



Hope Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod
Shawnee, Kansas



*** The Nativity of Our Lord ***

*** Christmas Eve ***

*** December 24, A. D. 2022 † 4:00 & 6:30 P.M. ***

*** Service of Lessons & Carols ***

PRELUDE

- See amid the Winter's Snow* Douglas Niedt.....Piano
- What Child Is This*.....Peter Crisafulli..... Flute and Harpsichord
- Sussex Carol*arr. Jason W. Krug..... Bell Choir
- Silent Night* John Ferguson..... Choir, Bell Choir, and Flute
- In dulci jubilo* Michael Praetorius Recorder Ensemble
- A Nativity Celebration*.....arr. William E. Gross..... Bell Choir
- A Child Is Born in Bethlehem*..... Samuel ScheidtChoir

A Child is born in Bethlehem, Alleluia, the joy of all Jerusalem. Alleluia!
The Child that in the manger lies, Alleluia, forever reigns above the skies. Alleluia!
As to the flesh He is our kin, Alleluia, and yet unlike us as to sin. Alleluia!
Praise to the Holy Trinity, Alleluia, from now unto eternity! Alleluia!

(Puer natus in Bethlehem, Latin folk hymn, 13th c.; tr. Christopher J. Neuendorf, 2014)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.....Marshall McDonald and Steven Sharp Nelson.....Cello and Piano

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Hymn 379

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

CHRISTMAS PSALM VERSICLES

Psalms 98:2; 110:1–4 (adapt.)

- P** The LORD has made known His Salvation;
- C** His Righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.
- P** The LORD said to my Lord:
- C** “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.”
- P** The LORD shall send the sceptre of Your strength out of Zion.
- C** Rule in the midst of Your enemies!
- P** Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power;
- C** In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth.
- P** The LORD has sworn and will not relent,
- C** “You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.”
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** The LORD has made known His Salvation;
- C** His Righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with your spirit.**

P Let us pray:

O God, as You make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, grant that, as we joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold Him when He comes to be our Judge; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:8-15

⁸And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

⁹Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?"

¹⁰So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

¹¹And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?"

¹²Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

¹³And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴So the LORD God said to the serpent:

"Because you have done this,
You are cursed more than all cattle,
And more than every beast of the field;
On your belly you shall go,
And you shall eat dust All the days of your life.

¹⁵ And I will put enmity Between you and the woman,
And between your seed and her Seed;
He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Sing the Songs of Bethlehem

K. Lee Scott

Choir and Congregation

On p. 3 – sts. 1-3: Choir; st. 4: All



Tree of Life

Sing the Songs of Bethlehem

K. Lee Scott, ASCAP
Based on *SCOTSMAN*
by K. Lee Scott

Timothy Dudley-Smith



Choir: 1. Where do Christ - mas songs be - gin? By the sta - ble
Choir: 2. Who is this, whose hu - man birth Here pro - claims Him
Choir: 3. On - ly love can an - swer why He should come to
All: 4. Praise we then, in Christ - mas songs, Him to whom all



of an inn Where the song of hosts on high
child of earth? He it is who formed the skies,
grieve and die, Share on earth our pain and loss,
praise be - longs. Hear the an - gel host re - ply,



Min - gled with a ba - by's cry. There, for joy and
Saw the new - made stars a - rise: Life im - mor - tal,
Bear for us the bit - ter cross. Love is come to
"Glo - ry be to God on high, Joy and peace to



won - der, smiled Man and maid and ho - ly Child. Christ - mas
light di - vine, Blink - ing in the can - dle - shine; Born our
seek and save, Life to mas - ter death and grave, So in
mor - tals giv'n, Peace on earth and peace with heav'n!" Join we



songs be - gin with them: Sing the songs of Beth - le - hem!
dark - ness to dis - pel, God with us, Em - man - u - el!
Christ is all re - stored, Ris - en and re - deem - ing Lord!
now, as one with them: Sing the songs of Beth - le - hem.

