Stir Up Our Voices

2nd Sunday of Advent Traditional Worship 8:30 and 11:00 am December 9, 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 and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

about today's service

Forerunners and messengers advance the advent of our God. While John the baptizer's voice in the wilderness may be the principal focus of the day, Malachi's prophecy could as easily herald the coming Lord Jesus as forerunner of the Lord of hosts. Finally all the baptized are called to participate in the sharing of the gospel. In so doing we prepare the way for the coming of the Lord and assist all flesh in capturing a vision of the "salvation of God."

P: Presiding Minister A: Assisting Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

+ Gathering +

Prelude: (8:30) "Comfort"

Chris De Silva

(based on Comfort, Comfort, Now My People)

(11:00) "The Coventry Carol" 16th cent. English/arr. Ocker Youth String Ensemble: Kierra Heinly, Dalia Shartsman; Olivia Falck; Alison Koch

Welcome and Announcements

[Stand]

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.

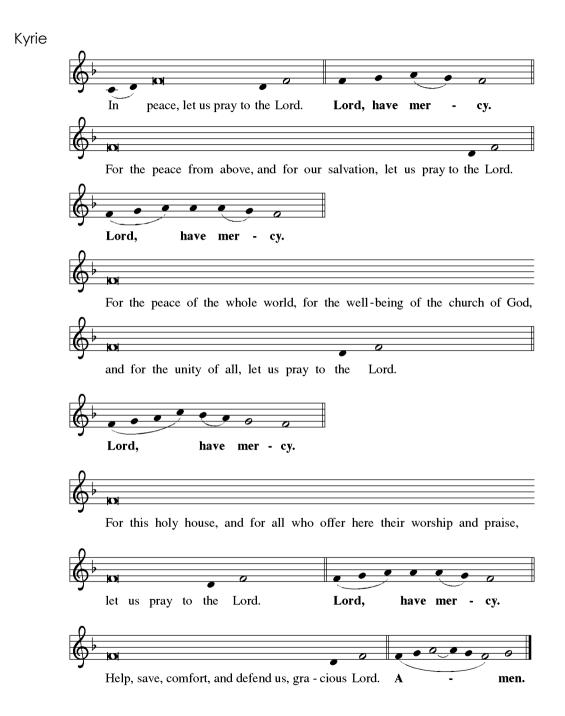
- P: To you, O God,
- C: we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. 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.

(11:00) Turn to face the cross as it enters our midst.

Gathering Hymn No. 264: Prepare the Royal Highway BEREDEN VAG FOR HERRAN

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

- L: God our shepherd, gather like as lambs in your arms. Forgive our sins so that we may rejoice in your coming.
- C: Amen.

Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

O come, O Wisdom from on high, Embracing all things far and nigh: In strength and beauty come and stay; Teach us your will and guide our way. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Prayer of the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray. Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

[Sit]

+Word +

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord announces a covenant with Israel. A messenger like Malachi (his name means "my messenger") shall prepare the way for the coming of the Lord by purifying and refining God's people, as silver and gold are refined.

¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm for the Day

Luke 1:68-79



- A: Blessed are you, Lord, the | God of Israel, you have come to your people and | set them free.
- C: You have raised up for us a | mighty Savior, born of the house of your | servant David.
- A: Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us | from our enemies, from the hands of | all who hate us,
- C: to show mercy | to our forebears, and to remember your | holy covenant.
- A: This was the oath you swore to our | father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our | enemies,
- C: free to worship you | without fear, holy and righteous before you, all the days | of our life.
- A: And you, child, shall be called the prophet of | the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to pre- | pare the way,
- C: to give God's people knowledge | of salvation by the forgiveness | of their sins.
- A: In the tender compassion | of our God the dawn from on high shall | break upon us,
- C: to shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shad- | ow of death, and to guide our feet into the | way of peace.

Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

The apostle Paul was the pastor of many new churches. He writes in this letter about his joy to be in partnership with the Christians of Philippi. Listen to how tender-hearted Paul, sometimes a stern preacher, is with his friends as he encourages them to grow in love and knowledge.

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem:

(8:30) "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

arr. Mark Miller

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free, From our fears 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 every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born to save, born to heal, come, O Savior, come. While we wait, while we pray, come, Savior, come. Hope of all heaven and earth, come, Jesus, come, O Jesus, come.

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.

