

Welcome to Glory Lutheran Church



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2022

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

Gathering Songs

Emmanuel w/ Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn

Come, come, Emmanuel!
Son of God, appear.
Heaven and earth, rejoice!
Salvation is drawing near.
Salvation is drawing near.
(repeat)

Awake, awake, and greet the new morn,
for angels herald its dawning.
Sing out your joy, for soon he is born,
behold! the Child of our longing.
Come as a baby weak and poor,
to bring all hearts together,
he opens wide the heav'nly door
and lives now inside us forever.

To us, to all in sorrow and fear,
Emmanuel comes a singing,
his humble song is quiet and near,
yet fills the earth with its ringing.
Music to heal the broken soul
and hymns of loving kindness,
the thunder of his anthems roll
to shatter all hatred and blindness.

Emmanuel; Words by: John Mason Neale and Steve Angrisano
Music by: Steve Angrisano
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Awake, Awake and Greet the New Morn;
Text and Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Shine On Us

Lord, let Your light,
light of Your face shine on us.
Lord, let Your light,
light of Your face shine on us.
That we may be saved, that we may have life;
To find our way in the darkest night,
let Your light shine on us.

Lord, let Your grace,
grace from Your hand fall on us.
Lord, let Your grace,
grace from Your hand fall on us
That we may be saved,
that we may have life;
To find our way in the darkest night
let Your grace fall on us.

Lord, let Your love,
love with no end come over us.
Lord, let Your love,
love with no end come over us.
That we may be saved,
that we may have life;
To find our way in the darkest night,
let Your love come over us,
let Your light shine on us.

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Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Advent Litany and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Litany readers and candle lighter:
Sebastian & Dani Montoya*

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: Surprise us by your coming.

L2: We gather together to let God's good news reorient our
lives. O Emmanuel,

C: Surprise us by your coming.

L1: We wait for the day when all the world will see the sign
that God is with us. O Emmanuel,

C: Surprise us by your coming.

L2: We are shocked by how God comes close, even at this
very moment. O Emmanuel,

C: Surprise us by 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.

Four candles are lit.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *verse 5*

O come, O Key of David, come,
and open wide our heav'nly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

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

Sharing of the Peace

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

Worship Choir: Angels are Making Their Rounds

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

*Fear not, Zechariah, for the Lord has heard your prayer.
Elizabeth will bear a son.*

*Hail, O blessed one, you have found favor with God. O blessed
one, you have found favor with God.*

*Fear not, Joseph, go and take Mary to be your wife, for she
carries a holy Child.*

*Unto you is born a Savior, glory to God and peace on earth, for
now the Lord is with you.*

*Angels are making their rounds. O my, what a beautiful sound.
Heaven's glory comes down when angels are making their
rounds.*

Children's Talk

First Lesson: Isaiah 7:10-16

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

Psalm 80

L: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a
flock! You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

**C: before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might, and come to save us!**

L: Restore us, O God; let your face shine,
that we may be saved.

**C: O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?**

L: You have fed them with the bread of tears,
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

**C: You make us the scorn of our neighbors;
our enemies laugh among themselves.**

L: Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

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C: You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.

L: You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

C: The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;

L: it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River.

C: Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

L: The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.

C: Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and
see; have regard for this vine,

L: the stock that your right hand planted.

C: They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down;
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

L: But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.

C: Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.

L: Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Second Lesson: Romans 1:1-7

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

Gospel Acclamation

Based on VENI EMMANUEL
Stephen Pishner



Gospel Lesson: Matthew 1:18-25
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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

SERMON

Hymn of the Day - The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came,
2 "For know a bless - ed moth - er thou shalt be,
3 Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head;
4 Of her, Em-man - u - el, the Christ, was born



with wings as drift - ed snow, with eyes as flame:
all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee;
"To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said.
in Beth - le - hem all on a Christ - mas morn,



"All hail to thee, O low - ly maid - en Mar - y,
thy son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
"My soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy God's ho - ly name."
and Chris-tian folk through-out the world will ev - er say:



most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."
most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."
Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy,
"Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy."
Glo - ri - a!

