



Advent 4

December 18, 2022

8:30 am and 11 am



Christ Lutheran Church
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WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS who worship with us today. We are glad you are here and we invite you to worship with us again and often. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider Christ Lutheran Church. Please sign the attendance card or the Yellow Visitor card in each pew and place it in the offering plate.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus Christ is the host at the table of Holy Communion and invites all to come. Here the real presence of Jesus meets us in the form of bread and wine. In this sacrament he offers himself to us for the forgiveness of sin and the promise of eternal life. You can come forward to the Communion Rail to receive the Holy Communion or if you choose, the Holy Communion kits are available in the narthex, for in-person worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The prelude is a time to prepare for worship. When the prelude begins, please enter the sanctuary prayerfully and reverently. Please silence your cell phones and take this time to quiet your minds and voices.

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Rev. Dr. Bimen Limbong, Pastor
Pr. George Mercer, Pastoral Assistant
Ann Colbert Wade, Director of Music

Welcome

Stand

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Stand/Kneel Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

C **Have mercy on us. We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.**

P With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Sharing the Peace

Entrance Hymn: <i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i> (Stanzas 1-4)
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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.**

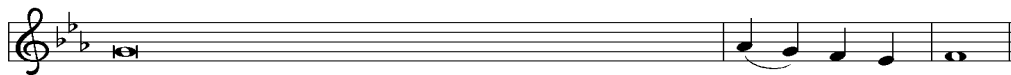
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



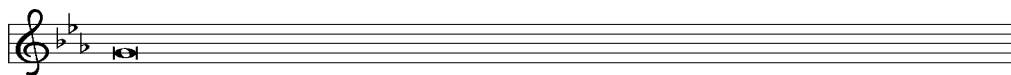
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



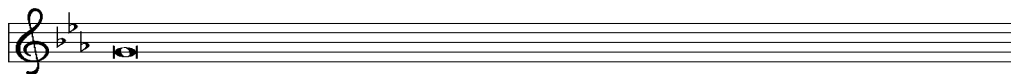
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Prayer of the day (*Celebrate insert*)

C Amen.

Sit

The Word

Children's Sermon

Lighting of the Advent Candle: *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* #240
(Stanzas 1-4)

Readings and Psalm: (*Celebrate insert*)

End 1st and 2nd reading with:

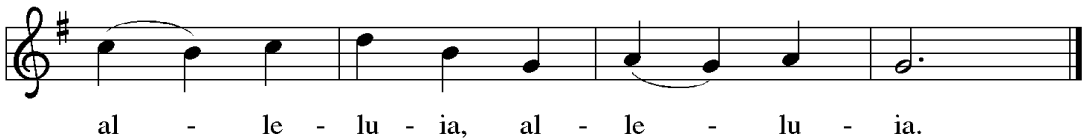
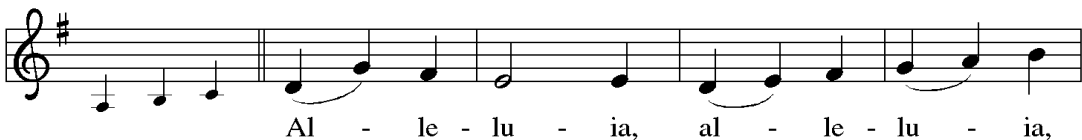
A The word of the Lord.

The congregation responds with:

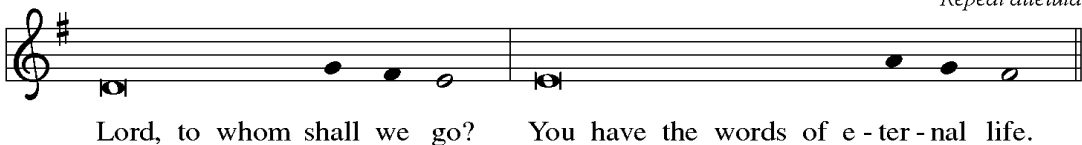
C Thanks be to God

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



Repeat alleluia



Gospel: *(Celebrate insert)*

P The Holy Gospel according to:

C Glory to you O Lord

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you O Christ

Sit

Sermon

Stand

Hymn of the Day: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

(Stanzas 5-8)

The Apostles' Creed

P God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ, living together in trust and hope we confess our faith...

