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

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1st Sunday of Christmas

December 27, 2020

Prelude: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Rolf Unkel

"What Child is This" piano and organ duet by Gilbert M. Martin

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the Word made flesh, the Lord and Giver of life. **C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection

P: God of glory, God of peace,

C: We confess that we have shunned the light that reveals the truth about us. We cling to worldly things rather than to look for the life that comes to us in Christ. We trust ourselves and others rather than you. Save your people, O God. Sustain the creation you have made. Free us to live boldly in and through your Word made flesh, Jesus, the Christ.

P: The grace of God shines upon us, bringing salvation to the whole world. We are indeed saved, our sins are washed away. In the name of Almighty God I declare to you that you have been forgiven. Renewed by the Holy Spirit let us live in hope and joy. God has come to live among us! Amen

Opening Hymn: *Angels from the Realms of Glory*.....LBW # 50

*1. Angels, from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Once you sang creation's story; Now proclaim Messiah's birth: (Refrain)*

Refrain: Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn king.

*2. Shepherds, in the fields abiding, Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing, Yonder shines the infant light. (Refrain)*

*3. Sages, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great desire of nations, You have seen his natal star. (Refrain)*

*4. All creation, join in praising God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising To the eternal Three in One. (Refrain)*

The Greeting

P: Christ is born. Alleluia. 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.

The Kyrie – Lord Have Mercy

P: Kyrie Eleison – **C: Lord have Mercy**

P: Christe Eleison – **C: Christ have Mercy**

P: Kyrie Eleison – **C: Lord have Mercy unto us**

Hymn of Praise – *The Magnificat*Insert
The Salutation

Prayer of the Day: **Almighty God, you have made yourself known in your Son, Jesus, redeemer of the world. We pray that his birth as a human child will set us free from the old slavery of our sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Second Lesson: Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel Versicle "Ancient Words"

*Holy words long preserved
for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart
Oh, let the Ancient words impart.*

*Words of Life, words of Hope
Give us strength, help us cope
In this world, where e'er we roam
Ancient words will guide us Home.*

Refrain: *Ancient words ever true
Changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts
Oh let the ancient words impart.*

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

*Ancient words ever true
Changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts
Oh let the ancient words impart.
We have come with open hearts
Oh let the ancient words impart.*

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Hymn: What Child is

This.....LBW # 40

*1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the king, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary!*

*2. Why lies he in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mary!*

*3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, The virgin sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mary!*

Sermon: **Indeed, what Child is This???**

Sermon Hymn: O Lord, Now Let Your Servant.....LBW # 339

*1. O Lord, now let your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto your holy hill,
The glory of your people, Your chosen Israel.*

*2. Then grant that I may follow Your gleam, O glorious Light,
Till earthly shadows scatter, And faith is changed to sight;
Till raptured saints shall gather Upon that shining shore,
Where Christ, the blessed daystar, Shall light them evermore.*

Apostle's

Creed.....LBW p. 85

**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 into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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**

Prayer and Lord's Prayer.....LBW p. 97

Benediction and Amen.....LBW p. 97

Announcements

Closing Hymn: Cold December Flies Away.....LBW # 53

*1. Cold December flies away At the rose-red splendor.
April's crowing glory breaks while the whole world wonders
At the holy unseen pow'r Of the tree which bears the flow'r.
On the blessed tree Blooms the reddest flow'r.
On the tree blooms the rose Here in loves' own garden,
Full and strong in glory.*

*2. In the hopeless time of sin Shadows deep had fallen.
All the world lay under death. Eyes were closed in sleeping.
But, when all seemed lost in night, Came the sun whose golden light
Brings unending joy, Brings the endless joy
Of our hope, highest hope, Of our hope's bright dawning,
Son beloved of heaven.*

*3. Now the bud has come to bloom, And the world awakens.
In the lily's purest flow'r Dwells a wondrous fragrance.
And it spreads to all the earth From the moment of its birth;
And its beauty lives. In the flow'r it lives,
In the flow'r, and it spreads In its heav'nly brightness
Sweet perfume delightful.*

Chimes and Postlude: *Medley of traditional Christmas Songs*

General: \$7,624	Benevolence: \$135	Campership Fund: \$150
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Members, friends and visitors: welcome to our worship today! We praise God for this day and the opportunity to hear His Word. May God bless you with a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Please be seated...after the closing hymn. You will be ushered out from the back of the sanctuary. Please exit through the double glass doors!

Our condolences...to Ruth Neeley and family at the loss of her mother, Bernice Foell, on December 16th. May God comfort all who mourn.

Year-end deadline...for financial contributions to Emmanuel is Wednesday, December 30th at noon. Any funds received after will be acknowledged on your 2021 statement.

New offering envelopes...are available to pick up.

Annual Meeting reports...need to be submitted to the church office no later than Monday, January 11th. The meeting will be on January 31st. If submitting in electronic form, please send in a non-PDF form so Sharon can manipulate it for the report. Any questions, contact the office.

In anticipation...of a kitchen remodeling next year, the countertops and old cupboard doors and drawers have been removed by our Property Committee. If you are interested

in having any of the items, please contact Michael Cole or call the office for information.



This Week at Emmanuel December 27- January 3		
Wednesday, December 30	4:30 pm	No Confirmation
Friday, January 1		<i>Happy New Year!</i> Church office closed
Sunday, January 3	9:30 am	Worship
	10:40 am	Sunday School

December 20th, 2020	Attendance: 115
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