda Heydt

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