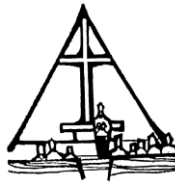


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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 6, 2015

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book – Holy Communion Setting One

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children's Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

Bold Print – indicates congregation responds as a whole

* – indicates congregation should stand as able

PRELUDE

Emmanuel Shall Come
What Child Is This?

Dennis Eliot
arr. by Ed Kerr

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* ELW # 257
Vs. 1 and 2, solo; congregation join on refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice!

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***OPENING HYMN** *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn* ELW # 242

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***HYMN OF PRAISE** *Glory to God* p. 99

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

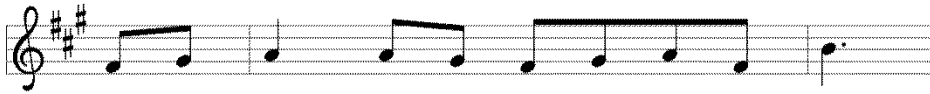
FIRST LESSON Malachi 3:1-4

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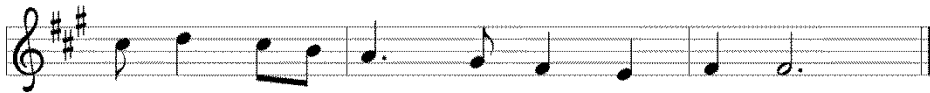
PSALM – Luke 1:68-79

Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.

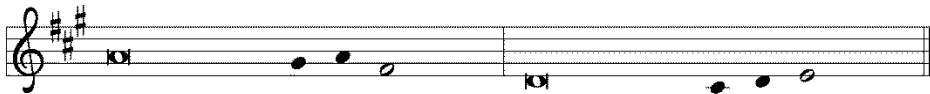
*Congregation responds with the **bold verses**.*



In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God



the dawn from on high will break up - on us.



Blessed are you, Lord, the ¹ God of Israel,
you have come to your people and ¹ set them free.
**⁶⁹You have raised up for us a ¹ mighty Savior,
born of the house of your ¹ servant David. R**
⁷⁰Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us ¹ from our enemies,
⁷¹from the hands of ¹ all who hate us,
⁷²**to show mercy ¹ to our forebears,
and to remember your ¹ holy covenant.**
⁷³This was the oath you swore to our ¹ father Abraham:
⁷⁴to set us free from the hands of our ¹ enemies,
**free to worship you ¹ without fear,
⁷⁵holy and righteous before you, all the days ¹ of our life. R**
⁷⁶And you, child, shall be called the prophet of ¹ the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to pre- ¹ pare the way,
⁷⁷**to give God's people knowledge ¹ of salvation
by the forgiveness ¹ of their sins.**
⁷⁸In the tender compassion ¹ of our God
the dawn from on high shall ¹ break upon us,
⁷⁹**to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shad- ¹ ow of death,
and to guide our feet into the ¹ way of peace. R**

SECOND LESSON Philippians 1:3-11

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia

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***GOSPEL**

*** (P) The Holy Gospel according to Luke 3:1-6**

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*** (C) Glory to you, O Lord.**

*** (P) The Gospel of our Lord.**

*** (C) Praise to you, O Christ.**

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

Today, December 6.....9:30am Worship Service – Second Sunday of Advent
10:45am Sunday School Classes, Teen/High School Class
11:00am Adult Education Class
12:00pm Board of Church Properties Meeting
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Monday, December 77:00pm Board of Lay Ministry Meeting

Tuesday, December 87:30pm Roca de Horeb

Wednesday, December 96:45pm Midweek Advent Vespers Service
7:30pm Hands, Hearts and Voices Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 10.....10:30am Bible Study at The Shores of Lake Phalen
3:00pm Worship Service at Bel Rae of Mounds View
5:30pm Serve at the Family Service Center
6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:30pm 7th Day Adventist Prayer Group

Friday, December 116:00pm – 9:30pm Roca de Horeb

Saturday, December 12.....6:00am – 8:00am Roca de Horeb
9:30am – 12:30pm 7th Day Adventists
5:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Sunday, December 13.....9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes, Teen/High School Class
11:00am Worship at The Homestead of Maplewood
12:00pm Youth Christmas Event
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer:

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay close by me forever and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in your tender care and fit us for heaven, to live with you there. Amen.

Stewardship Verse
II Corinthians 8:9



For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!

