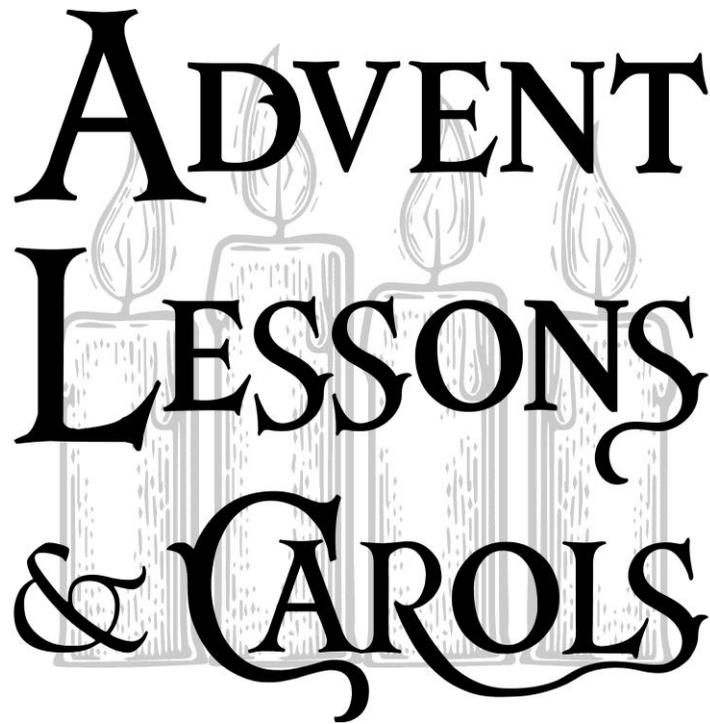


Midweek Advent Worship



**ADVENT
LESSONS
& CAROLS**

“Advent Angels”

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December 4, 2019 7:00 p.m.

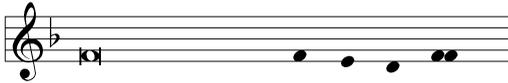
Evening Prayer

[Service of Light]

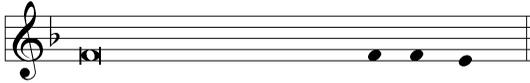
*Personal Prayers for worship can be found on
pages 10 & 11 in the front of the hymnal*

+ The Service of Light +

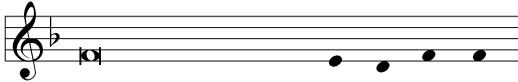
Stand



M: Jesus Christ is the light of the world,



C: the light no darkness can o - ver - come.



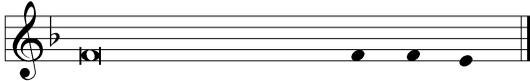
M: Stay with us, Lord, for it is eve-ning,



C: and the day is almost o - ver.



M: Be our light and scat - ter the dark-ness,



C: and hear our evening hymn of praise.

Candles may be lit as this hymn is sung.



1 Oh, come, oh, come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
 2 Oh, come, O Root of Jes - se, free Your own from Sa - tan's
 3 Oh, come, O Day-spring from on high, And cheer us by your
 4 Oh, come, O Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen wide our



Is - ra - el That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell your peo - ple save,
 draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heav'n - ly home. Make safe the way that leads on high,



Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 And bring them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re-joice! Re-joice!
 And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
 And close the path to mis - er - y.



Em - man - u - el Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 12th century, abr.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt.
 Tune: VENI, EMMANUEL (LM with Refrain) Plainsong melody, 15th century, alt.

+ Exhortation and Prayer +

M Dear people of God, in the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger.

Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy child, Jesus, and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise.

But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world,
for peace and justice on earth,
for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died,
for the people in our country and in this city,
and especially for the brothers and sisters in our synod and in our own congregation.

And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name
the poor and helpless,
the cold, the hungry, and the oppressed,
the sick and those who mourn,
the lonely and unloved, and
the aged and the little children
as well as all those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, let us praise God for the faith of Mary, mother of our Lord,
and that whole multitude which no one can number,
whose hope was in the Word made flesh,
and with whom, in Jesus, we are one forevermore.

