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MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE GOD'S GLORY IN HIS PRIEST December 11, 2019

BELLS AND WELCOME

LEAD US TO YOUR LIGHT

The cantor introduces the refrain. Then the congregation repeats the refrain and sings it again as indicated.



Lord, we await your coming to our world; Bring us the gift of salvation. **Refrain**

Lord, you are hope and healing for our world; Come, now, and bring us your good news. **Refrain**

Come, O come, O come, Emmanuel; Come with us on earth here to dwell. **Refrain**

GREETING

M In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



M The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

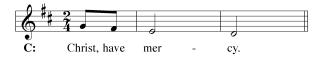


LORD, HAVE MERCY

- M The Lord Jesus comes to us and offers his grace and love. It is good for us to repent of our sins and to plead for his mercy.
- M Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom. Lord, have mercy.



M You come in Word and Sacrament to strengthen us in holiness. Christ, have mercy.



M You will come in glory with salvation for your people. Lord, have mercy.



M May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.



ABSOLUTION

- M The almighty God has been merciful to us and has sent his Son to die for all. For his sake, he forgives us our sins and calls us from darkness to his marvelous light. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

PRAYER

- M Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly that we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world. Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

LESSONS

Hebrews 10:1-14, Bible page 1211 John 10:1-11, Bible page 1075

M The Lord will come again in glory. The Spirit and the Church cry out: Come, Lord Jesus, come.

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The People that in Darkness Sat

Christmas Reveals God's Glorious Priest

- 1. How did it happen that we don't need a priest?
- 2. Israel needed a priest.
- 3. Christmas fills the position.

HYMN 26, VV. 1, 2

Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (3:30 pm) **Oh, Come, Oh, Come Emmanuel**, *Lutheran School Junior Choir* (*Grades* 5-8)

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray, O Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- M For the well-being of people everywhere, for the growth of your church in all the world, and for the strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we pray, O Lord:
- C Christ, have mercy.
- M For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- M For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord:
- C Lord, hear our prayer.
- M For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, for clothing and food, for health of body, mind, and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we pray to you, O Lord:
- C Lord, hear our prayer.
- M For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us your good news, whose souls are now at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:
- C Thanks be to God.
- M In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

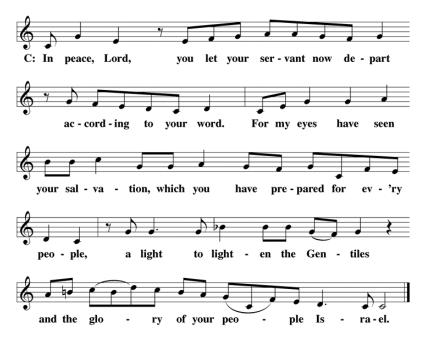
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PRAYER FOR PEACE

- M Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



Blessing





ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESIDING MINISTER Pastor Jeffrey Bonack

PIANIST Carol Nelson