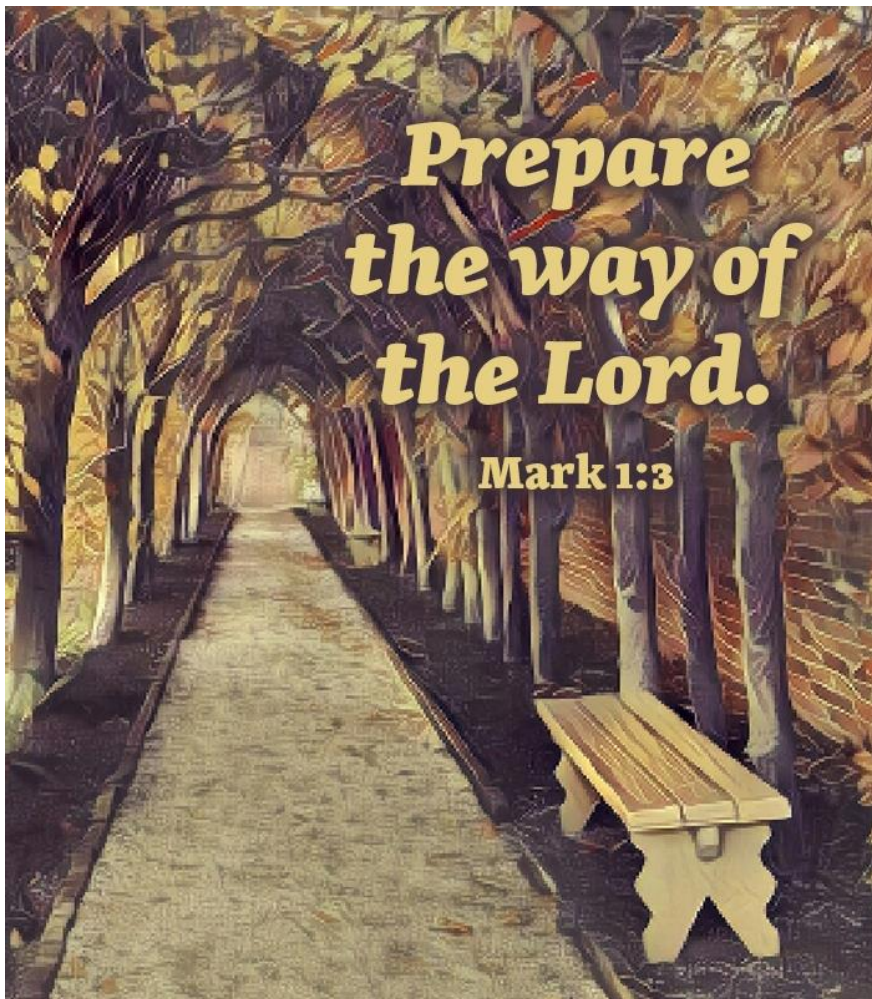


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## Gathering

*God calls and gathers believers through the Holy Spirit, and in this worship service we hear the Word of God and respond as His people in prayer and praise. We begin our service sharing the news of the congregation and then join in reflection to prepare for worship. The invocation (2 Corinthians 13) calls God to be present with us. In the Kyrie, we greet our Lord and ask for his mercy and then join in a hymn of praise and thanksgiving. Finally, we offer a prayer of the day to mark the time of the year and other special concerns of the church.*

## Greeting & Announcements

### CONFESSION OF SIN

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**C: Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. The Almighty and merciful God grant unto you, that are penitent, pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

# 633 Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn

1 A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, for  
 2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -  
 3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when  
 4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though

G Am<sup>7</sup> G C D

an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for  
 man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is  
 all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so  
 dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall

G C Am<sup>7</sup> D<sup>7</sup> G Am<sup>7</sup>

soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.  
 qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;  
 qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.  
 crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.

G C D G Am<sup>7</sup> D C G

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -  
 mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul, and hymns of lov - ing -  
 Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in  
 Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less

Chords: D, G, D, Em, Am, D

geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and  
 kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to  
 won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and  
 sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and

Chords: Em, D<sup>7</sup>, G, C, B<sup>7</sup>, Em

lives now in - side us for ev - er.  
 shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.  
 weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.  
 bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Chords: Am<sup>7</sup>, D<sup>7</sup>, G, C, G

Pastor: 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.

