



Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Midweek Advent I

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

12:00 & 6:30 pm



*The Rising Sun
Will Come to Us
from Heaven*

Luke 1:78

Worship Leader: Pastor Richard Krause
Preacher: Pastor Richard Warnecke

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide”



1 O Sav - ior, rend the heav - ens wide; Come down, come
2 O Morn - ing Star, O ra - diant Dawn, When will we
3 Sin's dread - ful doom up - on us lies; Grim death looms
4 There shall we all our prais - es bring And sing to



down with might - y stride; Un - lock the gates, the doors break
sing your morn - ing song? Come, Son of God! With - out your
fierce be - fore our eyes. Oh, come, lead us with might - y
you, our Sav - ior - King; There shall we laud you and a -



down; Un - bar the way to heav - en's crown.
light We grope in dread and gloom of night.
hand From ex - ile to our prom - ised land.
dore For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

Stand

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We worship in the name of our God, who was, and is, and ever shall be—
C: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: During the season of Advent, we celebrate the faithfulness of God. He promised a Savior, and in a manger, on a cross, and in an empty tomb, he has kept his Word. He promised to pierce our darkness with his light, and he fulfilled that promise by sending his Son, Jesus Christ, as the Light of the world.

C: Come, Lord Jesus. Fill our lives with the light of your presence.

P: Let your light shine,

C: And scatter the darkness of our sinfulness.

P: Let your light shine,

C: That others may see you within us.

P: Let your light shine,

C: And fill us with love.

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

C: The light no darkness can overcome.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

(silence)

PRAYER

P: Everlasting God, we thank you for loving us from the beginning of time. You graciously sent your Son into this world to save us from our sins. Renew our hearts and transform our thoughts to what is pleasing to you. Remove the clutter and distractions from our lives, and place our focus on the coming of Jesus, who is Emmanuel, God with us.

C: Hear us as we pray in his name. Amen.

Be seated

PSALM 25

P: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;

C: In you I trust, O my God.

P: Remember, O LORD, your great mercy and love,

C: For they are from of old.

P: Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;

C: According to your love remember me, for you are good, O LORD.

P: My eyes are ever on the LORD,
C: For only he will release my feet from the snare.

P: Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C: For I am lonely and afflicted.

P: The troubles of my heart have multiplied;
C: Free me from my anguish.

P: Look upon my affliction and my distress,
C: And take away all my sins.

P: Guard my life and rescue me;
C: Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Isaiah 7: 10-14*

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, “Ask the LORD your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights.”

But Ahaz said, “I will not ask; I will not put the LORD to the test.”

Then Isaiah said, “Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.”


EPISTLE LESSON *Romans 1: 1-7*

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name’s sake. And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”



1 O Lord, how shall I meet you, How wel - come
2 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; Love brought you
you a - right? Your peo - ple long to greet you,
down to me. Your thirst for my sal - va - tion
My Hope, my heart's De - light. O Je - sus, let your
Pro - cured my lib - er - ty. Oh, love be - yond all
Word be A lamp to light my way, To show me
tell - ing That led you to em - brace In love, all
how to please you, To guide me ev - 'ry day.
love ex - cel - ling, Our lost and fall - en race!

SERMON TEXT *Luke 1: 67-75*

His father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied:

“Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel,
because he has come to his people and redeemed them.
He has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David
(as he said through his holy prophets of long ago),
salvation from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us—

to show mercy to our ancestors
and to remember his holy covenant,
the oath he swore to our father Abraham:
to rescue us from the hand of our enemies,
and to enable us to serve him without fear
in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.”

SERMON Join Zechariah’s Praise to the Lord!

- I. The Lord has redeemed you from fear.**
- II. The Lord drives out your doubts with his Word.**
- III. The Lord enables you to serve him with joy.**

“The Rising Sun” (*soloist, 6:30 pm service*)

The rising sun will come to us, will come to us from heaven.
The light of God will shine on us, shine into our darkness.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel—he has remembered.

Praise to the Lord of Israel, our hope and our Redeemer.

Save us from our restlessness, the war within our nature.
Guide us in your path of peace by your mercy tender.

Stand

PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

P: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

Be seated

“Come, O Long-Expected Jesus”



1 Come, O long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, Born to set your peo - ple free;
2 Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child and yet a king,



From our sins and fears re - lease us By your death on Cal - va - ry.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now your gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's Strength and Con - so - la - tion, Hope to all the earth im - part,
By your own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
By your all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Welcome!

If you are visiting, please sign a guest card (found in the gathering area) and come back and worship with us soon! We are happy to have you worship with us today.

Offerings can be deposited into the labeled boxes as you exit. **Bulletins** can be taken home with you or can be deposited into trash containers as you exit worship.

Available Services: Our ushers are glad to provide **large print bulletins** for those who need them. Our **hearing induction loop system** is functional throughout the sanctuary and works through the T coil function of hearing aid apparatuses. **Restrooms** are in the coatroom area and the parents' room. We ask that one family use the restroom at a time. Parents are welcome to use the **parents' room** in the corner of our sanctuary (one family at a time). You can hear and view the service there. You will find a **diaper changing station** in the parents' room and in both restrooms located in the coatroom area.

