



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Broadcast at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM

and KMAV 105.5 FM

Sunday, December 22, 2013

Fourth Sunday of Advent

(10:30am Praise Band)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
The Lord of Israel who comes to set us free,
The mighty savior who comes to show mercy,
The Dawn from on high who makes all things new.

Let us come before God in confession.

L: Almighty God,

C: You caused light to shine out of darkness in the advent of our Lord Jesus Christ. We confess our unwillingness to see the light and to walk in your ways. We have not always opened our eyes to the needs of others, and our feet have wandered from the paths of justice and peace. We ask that the spirit of Christ be born anew within us, that our hearts may be stirred to walk in your ways. Amen

L: Rejoice! Rejoice! For God is with us.

Emmanuel shall come to you, O People of God.

God is making all things new.

Christ will be born in your hearts again this Christmas.

Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

GATHERING HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

ELW 257 vs 1,2,7

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH



1.Hope, hope ___ hope - The light of ___ Christ is ___
 2.Peace, peace, ___ peace - The gift of ___ Christ is ___
 3.Joy, ___ joy, ___ joy - We praise You, Christ, with
 4.Love, love, ___ love - The heart of ___ Christ is ___



hope. In all our ___ dark - ness Christ is ___ shin - ing,
 peace. We walk with ___ God, our past for - giv - en,
 joy. Our peace, our ___ hope, our love and ___ treas - ure,
 love. On all who ___ come He pours His ___ pres - ence -



Lead - ing ___ up - ward, faith re - fin - ing. Hope, ___ hope, ___
 All in ___ Him is life and ___ heav - en, Peace, peace,
 High - est ___ call - ing, deep - est ___ pleaus - ure! Joy, ___ joy, ___
 Life and ___ love in ho - ly ___ es - sence. Love, ___ love, ___



hope - the ___ light of ___ Christ is ___ hope.
 peace - the ___ gift of ___ Christ is ___ peace.
 joy - We ___ praise You, ___ Christ, with ___ joy!
 love - The ___ heart of ___ Christ is ___ love.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray...

C 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.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-16

¹⁰Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, ¹¹Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. ¹²But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. ¹³Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? ¹⁴Therefore the LORD himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall

name him Immanuel. ¹⁵He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

PSALM: Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19

¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

²**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

³Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

⁴**O LORD God of hosts, how long will your anger fume when your people pray?**

⁵You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

⁶**You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

¹⁷**Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one you have made so strong for yourself.**

¹⁸And so will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your name.

¹⁹**Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON *Away in a Manger*

ELW 277

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The image shows two staves of musical notation for a Gospel Acclamation. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff with a large slur over the first six notes. The lyrics below the staff are: "Glo - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o;". The second staff starts with a 7 above the first measure, indicating a continuation of the melody. It also has a treble clef, one flat key signature, and 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "glo - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o." The piece ends with a double bar line.

GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18–25

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

²³"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." ²⁴When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn* ELW 242

HOLY BAPTISM *ELW p. 227*

PRAYER SONG ELW 262
Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Hear us, O God.
C **Your mercy is great.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Special Music: Randy Lemm Family

OFFERTORY *What Child Is This* ELW 296 vs 3
So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him. The King of
kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him. Raise, raise the song on high, the
virgin sings her lullaby; joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!

THE LORD'S PRAYER *ELW p. 154*

BLESSING

THREE BELLS

SENDING HYMN *Go Tell It on the Mountain* ELW 290

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We extend a special welcome to our visitors and ask that they fill out a Welcome card located in each pew and place it in the offering plate. We pray that you will be blessed and renewed by our worship experience today.

BAPTIZED TODAY, December 22, 2013 at the 10:30am service is Dylan James Grinde, son of Justin and Laura Grinde. Dylan was born December 1, 2013 in Fargo, North Dakota. Godparents are Katelin Grinde, Miranda Grinde, and Michael and Lauren Houglum.

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Chuck Jones

God's Healing Presence for...

Roger Mergenthal Mark Madsen Bonnie Spicer Pat Woods
Michelle Hams Singh Helen Woken Stacy Engel Tim Miller
Marsall Weibye Ben Brown Russell Flieth Jerry Boeddeker
Carroll Borke Arnie Gilbertson Ole Olson Ruth Siegert

(If you would like your name put on or taken off this list please contact Pastor Joe or Pastor Siri.)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:
Drew Nathan

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

ORGANIST: Karen Alfson

LECTORS: (8:30) Joy McSparron (10:30) Bob Hebl

GREETERS: (8:30) Ruth Siegert (10:30) Tim & Terry Lee

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Hunter Hennings, Cade Baesler
(10:30) June Berg, Tayah Beck

USHERS: (8:30) Ole & Marilyn Aarsvold, Norman & Marlene Oie, Vicki Madsen
(10:30) Todd & Marla Berge Family

ATTENDANCE: December 15, 2013: 8:30am – 82; 10:30am – 273
Dec. 18th Advent Service – 120

THE RADIO BROADCAST today is in memory of Gerald Olson, given by family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

W.O.W. BIBLE STUDY will NOT meet on December 23rd and December 30th, but will resume on Monday, January 6th at 9:00am. ~Senora Almquist, leader

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

1:30pm – Candlelight Service at the Nursing Home

3:30pm – Candlelight Service at OSLC

5:30pm – Candlelight Service at OSLC

Sunday, December 29 there will be ONE worship service at 9:30am with coffee/fellowship following.

The Youth Group is delivering the Angel Tree gifts to the Nursing Home along with caroling between services today. Meet in the courtyard.

Radio Broadcast schedule: The 8:30am Our Savior's worship service is broadcast live at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM **and** KMAV 105.5 FM. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday radio broadcast, the cost is \$65.

CELL PHONE NUMBERS: Pastor Joe - 701-430-3787; Pastor Siri - 701-430-3879

ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES are available for anyone to use each Sunday. They are located on the podium where the guest book is sitting in the narthex. Please try one out.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Sunday, December 22

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Youth-Nursing Home
10:30am Worship Service

Monday, December 23

Meal Delivery Week-Circle #3
9:00am Steeple Talk news due for Jan.

Tuesday, December 24

7:00am Breakfast Bible Study (Country Hearth)
1:30pm Nursing Home Service
3:30pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
5:30pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 29

9:30am Worship Service
10:30am Coffee/Fellowship

OUR SAVIOR' S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 26, 2014 at 12:30pm

(following a potluck meal at 11:30am)

****All committee reports are due by Friday, January 3, 2014****