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

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CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Blessed is he who comes as king, who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

P: I will hear what the Lord God has to say.

C: A voice that speaks for peace.

P: Peace for all people and for his friends.

C: And those who turn to him in their hearts.

P: God's help is near for those who fear him,

C: And his glory will live in our land.

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ADVENT HYMN OF PRAISE

C: O come, O come, Emmanuel, / And ransom captive Israel, / That mourns in lonely exile here / Until the Son of God appear. / Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / Shall come to you, O Israel.

P: The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

Revelation 3:18-22

Psalms 62 in unison.....LBW pg. 241

MEDITATION: "God Is in the Manger" - Waiting - By Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Hymn: "*Blessed Be the God of Israel*".....WOV # 725

Collection of the Offering

P: Let us pray. O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works: give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever.

C: Amen

P: We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.

C: Amen

P: And as our Savior taught us, we are bold to say:

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

P: In all your Advent preparations, remain watchful with your eyes on Christ, whose birth in a manger is but a promise of his coming again in glory. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.

C: Amen