To sum up all these petitions, let us pray as Christ himself taught us.

**C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

M The almighty God bless us with his grace, Christ give us the joys of everlasting life, and may the King of angels bring us all to the fellowship of the citizens above.

C Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:1-8

To God's people in exile, the prophet Isaiah announces good news: God is returning and bringing the exiles home.

CAROL

702 – Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The
 2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: Your
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It



King of kings is near! Let ev - 'ry hill and
 own e - ter - nal King! Palm branch - es strew be -
 greet your prom - ised King! Your King, yet ev - 'ry
 comes from heav'n a - bove. His rule is peace and



val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
 fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
 na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
 free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, Fore - told in
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall
 All lands, bow down be - fore him! All na - tions,
 So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness



sa - cred sto - ry:
 doubt as - sail you! Ho - san - na to the
 now a - dore him!
 so a - bound - ing:



Lord, For he ful - fills God's Word!

Text: F. M. Franzen, 1772-1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978. © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*; admin. Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Tune: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN (76 76 77 and Refrain) Swedish folk tune, 17th century

SECOND LESSON

Jeremiah 23:5,6

The prophet Jeremiah offers hope for a righteous branch, a just king who it yet to come.

CAROL

47 – Behold, a Branch Is Growing



1 Be - hold, a Branch is grow - ing Of
 2 I - sa - iah had fore - told it In
 3 The shep - herds heard the sto - ry Pro -
 4 This flow'r, so small and ten - der, With
 5 O Sav - ior, Child of Mar - y, Who



love - liest form and grace, As proph - ets sang, fore -
 words of prom - ise sure, And Mar - y's arms en -
 claimed by an - gels bright, How Christ, the Lord of
 fra - grance fills the air; His bright - ness ends the
 felt our hu - man woes, O Sav - ior, King of



know - ing; It springs from Jes - se's race And
 fold it, A vir - gin meek and pure. Through
 glo - ry, Was born on earth this night. To
 dark - ness That kept the earth in fear. True
 glo - ry, Who con - quered all our foes, Bring



bears one lit - tle flow'r In midst of cold - est
 God's e - ter - nal will This child to her is
 Beth - le - hem they sped And in the man - ger
 God and yet true man, He came to save his
 us at last, we pray, To the bright courts of



win - ter, At deep - est mid - night hour.
 giv - en At mid - night calm and still.
 found him, As an - gel her - alds said.
 peo - ple From earth's dark night of sin.
 heav - en And to the end - less day.

THIRD LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-12

To a nation weary of war; God will establish a king who will establish a reign of peace.

CAROL

26 – Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring



1 Je - sus came, the heav'ns a - dor - ing, Came with peace from
2 Je - sus comes a - gain in mer - cy When our hearts are
3 Je - sus comes to hearts re - joic - ing, Bring - ing news of
4 Je - sus comes on clouds tri - um - phant When the heav'ns shall



realms on high; Je - sus came to win re - demp - tion,
worn with care; Je - sus comes a - gain in an - swer
sins for - giv'n; Je - sus comes with words of glad - ness,
pass a - way. Je - sus comes a - gain in glo - ry;



Low - ly came on earth to die, Al - le - lu - ia!
To an ear - nest, heart - felt prayer, Al - le - lu - ia!
Lead - ing souls re - deemed to heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!
Let us, then, our hom - age pay, Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
Al - le - lu - ia! Comes to save us from de - spair.
Al - le - lu - ia! Hope to all the world is giv'n.
ev - er sing - ing Till the dawn of end - less day.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, abr., alt.

Tune: SIEH, HIER BIN ICH, EHRENKÖNIG (87 87 87) *Geistreiches Gesang-Buch*, Darmstadt, 1698.

+ Advent Meditation +

Matthew 1:18-25

Advent Angels: From Joseph's Perspective

+ Friendship Register and Gathering of Offerings +

FOURTH LESSON

Isaiah 35:1-6

The prophet Isaiah announces the renewal of the land and of God's people on the coming day of redemption.

