

Advent Worship
November 30, 2022
4:30 & 7:00 pm
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Seymour, IN

MIDWEEK ADVENT 1

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Welcome to Worship! In the four-week journey of Advent toward the birth of Jesus on Christmas, we will look each week at the gifts the coming of Jesus brings to us. Using the song Mary sang when she learned that she would be the mother of the Savior, today we see some of the great things He has done for us!

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THE PRELUDE: 4:30 "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

7:00 "Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel" - Marilyn Biery

THE HYMN: "The Advent of Our King"

Hymn 331

- 1 The advent of our King Our prayers must now employ, And we must hymns of welcome sing In strains of holy joy.
- 2 The everlasting Son Incarnate deigns to be, Himself a servant's form puts on To set His servants free.
- 3 O Zion's daughter, rise To meet your lowly King, Nor let your faithless heart despise The peace He comes to bring.
- 4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come again And His true members all unite With Him in heav'n to reign.
- 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.

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- L O Lord, open my lips,
- C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- C make haste to help me, O Lord
- C 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. Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: 2 Samuel 7:18-26

Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said, "Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord GOD. You have spoken also of your servant's house for a great while to come, and this is instruction for mankind, O Lord GoD! And what more can David say to you? For you know your servant, O Lord GOD! Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have brought about all this greatness, to make your servant know it. Therefore you are great, O LORD God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. And who is like your people Israel, the one nation on earth whom God went to redeem to be his people, making himself a name and doing for them great and awesome things by driving out before your people, whom you redeemed for yourself from Egypt, a nation and its gods? And you established for yourself your people Israel to be your people forever. And you, O LORD, became their God. And now, O LORD God, confirm forever the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house, and do as you have spoken. And your name will be magnified forever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts is God over Israel,' and the house of your servant David will be established before you.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God!

+++ 4:30 THE ANTHEM: "Light One Candle"

THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:46-50

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us. C: Thanks be to God.

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- L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- L In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

THE HYMN: "Hark the Glad Sound"

Hymn 349

- 1 Hark the glad sound! The Savior comes, The Savior promised long; Let ev'ry heart prepare a throne And ev'ry voice a song.
- 2 He comes the pris'ners to release, In Satan's bondage held. The gates of brass before Him burst, The iron fetters yield.
- 3 He comes the broken heart to bind, The bleeding soul to cure, And with the treasures of His grace To enrich the humble poor.
- 4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, Thy welcome shall proclaim, And heav'n's eternal arches ring With Thy beloved name.

THE SERMON: "He Has Done Great Things"

THE CANTICLE: "My Soul Rejoices"

Hymn 933

- 1 My soul rejoices, My spirit voices—Sing the greatness of the Lord! For God my Savior Has shown me favor—Sing the greatness of the Lord! With praise and blessing, Join in confessing God, who is solelyMighty and holy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord! His mercy surely Shall rest securely On all who fear Him, Love and revere Him—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!
- 2 His arm now baring, His strength declaring—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
 The proud He scatters, Their rule He shatters—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
 Oppression halted; The meek exalted. Full are the hungry; Empty, the wealthy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!
 Here is the token All that was spoken To Abr'ham's offspring God is fulfilling—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!

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C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 INTRODUCTION TO COLLECTS

L O Lord, hear my prayer.

C And let my cry come to You.

THE BENDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- L The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.
- C Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: "The Day Thou Gavest"

Hymn 886

- 1 The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended, The darkness falls at Thy behest; To Thee our morning hymns ascended, Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
- 2 We thank Thee that Thy Church, unsleeping While earth rolls onward into light, Through all the world her watch is keeping, And never rests by day or night.
- 3 As o'er each continent and island The dawn leads on another day, The voice of prayer is never silent, Nor dies the strain of praise away.
- 4 The sun, that bids us rest, is waking Thy saints beneath the western skies, And hour by hour, as day is breaking, Fresh hymns of thankful praise arise.
- 5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall never, Like earth's proud empires, pass away; Thy kingdom stands and grows forever, Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

THE POSTLUDE: "Prepare the Royal Highway" -Paul Manz

Preacher: Pastor Ralph Blomenberg Lector: Pastor Philip E. Bloch
Liturgists: Vicar Case Farney, Pastor James A. Rodriguez, Jr., and Pastor Will Fredstrom
Organist: Mr. Paul Scheiderer

7th & 8th Grade Handbells & Children's Choir(4:30) Woodwinds(7:00)

Join us again next Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Free Advent Devotions are available for you at the exits to use at home.

Dinner tonight is served by the Fellowship of Lutheran Youth.

Christmas Food Baskets: In order to keep our members safe, the Board of Human Care will again be distributing gift cards for some less fortunate families to use to purchase food for Christmas. Drop off your donation at the church office. Thank you!

4:30 pm - Elders: Joe Bullard, Steve Bobb Audio: Jay Hubbard

7:00 pm - Elders: Carl Emily **Ushers:** Larry Stahl, Robert Allman, Randy 'Dude' Dittmer, Dennis Klinge, Karl Anderson **Counting:** BJ Sinclair, Ryan Sinclair, P.J. Stein, Chad Hageman, Gerry Sinclair, Eric Fish **Audio/Video:** Walter Batman, Kevin Foster

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