

1st Sunday of Advent

Contemporary Worship 8:30 and 11:00 am December 2, 2018





Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear---we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Gathering Space desk.

about today's service

Advent is about the "coming days." God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Our Lord's contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of our Lord in word and supper.

P: Pastor L: Lector C: Congregation

+ Gathering +

We gather to praise God and receive His love.

Song: "King of Kings"

Verse (3X)

King of kings and Lord of lords: Glory, hallelujah. King of kings and Lord of lords: Glory, hallelujah.

Jesus, Prince of Peace: Glory, hallelujah. Jesus, Prince of Peace: Glory, hallelujah. **Tag:** Jesus, Prince of Peace: Glory, hallelujah. Jesus, Prince of Peace: Glory, hallelujah.

Bv Naomi Batya and Sophie Conty Music: Hebrew traditional Text © 1980 Maranatha Praise, Inc.

Song: "With Our Hearts"

Chorus (2X)

With our hearts we believe, with our mouths we confess,

You are Lord, you are Lord.

From this day till the end we will sing it again, and again.

You are Lord, you are Lord.

Verse

By your power you've made us, by your grace we're redeemed; To walk in the truth that you give us, and minister life in your name.

Chorus

Verse

Chorus

Tag 2X: You are Lord.

Words and music by Don Harris. 1991 Integrity's Hosanna! Music.

Welcome

(Stand)

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Intro

Verse 1

Come Thou long expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free; From our hearts and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee.

Israel's Strength and Consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art;

Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Verse 2

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a Child and yet a King.

Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious Throne.

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Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: To you, O God,
- C: we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.
- P: Children of God, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of + Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.
- C: Amen.

Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

(8:30) Comegna Family (11:00) Maurer Family

Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Prayer

L: Lord Jesus, we do not lack any spiritual gift as we wait for your coming. Keep us awake and help us use our gifts to serve those who look for the dawn of your justice and mercy. Amen.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

+ Word +

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation: "Advent Acclamation"



Gospel Luke 21:25-36

God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Sermon: "Stir Up Our Hearts"

Pastor Jack Horner

Children's Story

(Stand)

Song: "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" Verse (2x)

Lord, Let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of Your Word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on Your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.
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Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 the Church

Each petition ends:

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: hear our prayer.

+ Meal +

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

(Sit)

Announcements

Offering and Worship Witness

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts

(8:30) Special Music: "Alleluia, He is Coming"

Verse 1 (2X)

I looked up and I saw my Lord a comin' I looked up and I saw my Lord a comin' As a child

Chorus 1

Emmanuel He is with us Alleluia He is here Emmanuel He is with us Alleluia He is here

Verse 2

I looked up and I saw my Lord a walkin' I looked up and I saw my Lord a walkin' towards me

Chorus 2

Alleluia my redeemer Alleluia He's arrived Alleluia my redeemer Alleluia He's arrived

Chorus 3

Emmanuel He walks with me Emmanuel He is here Emmanuel He walks with me Emmanuel He is here

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(11:00) **Special Music: "Light a Little Candle"** Junior Choir, with Kelly and Ella Falck

Joseph M Martin

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

P: Holy God, the Beginning and the End, our Salvation and our Hope, we praise you for creating a world of order and beauty. When we brought on chaos, cruelty and despair, you sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy. At this end of the ages your Son Jesus came to bring us your love and to heal all the suffering world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await his coming again in righteousness and peace.

Send your Spirit on us and on this bread and wine we share: strengthen our faith, increase our hope, and bring to birth the justice and joy of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

P: God fills the hungry with good things. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request-please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

"What Feast of Love

Verse 1

What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven? What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given? This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven. Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!

Verse 2

What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven? What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given? This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven. Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!

Verse 3

What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven? What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given? This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven. Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

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(Stand)

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

+ Sending +

We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

Blessing

P: May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Song: "Bethlehem Highway"

Chorus (2X)

There is hope on Bethlehem highway for the ones who will journey there. And the hope is the child in a manger bringing us love beyond compare.

Verse 1

It's a lifeline for the needy. It's sight to those who can't see.

It's a freedom for the faithful in a child of prophecy.

Chorus

Verse 2

Let the angels go before us. Let the darkness become light.

Now the Savior lives among us. Now the truth has come to life.

Chorus (2X)

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Join us next week

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Pastor Liz Frey
"Stir Up our Voices"

leaders

Presiding Minister: The Rev. John H. Brock

Preacher: The Rev. Jack M. Horner

Storyteller: Becky Enney

Lector: (8:30) Michelle Mellon; (11:00) Micki McCoy

Greeters: (8:30) Dave Maser (head greeter); (11:00) (head greeter), Darby and

Chris Burnell, Carleigh and Steph Morgan.

Communion Assistants: (8:30) Jack and Martha Nagle; (11:00) Laurie Kessler and

Amy Hempt

Ushers: (8:30) Brice and Kristi Arndt; (11:00) Tom and Linda Hoffert

Altar Care: (8:30) Kelly Rice; (11:00) Dennis and Julie Geib

Flower Delivery: Linda Tompson and Rita Townsend

Sound Technician: (8:30) James Roberts; (11:00) Mike Schwalm **Video Technician:** (8:30) Donna Norris; (11:00) Barb Martin

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worship notes

Attendance at our services last week was 729. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, in the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website. Our web address is: www.trinitycamphill.org.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of loved ones by Jess and Jackie Fosselman, Roger and Roberta Smith by the family, and in honor of the birthdays of Carol and Barbara Winfield by their loving children.

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

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