SCHEDULES

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Screens
Wed., Dec. 2, 12:00 pm	Mark Ramthun	Rebecca Siehr	Barb Brandt
Wed., Dec. 2, 6:30 pm	Dale Lindenberg, Wayne Lindenberg		Julia Neuman
Sat., Dec. 5, 5:00 pm	Ray Bormann, David Baehler		Debbie Kamin
Sunday, Dec. 6, 8:00 am	Gary Hanke (O), Dennis Szymanski, Brad Tessmann, John Johnson, Cory Loppnow	John & Mary Gilbert	Jacob Fralick
Sunday, Dec. 6, 10:30 am	Glen Heuer (O), Dan Hahn, Mark Ramthun, Jon Erdman, Paul Schroeder	Rick & Cindy Eastman	Rachel Druckrey
Wed., Dec. 9, 12:00 pm	John Goldmann	Rebecca Siehr	Barb Brandt
Wed., Dec. 9, 6:30 pm	Jon Mann, Colin Macpherson		Erin Rausch

This Week at Christ Lutheran

- Today:** Prayer Partners 10:00 am & 3:00 pm
Midweek Advent Worship Services 12:00 & 6:30 pm
Bible Information Class 1:00 pm
Call Meeting 7:30 pm
- Thursday:** Enduring Word Bible Study 9:00 am
Widows & Widowers 11:30 am
Christmas Tree Setup 5:00 pm
Online Youth Confirmation 5:45 pm
Handbell Choir 6:30 pm
- Friday:** Christmas Decorating 5:00 pm
- Saturday:** Sunday School Christmas Practice 9:00 am
We Need(le) You 9:00 am
Bible Information Class 3:30 pm
Worship Service 5:00 pm
- Sunday:** Worship Services 8:00 & 10:30 am
“Noah” Adult Bible Study, Adult Sunday School 9:10 am
Bible Information Class 9:10 am
Sunday School, Youth Confirmation, Teen Bible Study 9:10 am
Erin Worship 5:00 pm
- Monday:** Preschool Committee Meeting 6:30 pm
- Tuesday:** Early Risers Bible Class 8:00 am
Piecemakers 9:00 am
Youth Confirmation 5:45 pm
Bible Information Class 7:00 pm
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Announcements

Pastor Gerbing has received a call to serve as the pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in Eden Prairie, MN. Please pray for Pastor Gerbing, that the Holy Spirit would give him wisdom as he deliberates on this call. Your comments and concerns for him and his family will be greatly appreciated.

Call Meeting: Pastor Matt Hennig has declined our call to serve here at Christ. A new call meeting has been set for this evening at 7:30 pm in the Grand Hall. Plan to join us this evening. We will receive a new call list from our District President.

Midweek Advent Worship Services will continue on Wednesdays, December 9 and 16 at 12:00 & 6:30 pm. **A German-English Service** will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 12:00 pm. Due to COVID-19 there will be no meals.

The Christmas Poinsettias which beautify our sanctuary for the Christmas season may be purchased. The price will be \$26 each. A signup sheet with more details will be on the table in the gathering area with an attached envelope for your payment. The poinsettias may be taken home after our Christmas Day worship services.

Christmas Decorating: Come and help decorate the church for Christmas! On Thursday, December 3 at 5:00 pm we will assemble Christmas trees. On Friday, December 4 at 5:00 pm we will decorate the trees and the church building. Many hands of all ages and talents will be needed to accomplish this! Come join the fun as we decorate for Christmas. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Tetting (262-523-1374) or Sibylle Krause (262-424-6164). Please sign up in the gathering area if you can help.

Sunday School Christmas Eve Service Practices will be held on Saturdays, December 5, 12, and 19 from 9:00-10:00 am in the gym. A rehearsal will be held on Sunday, December 20 from 9:10-10:10 am in the gym. Parents, please check your email if you have not yet registered your child to participate in the Christmas Eve Service. All children are required to attend the Saturday practices in order to participate in the Sunday School Christmas Eve Service.

Caroling with the Choir will be held on Thursday, December 10. We will meet at 6:00 pm at church to record videos of carols which will be shared with homebound members and others. All voices are welcome!

Bible Classes

Widows & Widowers will meet Thursday, December 3 at 11:30 am in the Grand Hall. Lunch will be provided and Bible study with Pastor Gerbing will follow lunch. Any questions, please call Pat Lehman at 262-574-0826 or Pastor Gerbing at 262-691-0720.

Sunday School for 3K Preschool through 6th grade is held on Sundays at 9:10 am. Contact Ron Morrow if you have any questions (414-559-8829 or ron2morrow@yahoo.com).

Youth Confirmation for grades 7-8 is held on Sundays at 9:10 am. The class also meets midweek on Tuesdays at 5:45 pm on-site and Thursdays at 5:45 pm on Zoom. To learn more, please contact Pastor Gerbing.

Bible Information Class: Review the fundamental teachings of the Christian faith as revealed in the Bible. This is an excellent class for anyone interested in becoming a member of our church and a good refresher course for members. Class meets weekly on Saturdays at 3:30 pm, Sundays at 9:10 am, Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, and Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Please contact Pastor Warnecke if you have any questions.

Early Risers Bible Class meets on Tuesdays at 8:00 am in the new lower level confirmation room. (Members, look for a Zoom invitation email.) Join us as we see God's grace in the life of God's servant Moses.

Enduring Word Bible Class meets on Thursdays at 9:00 am in the new lower level confirmation room at church. We are studying the Book of Esther. (Members, look for a Zoom invitation email.)

The "Noah" Adult Bible Study meets Sunday, December 6 at 9:10 am in the grand hall.

Adult Sunday School meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the library. All adults are welcome!

Teen Bible Study meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the teen room.

Employment Opportunity: Our International Friendship Center is seeking a part-time coordinator to plan and lead outreach events and activities for the international community in the greater Pewaukee area. The coordinator will manage a program to involve volunteers from both inside and outside our congregation. More information is available from Pastor Krause. Please submit resumes to him at pastorkrause@christpewaukee.org.

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