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

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First Sunday of Advent

November 27th, 2022

Prelude: "Oh, Come, Oh, Come Emmanuel" R. Moser

Brief Order for Confession and ForgivenessLBW p. 77

Entrance Hymn: *The King Shall Come*.....**LBW # 33**

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** (Please leave insert in pew after service)

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

L: 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)

L: 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.

L: 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.

Choir Anthems: "Call to Advent" & "Prepare Ye"

First Lesson: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122 (read responsively)LBW p. 279

Second Lesson: Romans 13:11-14

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

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Hymn of the Day: *Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying*.....**LBW #31**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn: *My Lord, What a Morning*.....**WOV #627**
 Apostles' Creed.....LBW p. 85
 The Collection of the Offering: *"Arise, Sons of the Kingdom"* Johann, Chr. Bach
 Offertory: Create in Me LBW p. 96
 Prayer and Lord's Prayer LBW p. 97
 The Benediction and Amen LBW p. 97
 Announcements
 Closing Hymn: *Soon and Very Soon*.....**WOV # 744**
 Chimes and Postlude: *"The Day is Surely Drawing Near"* M. Praetorius

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A warm and gracious Welcome! to all who join in worship today. May God bless our time together as we enter the season of Advent. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for refreshments and conversation.

Poinsettia order forms...are found in today's bulletin. You may fill them out and drop them off at the church office or you may call the office and place your order by phone.

Advent devotionals from the NALC... are available on the small table inside the wooden door entrance.

Congratulations...to Marena and Cody Henkle on the birth of a son, Cillian Thatcher Boyd Henkle on November 19th. He joins an older brother, Flint and sister, Trixie. God's blessings on the growing family!!

Grafton Cemetery Association... Total donations: \$2,140.00. Thank you to all who contributed this year.

Kitchen Items...are on tables in the fellowship hall, some for the taking and some for an offer. There is also one electric stove for sale.

This Week at Emmanuel November 28 th -December 6 th		
Wednesday, November 30 th	2:00 pm	Bible Study with Pastor Weeg
	4:30 pm	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	Choir
Sunday, December 4 th	9:30 am	Worship w Pastor Weeg/ HC
	10:40 am	Fellowship, SS, Logos Legos

Sunday, November 20th: Attendance: 59 Offering: General: \$1,295
 Benevolence: \$250 Building: \$45 Campership: \$50 Sunday School: \$2

For Pastoral Care... contact Linda Koschmeder at 641-420-9094. Pastor Weeg will be available after the 28th at 641-381-0675. Sharon will be out of the office until the 29th.

Dates to remember in December:

Sunday, December 4th: Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, December 11th: Worship w/choir and distribution of Bibles to 2nd Graders and up (those not having received them the last few years)

Sunday, December 18th: Worship w/ Noisy Offering/ *SS Children's Christmas Program during service/ Logos Legos Cookie Walk*

Saturday, December 24th: Christmas Eve *Candlelight Service* at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 25th: Worship at 9:30 a.m.



Advent wreaths and candles are more than just pretty Christmas decorations. The arrangement of an evergreen wreath with four candles (five, if you choose to feature one for Christmas Day itself) has special meaning and is used to put our focus on the upcoming celebration of Jesus' birth.

An Advent wreath is circular and symbolizes everlasting life and unending love. The arrangement is used to put our attention on the meaning of Christmas. The candles put our focus on hope, faith, joy and peace. A new candle is lit each of the four Sundays before Christmas.

Advent is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for both the celebration of the Nativity of Christ at Christmas and the return of Christ at the Second Coming.