CAROL

14 – Arise, O Christian People



1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre -
2 Pre - pare the way be - fore him; Pre -
3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God
4 Pre - pare my heart, Lord Je - sus; Turn



pare your - selves to - day. Pre - pare to greet the
pare for him the best. Cast out what would of -
rais - es up on high; Be - neath his feet in
not from me a - side, And help me to re -



Sav - ior, Who takes your sins a - way. To
fend him, This great, this heav'n - ly guest. Make
ter - ror The haugh - ty soul shall lie. The
ceive you This bless - ed Ad - vent - tide. From



us by grace a - lone The truth and
straight, make plain the way: The low - ly
heart sin - cere and right, That heeds God's
stall and man - ger low Come now to



light were giv - en; The prom - ised Lord from
val - leys rais - ing, The heights of pride a -
in - vi - ta - tion And makes true prep - a -
dwell with - in me; I'll sing your prais - es



heav - en To all the world is shown.
bas - ing, His path all e - ven lay.
ra - tion— It is the Lord's de - light.
glad - ly And forth your glo - ry show.

FIFTH LESSON

Haggai 2:6-9

CAROL

11 – Comfort, Comfort All My People



1 "Com - fort, com - fort all my peo - ple; Speak of peace,"
2 All their sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out
3 John the Bap - tist's voice is cry - ing In the des -
4 Straight - en out the crook - ed high - way; Make the rough -



so says our God. "Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness,
each dark mis - deed; All that well de - serve his an - ger
ert far and near, Call - ing peo - ple to re - pent - ance
er plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



Groan - ing from their sor - rows' load. Speak to all
He no more will see or heed. They have suf -
For the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn -
Read - y for his ho - ly reign. For the glo -



Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;
fered man - y a day; Now their griefs have passed a - way.
ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
ry of the Lord Now o'er earth is spread a - broad,



Tell them that their sins I cov - er,
God will change their ach - ing sad - ness
Let the val - leys rise to meet him
And all flesh shall see the to - ken



That their war - fare now is o - ver."
In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.
And the hills bow down to greet him.
That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

+ Sending +

Stand

PRAYER

M O God, you make us glad with the expectation of the coming of your one and only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant that we, who with joy receive him as our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he will come to be our judge, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part



ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen



your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry



peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

BLESSING

M The blessing of God Almighty—the Father, the Son, † and the Holy Spirit—be upon you and remain with you forever.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

7 – Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, And let your
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the
 3 You saints, who here in pa - tience Your cross and
 4 A - rise, De - sire of na - tions; O Je - sus,



lights ap - pear; The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing,
 Bride-groom near; Go forth, as he ap - proach - es,
 suf - f' rings bore, Shall live and reign for - ev - er
 now ap - pear, The Hope and Ex - pec - ta - tion



And dark - er night is near. The Bride - groom
 With al - le - lu - ias clear. The mar - riage
 When sor - row is no more. A - round the
 Of ev - 'ry Chris - tian here. With hearts and



is a - ris - ing And soon is draw - ing nigh. Up,
 feast is wait - ing; The gates wide o - pen stand. A -
 throne of glo - ry The Lamb you shall be - hold; In
 hands up - lift - ed We plead, O Lord, to see The



pray and watch and wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.
 rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The Bride-groom is at hand.
 tri - umph lay be - fore him Your shin - ing crowns of gold.
 day of earth's re - demp - tion That sets your peo - ple free.

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722, abr.; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907, alt.
 Tune: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG (76 76 D) *Hymnal and Order of Service*, Rock Island, 1901.

Be Seated

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2019

“O Come, Let Us Adore Him!”

December 7,8	Advent 2	Regular weekend schedule
December 11	Midweek Advent	7:00 p.m.
December 14,15	Advent 3	Regular weekend schedule
December 15	Calvary Christmas Concert	4:00 p.m.
December 18	Midweek Advent	7:00 p.m.
December 20	Children’s Christmas Service	7:00 p.m.
December 21,22	Advent 4	Regular weekend schedule
December 24	Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols	7:00 p.m.
	Christmas Eve Candlelight Compline	11:00 p.m.
December 25	Christmas Day Festival with the Lord’s Supper	9:30 a.m.
December 28,29	1 st Sunday after Christmas	Regular weekend schedule
December 31	New Year’s Eve with the Lord’s Supper	7:00 p.m.