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

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Organist: Charlotte Cole

Acolyte: Aundraya Paulson

3rd Sunday in Advent

December 12th, 2021

Prelude: *“O Come, Little Children”/ “Your Little Ones, Dear Lord”*

Brief Order for Confession and ForgivenessLBW p. 77

Entrance Hymn: ***Hark, the Glad Sound!***.....**LBW # 35**

GreetingLBW p. 78

Advent Kyrie

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

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

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

C: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

L: 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.

L: 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.

L: 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: Almighty God, you once called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son and to prepare his way. Grant us, your people, the wisdom to see your purpose today and the openness to hear your will, that we may witness to Christ’s coming and so prepare his way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candles

Youth: We have lit the first two candles, one for Hope and one for Peace. Today we light the third candle, the candle of Joy. This should be the easy one, because joy is all around us—in the children, the lights, the music, the gathering together. But how often do we let our preparations—or our memories—push joy to the side?

Youth: Joy is like an underground spring that wells up within us, but joy is also a choice, an attitude. Like a muscle, it needs to be exercised. So today we open ourselves to joy, trusting that God has already planted it in us. All we need to do is give it care and offer it to share.

(The candles are lit. We join in singing verse one of LBW # 34)

Youth: 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.

Youth: Week by week, the light grows stronger and brighter, as we anticipate the coming Christ.

Women: The candles of Hope and Preparation are already ablaze. Today, we light the candle of Joy.

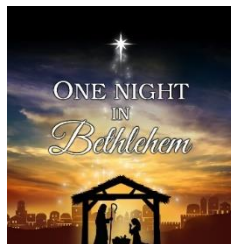
Men: We excitedly anticipate the coming of the Mighty One. The promise of healing, comfort, liberty, and freedom is good news that is meant to be shared!

Women: Rejoicing in the mercy and justice of our Lord, we kindle this flame. Together, we lift our hearts and voices in songs of joy.

All: Loving God, we open ourselves to you, trusting that this is how you made us: you created us for joy-filled hearts and lives. Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from justice. Fill us with the kind of joy that cannot be contained, but must be shared. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you so that we may walk in the light of Christ. Amen.

Children’s Program: One Night in Bethlehem

*For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.
Luke 2:11*



Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful.....LBW # 45 vv.1, 3, & 4

Song: *Jesus Loves Me*
Song: *In a Little Stable*

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing.....LBW # 60

Song: *How Glad I Am Each Christmas Eve*
Song: *Sing a Lamb*

Joy to the World.....LBW # 39 vv 1, 2, & 4

Psalmody: Isaiah 12:2-6

Apostle’s Creed.....LBW p. 85

Collection of the Offering: *“What Can I Give Him?”*

The Offering Response: *Create in Me*.....LBW p. 96

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

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

Announcements

Closing Hymn: ***Rejoice, the Lord is King!***.....LBW # 171

Chimes and Postlude: *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* / *“Angels from the Realms of Glory”* / *“Worthy, You Are Worthy”*

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Members, friends and visitors: welcome to our worship today! We are glad you are here and your presence is important to all of us. God’s blessings to you and yours as we prepare for and celebrate the birth of the Christ Child. There will not be Sunday School class today, so please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and a time of conversation.

Thank You... to Will Bartz for leading worship, to Brittany Bartz and Marena Henkle for the work with our Christmas program, to all of our Sunday School teachers for their dedication, and to the children for their part to make the program special for us all.

This Week at Emmanuel December 13 th - 19 th		
Tuesday, December 14	9:00 a.m.	TWC (The Women’s Council)
Wednesday, December 15	1:00 p.m.	Connection Group
	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, December 19 th	9:30 am	Worship w/ Pastor Weeg <i>Holy Communion, Noisy offering</i>
<i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>		No Sunday School

December 5 th , 2021		Attendance: 71
General: \$2,242	Thanksgiving: \$20	SS Offering: \$14
Building: \$25	Food Bank: \$40	Campership: \$50

The North American Lutheran Church presents *Come!*... an Advent devotional booklet for 2021. The executive staff of the NALC has prepared devotions for each day from the First Sunday of Advent to Christmas Day. Copies are on the table inside the wooden doors, feel free to take one.

Poinsettia order forms... can be found outside the church office on the small table. You may fill them out and drop them in the box, lay them on the desk, or you may call the office and place your order by phone.

There is an opening... on the hymn committee. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Marena Henkle.



Christmas Services... will be on Friday, December 24th at 6:30 p.m. (Candlelight) and Sunday, December 26th, both led by Pastor Weeg. Please note, there will be no Christmas Day Service.

Christmas offering... the first \$1500 will go to Benevolence, the rest will remain at Emmanuel.