### *Kyrie*



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

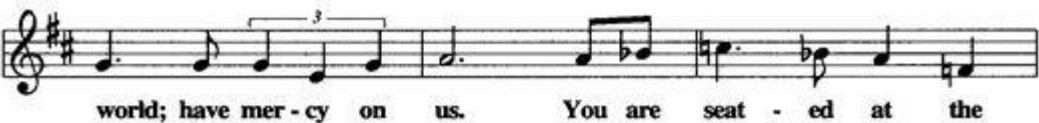
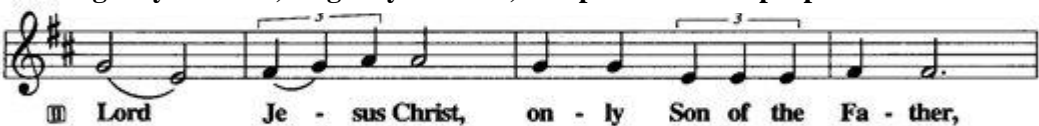
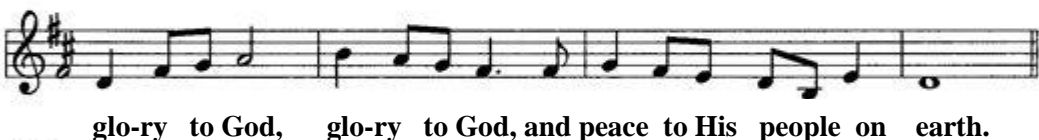
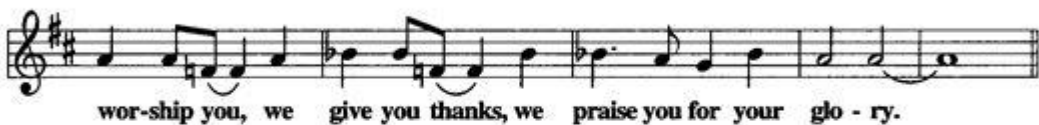
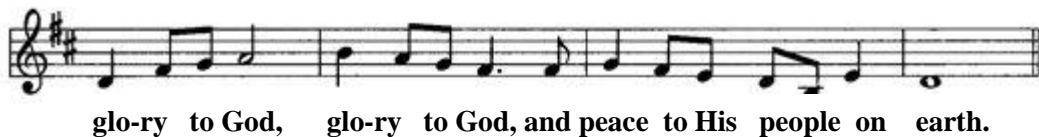
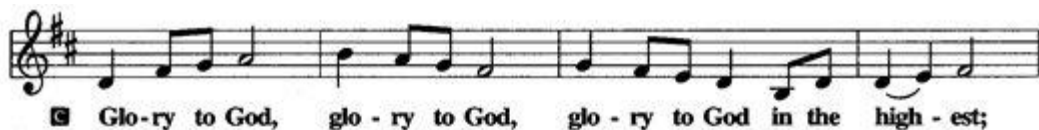


**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

### *Hymn of Praise*





☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to His people on earth.



☐ For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



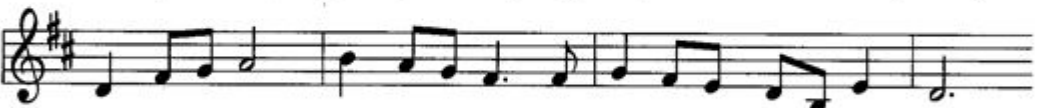
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to His people on earth.



and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of your only-begotten Son, that by his coming we may be enabled to serve you with pure minds; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## **Lighting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent Candle**

### **Isaiah 40:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. <sup>2</sup>Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. <sup>3</sup>A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. <sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. <sup>5</sup>And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." <sup>6</sup>A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. <sup>7</sup>The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the Lord blows on it; surely the people are grass. <sup>8</sup>The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. <sup>9</sup>Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" <sup>10</sup>Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. <sup>11</sup>He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

P: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

## Psalm 85

<sup>1</sup>You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup>**You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.**

<sup>3</sup>You have withdrawn all your fury and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

<sup>4</sup>**Restore us then, O God our Savior; let your anger depart from us.**

<sup>5</sup>Will you be displeased with us forever? Will you prolong your anger from age to age?

<sup>6</sup>**Will you not give us life again, that your people may rejoice in you?**

<sup>7</sup>Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

<sup>8</sup>**I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

<sup>9</sup>Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

<sup>10</sup>**Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

<sup>11</sup>Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

<sup>12</sup>**The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.**

<sup>13</sup>Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

## Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

<sup>8</sup>Do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. <sup>10</sup>But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. <sup>11</sup>Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup>waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! <sup>13</sup>But according to his promise we are waiting for

new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. <sup>14</sup>Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

P: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

### *Gospel Verse*



The Gospel according to Mark 1:1-8

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. <sup>2</sup>As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, “Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way, <sup>3</sup>the voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,’” <sup>4</sup>John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord  
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## *The Sermon*

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## My Faith Looks Up to Thee

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a line of music. The first system contains four numbered verses. The second and third systems contain the main body of the hymn. The fourth system concludes the hymn with a final cadence in the piano part.