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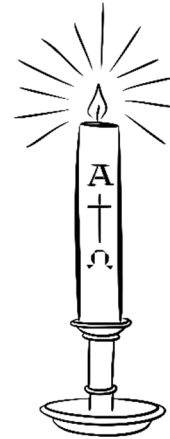
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SECOND LESSON

Isaiah 7:14; 9:2-3, 6-7

^{7:14}“Therefore the LORD Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.” ...

- ^{9:2} The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light;
Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death,
Upon them a light has shined.
- ³ You have multiplied the nation And increased its joy;
They rejoice before You According to the joy of harvest,
As men rejoice when they divide the spoil. ...
- ⁶ For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- ⁷ Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end,
Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom,
To order it and establish it with judgment and justice
From that time forward, even forever.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.



L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

The People That in Darkness Sat

Hymn 412

△ *Stand for the doxology*

THIRD LESSON

Ezekiel 17:22-24



²²Thus says the Lord GOD: “I will take also one of the highest branches of the high cedar and set it out. I will crop off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and will plant it on a high and prominent mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it; and it will bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a majestic cedar. Under it will dwell birds of every sort; in the shadow of its branches they will dwell. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the LORD, have brought down the high tree and exalted the low tree, dried up the green tree and made the dry tree flourish; I, the LORD, have spoken and have done it.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Joy to the World

Hymn 387

FOURTH LESSON

Micah 5:2-5a

- ² “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah,
Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel,
Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting.”
- ³ Therefore He shall give them up, Until the time that she who is in labor has given birth;
Then the remnant of His brethren Shall return to the children of Israel.
- ⁴ And He shall stand and feed His flock In the strength of the LORD,
In the majesty of the name of the LORD His God; And they shall abide,
For now He shall be great To the ends of the earth;
- ⁵ And this One shall be peace.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Hymn 361

FIFTH LESSON

Haggai 2:1-9

¹In the seventh month, on the twenty-first of the month, the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet, saying: ²“Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying: ³“Who is left among you who saw this temple in its former glory? And how do you see it now? In comparison with it, is this not in your eyes as nothing? ⁴Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,” says the LORD; ‘and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,’ says the LORD, ‘and work; for I am with you,’ says the LORD of hosts. ⁵“According to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!”

⁶“For thus says the LORD of hosts: ‘Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; ⁷and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,’ says the LORD of hosts. ⁸“The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,” says the LORD of hosts. ⁹“The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,” says the LORD of hosts. ‘And in this place I will give peace,’ says the LORD of hosts.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Hymn 367

△ *Stand for the doxology*

SIXTH LESSON

Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. ²⁰But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. ²¹And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”

²²So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: ²³“Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.”

²⁴Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, ²⁵and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sit.

ANTHEM

A Christmas Lullaby

arr. Michael Helman

Bell Choir

SEVENTH LESSON

Luke 2:1-14 (KJV)

¹And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. ²(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) ³And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. ⁴And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) ⁵to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

⁶And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. ⁷And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.



⁸And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. ¹⁰And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. ¹²And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, ¹⁴Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Away in a Manger

Hymn 364

EIGHTH LESSON

Luke 2:15-20 (KJV)

¹⁵And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. ¹⁶And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. ¹⁷And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. ¹⁸And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. ¹⁹But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Angels We Have Heard on High

Hymn 368

NINTH LESSON

1 John 4:7-16

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

¹²No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. ¹³By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. ¹⁵Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. ¹⁶And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Silent Night, Holy Night

Hymn 363

OFFERING

Joy to the World

arr. Valerie W. Stephenson

Bell Choir

PRAYERS ✕ LORD'S PRAYER — Stand

Each Prayer concludes:

P ... now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The grace of our Lord ✕ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.



HYMN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hymn 380

POSTLUDE

In dulci jubilo

BWV 729

J. S. Bach

Service Leaders

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Josh Fratzel (4:00)

Cohen Houseman (6:30)

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Grayson Fugett + Brogan Fugett (4:00)

Peter Turrel (6:30)



Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will toward men

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