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And born of the virgin Mary,
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
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.**

*Or, He descended into hell

** catholic church means 'universal church or Christian church throughout the world'.

Intercessory Prayers *(See your screen/Celebrate insert)*

Sit

Offering: *For on-line worshipers please mail to the office at 9212 Taylorsville Road, 40299 or contact the office for instructions for direct deposit. You may also use our on-line app at tithe.ly or scan QR code on the right)*



SCAN ME

Offertory Anthem (11:00) *Jessee's Tree*

A fragrant flower shall come springing from the branch of Jesse's tree; this lovely rose is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. This rose will grow into a garden, filled with blooms that will not fade. He will be the incarnation, born of man, yet Godly made.

This lovely rose with spotless petals will come down to bless the earth. In human form, yet Godly image, born a King by humble birth. This rose will grow into the Savior, King of heaven and earth He'll be, living out His Father's purpose, 'neath the shade of Jesse's tree.

This rose of life, with true perfection, sent to be our spotless Lamb; His love will heal the wounded spirit, bringing life and peace to man. This rose will grow into a garden, filled with blooms forever free; then this rose will come full circle, hanging still, on Jesse's tree.

Stand

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray,

C Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**


Preface

P It is indeed right...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



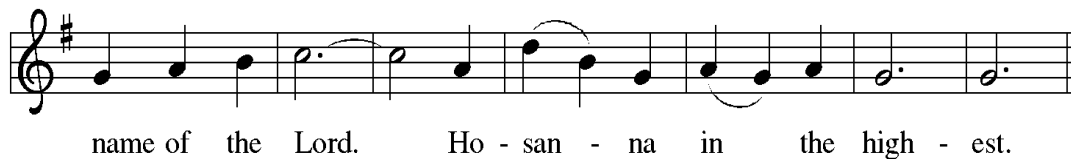
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of



pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

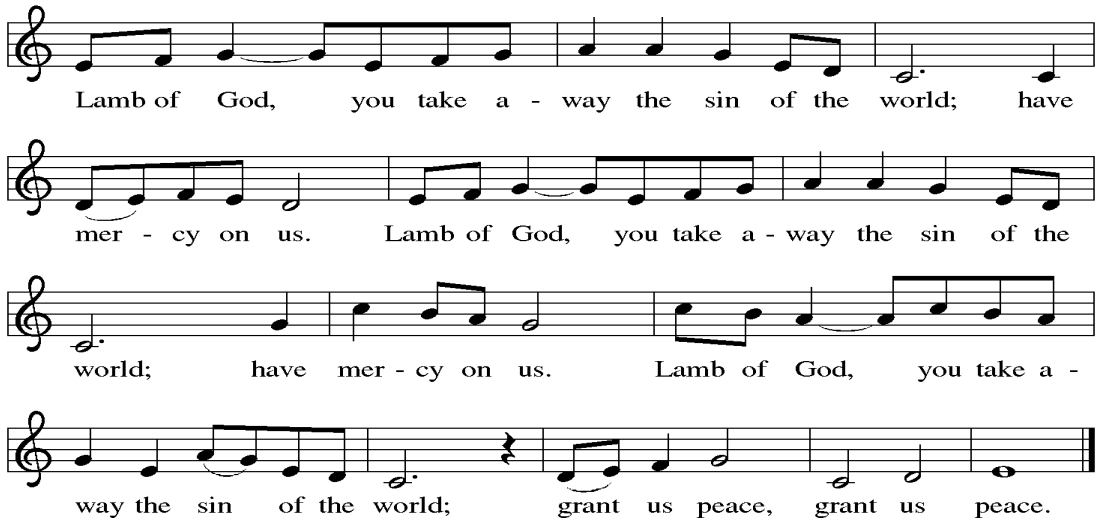
C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

Sit

Communion



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

Stand

Blessing

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of His body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A Let us pray.

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

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn: <i>Joy to the World</i>
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A Making Christ Known... Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *The King Shall Come*

Burkhardt

Office Hours:

Monday 8:30–4:30

Tuesday 8:30–4:30

Wednesday 8:30–4:30

Thursday 8:30–4:30

Friday 8:30–4:30

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