1 My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, Take all my  
My zeal in - spire; As thou hast died for me, Oh, may my  
Be thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's  
Shall o'er me roll; Blest Sav - ior, then, in love Fear and dis -

guilt a - way, Oh, let me from this day Be whol - ly thine!  
love to thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.  
trust re - move; Oh, bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887  
Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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### *Apostles' Creed*

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 Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen

### *The Prayers*

P: Lord, in Your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

### *Exhortation*

The Lord's Supper

**The Preface** (*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*)

P: Oh, may the good Lord be with you.

**C: And may the Lord be with you too.**

P: Lift your hearts to Him in praise.

**C: To the Lord our hearts we raise.**

P: Let us offer praises true.

**C: It is fitting so to do:**

Gratefully we sing

To the Lord, our King!

Pastor:

Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto you, Almighty God, eternal Lord, merciful Father! Long ago, you made us in your image; and though we shattered it, in your mercy you sent your Son to restore your image in us. Having suffered for us and died our death, he lives and reigns at your right hand. And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn ...

**The Sanctus** (*Angels We Have Heard on High*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of hosts, all praise be given!

All your glory fills the earth,

All your power fills the heavens!

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Blessed is the King who came,

Bringing love and life divine!

Blessed is the King who comes

In the bread and in the wine!

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

***Words of Institution***

**The Lord's Prayer** (*Hark! The Herald Angels*)

God our Father, God of fame,  
Hallow'd be your saving name;  
Everywhere your kingdom come,  
Far away and here at home;  
May we to your will comply  
As the angels do on high;  
Grant each day our daily bread,  
Thankful that by you we're fed,  
Thankful that our care you've planned;  
All we have is from your hand.

Grant that we, our sins forgiv'n,  
Follow in the way of heav'n;  
May we, even at our worst,  
Show forgiveness shown us first.  
Guard us from the tempting devil,  
And deliver us from evil,  
Yours the kingdom, so sing we,  
Pow'r and glory ever be  
Unto you while ages run.  
Yea, amen! So be it done!

**The Agnus Dei** (*Once in Royal David's City*)

Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer,  
Mercy to your people give.  
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer,  
May we in your mercy live.  
Lamb of God, we all implore:  
Grant us peace forevermore.

**Distribution of the Lord's Supper**

**Communion Policy:** We believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine. All the baptized who understand they are sinners in need of forgiveness and who believe, as Christ's words clearly state, "This *is* my body", "this *is* my blood", and understand that Christ offered himself as a sacrifice for sin *once for all* – as his words say; "*for you*, for the forgiveness of sin" – are welcome to the Lord's Table.

**Those who have not yet received instruction are welcome to come forward for a blessing.**

### **The Nunc Dimittis** (*Away in a Manger*)

Lord, now in your mercy your servants release  
As your Word has promised. Oh, grant us your peace.  
Our eyes your salvation and mercy behold,  
Prepared for the nations, as prophets foretold.

A Light to the Gentiles, by whom they now see  
The glory of Isr'el, the Promised One he  
Who lives now and ever, the heaven's bright Son,  
With Father and Spirit eternally one.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this your salutary gift; and we ask you in your mercy to strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ; your dear Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen



**The Benediction** (*O Little Town of Bethlehem*)

*Pastor:* Now may the good Lord bless and keep,  
His love in you increase;  
Lift up His face with shining grace,  
And grant eternal peace.  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
Eternal One-in-Three.  
Be thanks and praise through all our days  
And to eternity!

## My Lord, What a Morning

*Refrain*  
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My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

F B<sup>b</sup> C<sup>7</sup> Dm B<sup>b</sup> F C<sup>7</sup> F

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

F F B<sup>b</sup> F C F C

1 You'll hear the trum-pet sound,  
2 You'll hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der-ground,  
3 You'll hear the Chris-tian shout,

F Dm B<sup>b</sup> C Dm B<sup>b</sup> F C<sup>7</sup> F *Refrain*

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

## Dismissal

### Prayer Concerns:

JJ Schwarz, Nell Helmcamp, Melvin Eilers, Jr., Earnest Scherp, Christian Doll, Troy Mauldin, Harold Kreuger, Stephanie Krueger Hamann, Christy Wells, Ruth Schwartz, Debbie Tiemann, Travis Tiemann, Neil Muxworthy, Ruth Heitman, Craig Smith, Ann Kunze, Fred Hartley, Melanie Bartek, Harriet Fischer, Roberta Stegemoller, Caroline Martin, Jennifer Heubner, Marci Kirscht, Ruth Wossilus, Ethel Schoen, Marilyn Weaver, Gladys Struempler, Julia Pax, Victor & Elnora Limmer