



LBW - Lutheran Book of Worship
 WOV - With One Voice
 CH - Celebration Hymnal

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Prelude: Variations on "Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming" Martha Sobaje

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW p. 77
 Entrance Hymn: **Fling Wide the Door** LBW # 32
 Greeting LBW p. 78

Advent Kyrie

P: O Lord, have mercy and come to us.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation:

C: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

P: O Adonai and Ruler of the house of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the burning bush and gave him the Law on Sinai:

C: Come with an outstretched arm and redeem us.

P: O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign before the peoples, before whom all kings are mute, to whom the nations will do homage:

C: Come quickly to deliver us.

P: O Emmanuel, our King and our Lawgiver, the anointed of the nations and their Savior:

C: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

Hymn of Praise: *The Magnificat* Insert

Prayer of the Day: **Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candles

P: The Gospel of John speaks of Christ as the true light coming into the world. We light candles for the four weeks of Advent and reflect on the coming of Christ- as a child in a manger, God incarnate, and as the Lord of the living and the dead who promises to return in glory. Christ is coming. Christ is always coming, always entering a troubled world, a wounded heart. And so we light the first candle, the candle of hope, and dare to express our longing for peace, for healing, and the well-being of all creation.

(The candle is lit- we join in singing verse one of LBW # 34)

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

Men: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.

P: We join with our sisters and brothers in Christ, lighting candles to mark our steps in this Advent Journey.

Women: Even though the world seems dark and cold, we know that the light of Christ is coming. The face of our Lord will shine, and we shall be saved.

Men: Testifying against all suffering and darkness, we kindle this light. Together, we proclaim to the world that, in Christ, we have hope.

C: Loving God, as we enter this Advent season, we open all the dark places in our lives and memories to the healing light of Christ. Show us the creative power of hope. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you that we may walk in the light of Christ.

First Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-9

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Verse: **Alleluia...** and Gospel Acclamation LBW p. 83

Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

Sermon

Sermon Hymn: **O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide**LBW # 38

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Prayer of the Church

Reception of New Members

Sharing of the Peace

The Collection of the Offering: “LO, He Comes with Clouds Descending” John A. Stallsmith

Offering Response:LBW # 23 v. 3

***I lay in fetters, groaning; You came to set me free.
I stood, my shame bemoaning; You came to honor me.
A glorious crown you give me, A treasure safe on high
That will not fail or leave me as earthly riches fly.***

Prayer: **Merciful Father...**LBW p. 87

The Great ThanksgivingLBW p. 88

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)LBW p. 89

The Words of InstitutionLBW p. 89

The Lord's PrayerLBW p. 91

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)LBW p. 92

Note to our guests: *As your church’s tradition and your conscience may allow, we welcome all who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and who believe in the real presence of Christ in, with and under the bread and wine to participate in the celebration of Holy Communion.*

The Distribution

I Lay My Sins on Jesus.....LBW # 305

Chief of SinnersLBW # 306

The Post-Communion Canticle: **Thank the Lord**.....LBW p. 92

The Post-Communion PrayerLBW p. 94

Benediction and AmenLBW p. 97

Announcements

Closing Hymn: **My Lord what a Morning**..... WOVS # 627

Chimes and Postlude: " Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her" Georg Friedrich Kauffmann

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Welcome to worship at Emmanuel! We praise God for this day and the opportunity to hear His Word. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments- and then let us walk into the world, living as disciples of the Lord.

You’re invited to order one or more poinsettias in memory of, or in honor of loved ones. Mail or drop off the order form with your payment at the church office.

Today, Logos Legos will have a bake sale and free will offering before the church service and then during fellowship time after church. The LL group will match all donations and bake sale proceeds received with funds from our own savings account. So your funds will be matched dollar for dollar to help others! With the funds, we'll purchase lifesaving medicines and supersized mosquito nets. Help us to purchase and send these humanitarian gifts to those in need. If you have questions or would like to donate to our cause, please let Jody Hackbart or Nicole Cole know. Thank you for helping reflect God's love through your gift this season.

Dear members and friends of Emmanuel Lutheran: We would like for you to be aware that our Advent and Christmas offering for 2017 will remain at Emmanuel. After serious contemplation we decided not to split the upcoming offerings as we have in the past but rather add them to our Current Fund in light of a relatively low working balance. It is our hope and intent to resume Emmanuel’s tradition of splitting the Advent and Christmas offerings in future years. Thank you to everyone who has been faithful and charitable in supporting our ministry this past year. We especially thank you for boosting our Building Fund and for the generosity you showed toward our Mission Fest recipient. May God bless giver and gifts.

-The Stewardship Board

You’re invited to First Lutheran Church Women’s Christmas program with “Witness 4”, a musical group and luncheon to follow in St. Ansgar on Sat, Dec 9 at 10am.

Join us for a “Journey to Bethlehem” an Advent Experience at Bethel Church in Manly on Sat, Dec 9 & Sun, Dec 10 from 1-7pm.

We will have two ADVENT SERVICES during the Advent season: this Wednesday, December 6th and on the 13th. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 pm and spend some time with one another singing and discussing Advent hymns. What is the message? Why do we sing them? How did they come about? Come and join us by the glimmer of candles as we contemplate God's Word in song.

Live Nativity 2017: We are in need of your help! There are places around the church where you can sign up to bring various "market items" which will be on display as people come to see the presentation. We are also looking for "a few good men" to help us set up the Bethlehem scene this coming Friday at 1:30pm. If you can assist, please let Pastor Z know. For those who are members of the cast: our rehearsal will be at 9am on Saturday December 9th.

Open House, Grafton Depot, Wed, Dec 6, 5:30 - 7 pm. The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train will be passing through Grafton around 6 pm (it will NOT stop). Drop in for cider and cookies.



Advent and Christmas Worship Services

This Week at Emmanuel December 4 - 10		
Wednesday, December 4	4:15 pm	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	Choir
Tuesday, December 5	6:30 pm	Lay ministry Committee
	7:00 pm	Stewardship Committee
Thursday, December 7	9:30 am	Bible Study
Friday, December 8	1:30pm	Set up for Live Nativity
Saturday, December 9	9:00 am	Live Nativity Rehearsal
Sunday, December 10	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Fellowship
	10:40 am	Sunday School
	3:00 pm	Live Nativity

Sunday Offering for November 26,		Attendance: 95
Current- \$ 1,875.75	Benevolence- \$ 1,688	Building- \$ 1,360
Sunday School- \$ -		Food Bank- \$ 20

Sunday, December 3	9:30 am	2 nd Sunday of Advent
Wednesday, December 6	7:00 pm	Advent Worship Service
Sunday, December 10	9:30 am	3 rd Sunday of Advent
	3:00 pm	Live Nativity Performance
Wednesday, December 13	7:00 pm	Advent Worship Service
Sunday, December 17	9:30 am	4 th Sunday of Advent
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Christmas Program
Sunday, December 24	9:30 am	Christmas Eve Morning
Sunday, December 24	6:30 pm	Christmas Eve Night
Monday, December 25	9:30 am	Christmas Day
Sunday, December 31	9:30 am	New Year's Eve Morning

