

Welcome to Glory Lutheran Church



Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

Reaching Up... Reaching Out... Reaching In...

Gathering Songs

Even So, Lord Jesus Come

Even so, Lord Jesus come,
O divine and glorious Son.
Though we live as your body here on earth,
even so, Lord Jesus come.

Holy Father, sovereign Lord,
Your creation's one adored.
By your hand we receive your majesty.
Even so, Lord Jesus come.

Holy Spirit, breath of life,
light a path through darkest night.
In your care we confess our deepest sigh.
Even so, Lord Jesus come.

Even so, Lord Jesus come,
O divine and glorious Son.
Though we live as your body here on earth,
even so, Lord Jesus come.

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Prepare Our Hearts

Prepare our hearts to worship You
– the Ever Faithful, Ever True.
Forgive our sins and make us new.
Prepare our hearts to worship You.

Prepare our hearts for holy ground.
Let our defenses tumble down.
Come do what only You can do:
Prepare our hearts to worship You.

David Moffitt and Sue C. Smith
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Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Stir up the wills of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that, transformed by grace, we may walk in your way; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Advent Litany and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Litany readers and candle lighter:

Brielle and Anikah Woodrow

Song - O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *verse 1*

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Litany

L1: At every beginning there is a yearning for the one who is coming. O Emmanuel,

C: Open us up to your coming.

L2: We gather together to allow our deeply held hopes to be reshaped by God's promises. O Emmanuel,

C: Open us up to your coming.

L1: We wait for the day when God will make for us a future that is no longer predicated on our fear. O Emmanuel,

C: Open us up to your coming.

L2: We find a new receptivity within us that desires God's will over our own will and relies on God's justice and mercy to accomplish it. O Emmanuel,

C: Open us up to your coming.

L1: Jesus, we welcome your presence now with the lighting of these candles, whose flames bring warmth to winter and fill this place with the glow of hope.

C: Amen.

Three candles are lit.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *verse 4*

O come, O Branch of Jesse, free
your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save,
and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.

Sharing of the Peace

Please take time to say "Peace be with you" as directed.

Children's Talk

First Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-10

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm - Worship Choir: Song of Mary

Based on Luke 1: 46-55

Words and Music by Faye Lopez and Patricia Mock

Violin: Callum Mitchell

*My soul exalts the Lord, my God, and my spirit rejoices in praise to
God my Savior. For He has chosen me, the handmaid of the Lord.*

Age to age, generations will call me bless'd, (Magnify, O magnify,)

For the favor the Mighty One has shown to His servant,

For He has honored me, the bondslave of the Lord.

*In His goodness, His kind compassion, He sends the Promised
One the vow to pay.*

*In remembrance of His great mercy, The Holy One has done great
things for me.*

O magnify His holy name.

*My soul magnifies the Lord, my God, and my heart rejoices in
praise to God, my Savior.*

For He has chosen me, the bondslave of the Lord. Amen.

Second Lesson: James 5:7-10

L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Based on VENI EMMANUEL
Stephen Pishner

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel Lesson: Matthew 11:2-11

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

SERMON



Hymn of the Day - All Earth is Hopeful



1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!
2 Peo - ple of Is - rael, you heard the proph - et tell:
3 Moun - tains and val - leys will have to be pre - pared;



Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the
"A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -
new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most



la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how
ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -
here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All



God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.
stores hope and cour - age to chil - dren of this earth.
clear ev - 'ry gate - way, in haste, come out in haste!

Text: Alberto Taulé, b. 1932; tr. Madeleine Forell Marshall, b. 1946

Music: TODA LA TIERRA, Alberto Taulé

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Sacrament of Baptism

Kane Ander Cosgrove

Please turn to the blue Baptism insert.

You Belong to Christ



You be-long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.



You be-long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



You be-long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.

Text: *Holy Baptism and Related Rites, Renewing Worship 3*

Music: Ralph C. Sappington, b. 1952

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Offering

As you leave, you may place your offering onto the plate located at the back of the church or use the online options available on our website.

Offertory Prayer

Eternal God,
you make the desert bloom
and send springs of water to thirsty ground.
Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money,
and make us messengers of your mercy and love
for all in need of your healing and justice.
We ask this through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Prayers

Prayer Response:

P: God in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right...

P: ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever and ever.**

Amen

Holy Communion

Christ invites us all and wants you to be included. Extra care has been taken to ensure that all communion elements are handled in a sanitary manner. The pastor and communion assistants will wear masks and have clean, sanitized hands.

Please approach the altar from the centre aisle. Extend your hands, the bread will be dropped into your open hands. Then, proceed to the left or right to accept the wine/grape juice from the tray.*

Those wishing to be included without having the bread and wine may come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this by folding your arms.

**All wafers and bread are gluten free.*



Communion Songs - Come Now, O Prince of Peace

O - so - sŏ o - so - sŏ, pyong - hwa - ũi - im - gŭm

1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
 2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
 3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
 4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.

u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sŏ.

Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

Text: Geonyong Lee, b. 1947; tr. Marion Pope

Music: Geonyong Lee, b. 1947

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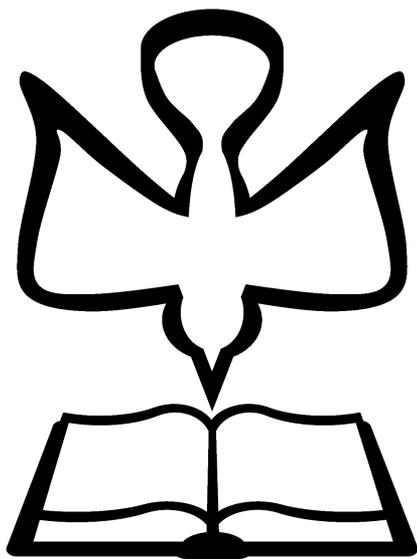
Holy Is His Name

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
and my spirit exalts in God my Saviour.
For He has looked with mercy on my lowliness,
and my name will be forever exalted.
For the mighty God has done great things for me,
and His mercy will reach from age to age.
And ho - ly, ho - ly; Holy is His name.

He has mercy in ev'ry generation,
He has revealed His power and His glory.
He has cast down the mighty in their arrogance,
and has lifted up the meek and the lowly.
He has come to help His servant Israel,
He remembers His promise to our fathers.
And ho - ly, ho - ly; Holy is His name.

And ho - ly, ho - ly; Holy is His name.

Words and Music by John Michael Talbot
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Wait for the Lord

Refrain:

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Congregation: Refrain (sing twice)

Leader: Prepare the way for the Lord, Make a straight path for God.

C: Refrain

L: The glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

C: Refrain

L: All the earth will see the Lord.

C: Refrain

L: Rejoice in the Lord always. God is at hand.

C: Refrain

Text: Taizé Community

Music: WAIT FOR THE LORD, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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Post-Communion Prayer

Faithful God,
in this meal you have
remembered your mercy,
bringing heaven to earth
in the body and blood of Christ.

As we wait for the day
when all your promises will be fulfilled,
sustain us and strengthen us
by this holy mystery.

Guide us toward your promised future,
coming to birth in Jesus Christ
our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

Announcements



Prayer Partners
Today (and next week) those who submitted
their name will draw the name of
their prayer partner for the coming year.

~Donna Dawson

Sending Song - Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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Dismissal

Say “hello” to Glory’s new Service Volunteer Co-Organizers
Glenda Nelson & Esther Madsen



A TREMEMNDOUS THANK YOU FROM COUNCIL

Thank you to each and everyone of you in the congregation! Your energy and enthusiasm to share your time and talents is deeply appreciated. There are many behind the scenes jobs like watering the flowers, filling the communion cups, wiping down the cry room windows and taking church garbage to your own black bins that make a big difference. Other “hidden” volunteer jobs that don’t go unnoticed are the Stephen Ministry visitors, inner city sandwich makers, potato diggers , bottle recyclers, food bank team and eye- glasses collectors. The weekly volunteers that read scripture, do the sound & audio visuals, sing, usher, greet, teach Sunday School and make coffee are all a part of this beautiful congregation partnership.

Please know that all of you are seen and prayed for!

Pray, too, for Glenda & Esther as they take on the role of reaching out for service volunteers to continue making our services welcoming and meaningful.

Sincerely, Church Council

The Power of Partnership

Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. — Philippians 1:4-5

Partnership is the ability to accomplish more together than apart. It recognizes that a team is stronger than a lone individual. A group committed to each other will help the struggling and the fallen.

Mother Teresa said, "You can do what I cannot do. I can do what you cannot do. Together, we can do great things."

Partnership is the remarkable ability of two or more people working together to accomplish more than what each could do alone.

This truth is a reminder to God's people that when we are working together in harmony, the talents and gifts of the body make a stronger unit.

Our church needs everyone participating; when this happens the strength of the body is solidified and the advancement of the gospel is intensified.

We need each other.

The "Support" section in our congregation's Constitution reads like this. *This congregation in faithfulness to God shall provide leadership, organizational structures, facilities and funds to enable fulfillment of its functions. The congregation shall strive to maintain effective stewardship practices, evaluate regularly the total life and ministry of the congregation, and recruit, equip and support members of the congregation to provide for these activities.*

February 2023 marks the time of year when Glory has its AGM. It is the time when a new Church Council is constituted. It is a time when Congregational committees, and it's people are celebrated and our church goes into a new time of "Support"....aka "partnership"

Over the next two months, Donna Dawson and Rhonda Berg, your Council Nominations Committee, are excited to meet with those of you who feel the calling to be a part of Glory's church council. Take time to pray and consider how you may be a part of this ministry.

We need each other in this partnership.



Thank You

to those who made contributions to this week's bulletin and to members who assisted in today's service.

Worship Planners, Altar Guild, Musicians, AV Techs,

Greeter:	Ken Ference
Ushers:	Wayne & Linda Schmidt
Reader:	Amalia Kalerantes & Rita Spain
Advent Readers/ Candle Lighter:	Brielle and Anikah Woodrow
Communion Assistants:	Lynnette Woodrow
Acolyte:	Maria Takenaka
Coffee Setup/Cleanup:	Rose Schlegl & Rita Spain
Church Lock-Up:	Sebastian Montoya

To volunteer, please sign up on the sheet on the easel in the Narthex.

Events this week: Praise Band - Tuesday 7:00pm
Council Meeting - Wednesday 6:30pm
Confirmation - Thursday 6:30pm
Choir - Thursday 7:30pm

Attendance & Offering:

	Online	In-Person	Offering
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Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 7:10-16, Psalm 80, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25

The service this morning will be both recorded and live streamed.
This can be accessed on our website, glorylutheran.ca.

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