Born to save, born to heal, come, O Savior, come. While we wait, while we pray, come, Savior, come. Hope of all heaven and earth, come, Jesus, come, O Jesus, come. Michael Clements, soloist (11:00) "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

arr. Craig Courtney

(Liturgy of St. James)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in His hand Christ our God to earth descending comes our homage to demand. King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood. He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads it vanguard on the way; As the Light of light descending from the realms of endless day, Comes the powers of hell to vanguish as the darkness clears away! At His feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry: Alleluia! Lord Most High! Chancel Choir;

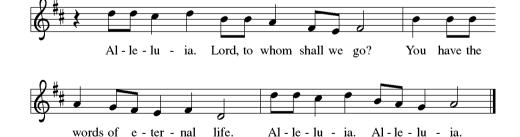
Youth String Ensemble; Sara Schmehl, piano; Ryan Hannigan, chimes; Jon Lobaugh, timpani; Kim Hannigan, percussion

Children's Message

Pastor John Brock

[Stand]

Alleluia



- P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 1st chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

John the Baptist is a herald of the saving Lord, whose way is prepared by "repentance for the forgiveness of sins." As we hear the careful record of human leaders, we sense the spectrum of political and religious authority that will be challenged by this coming Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, 2during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. 3He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, 4as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. 5Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; 6and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon: "Stir Up Our Voices"

Pastor Liz Frey

[Stand]

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.

Luke 3:1-6

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 Intercession

Each petition ends:

- A: Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.

Prayer Response (sung by all)

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels their great glad tidings tell; Oh, come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

\pm Meal \pm

Peace

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

[Sit]

Offering

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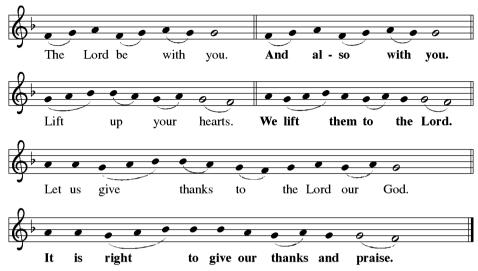
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Offering Prayer

- 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.

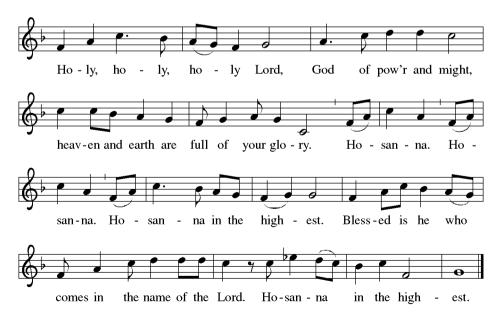
Great Thanksgiving



Proper Preface

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

Holy, Holy, Holy



Eucharistic Prayer

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

The Lord's Prayer

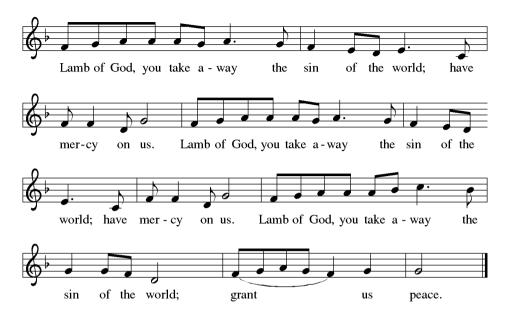
C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

- P: God fills the hungry with good things. Taste and see that the Lord is good.
- C: Thanks be to God.

[Sit]

Lamb of God



Distribution of Holy Communion

We invite all baptized Christians to the Lord's Table to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. Communion is by intinction. You will receive a wafer. Dip it in the chalice of wine before consuming. You may then return to your seat or come to the altar rail for prayer. Children and adults who are not communing may come forward to receive 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 at the time of communion.

(11:00) "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

arr. Mark Miller

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free, From our fears 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 every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born to save, born to heal, come, O Savior, come. While we wait, while we pray, come, Savior, come. Hope of all heaven and earth, come, Jesus, come, O Jesus, come. 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.

Born to save, born to heal, come, O Savior, come. While we wait, while we pray, come, Savior, come. Hope of all heaven and earth, come, Jesus, come, O Jesus, come. Michael Clements, soloist

"People of the Promise"

arr. John Carter

We are God's children, we trust in the promise; we offer our hearts as the new day draws near. We are God's children, we trust in the promise: soon, very soon, the Child will be here. The blind eyes will open, the deaf ears will listen; the lame will go leaping, the silent will sing. Though darkness surrounds us, and waiting confounds us, still to the promise we cling...We are God's children... The desert will blossom, the sands will be fertile: the waters shall break forth and streams shall appear. Though darkness surrounds us, and waiting confounds us, still there is nothing to fear...We are God's children... A highway will call us to walk where it's leading, and we, as God's people, will answer the call. Though darkness surrounds us, and waiting confounds us, still there is joy for us all...We are God's children... Matins Choir

(11:00) Hymn No. 249: On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

[Stand]

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

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

- 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 +

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.

Sending Hymn No. 256: Co	omfort, Comfort Now My People	FREU DICH SEHR

Dismissal

- P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending" Wilbur Held

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Join us next week

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Pastor Jack Horner "Stir Up Our Hopes" (8:30 and 11:00) Olivia Shields, soloist, and Sara Lobaugh, flute (11:00) Family Choir



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worship notes

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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 Ray Seaman, husband and Vally Durr, mother, by Barbara Seaman.

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