Text: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924
Music: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE, Basque carol

Introduction and Blessing of Youth Worker Elizabeth DeCorby

Confession of Faith - Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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 Song - God With Us

Who are we that You would be mindful of us?
What do You see that's worth looking our way?

We are free in ways that we never should be:
Sweet release from the grip of these chains.
Like hinges straining from the weight,
my heart no longer can keep from singing.

(Chorus)

**All that is within me cries for You alone; Be glorified.
Emmanuel, God with us.
My heart sings a brand-new song.
The debt is paid, these chains are gone.
Emmanuel, God with us.**

Lord, You know our hearts don't deserve Your glory.
Still, You show a love we cannot afford.
Like hinges straining from the weight,
my heart no longer can keep from singing.

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

Such a tiny offering -- compared to Calvary;
Nevertheless, we lay it at Your feet.

(Repeat)

Chorus

Bart Millard, Barry Graul, Jim Bryson, Nathan Cochran, Mike Scheuchzer and Robby Shaffer
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Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through
your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and
what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your
love, through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers

Prayer Response:

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

The Lord's Prayer

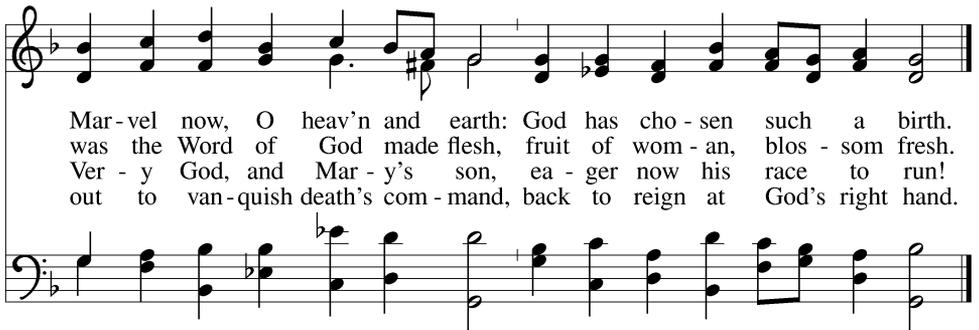
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

BLESSING / Announcements

Sending Song - Saviour of the Nations, Come



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; vir - gin's son, make here your home.
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, but the mys - tic Breath of God,
3 Won - drous birth—oh, won - drous child—from his throne, a vir - gin mild!
4 From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, back to God his path - way leads;



Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth: God has cho - sen such a birth.
was the Word of God made flesh, fruit of wom - an, blos - som fresh.
Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
out to van - quish death's com - mand, back to reign at God's right hand.

5 Now your manger, shining bright,
hallows night with newborn light.
Night cannot this light subdue;
let our faith shine ever new.

6 Praise we sing to Christ the Lord,
virgin's son, incarnate Word!
To the holy Trinity
praise we sing eternally!

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. hymnal version
Music: NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND, J. Walter, *Geistliche Gesangbüchlein*, 1524
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Dismissal



A big thank you to Marjorie, Myrna and their team of Sirkka, Joyce, Jessica, Barb, Donna, Maggie, Kwai-Lan and Henry who helped with decorating the narthex and the sanctuary so festively. It is beautiful!



**Prayer Partners
Today, those who submitted their name
will draw the name of their prayer
partner for the coming year,
if they didn't draw last week.**

~Donna Dawson



CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICES

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Saturday, December 24, 4:00 pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Communion

Saturday, December 24, 7:00 pm

December 25 - Christmas Day

Sunday Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 am

God's blessings to all this Advent Season!

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,

Greeters:	Henry & Myrna Zilm
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Church Lock-Up:	Lynn Spain

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

Events this week

Praise Band - Tuesday 7:00pm

Confirmation - Thursday 6:30pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - Saturday 4:00pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Communion - Saturday 7:00pm

Attendance & Offering:

	Online	In-Person	Offering
December 11	36	103	***will be reported next week***

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 52: 7-10, Psalm 98, Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12), John 1:1-14

The service this morning will be both recorded and live streamed.

This can be accessed on our website, glorylutheran.ca.

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