

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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9:30 a.m. WORSHIP

One who is
more powerful
than I is coming
after me:
I am not worthy
to carry his
sandals.

Matthew 3:11, NRSV



DECEMBER 8, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

All Are Welcome!

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling or standing at the altar rail. If, for any reason, you are not comfortable receiving communion, please come forward and cross your arms, indicating you wish, instead, to receive a blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Jeff to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet. The office phone number and Pastor Jeff's cell phone number are on the cover of the bulletin.

Ministries for Today

Lector: Nadine Kelly

Assistant: Cindy Quehl

Altar Guild: Judy Kobs

Ushers: Jim Sauer and Alan Espersen
Barb and Ron Modjeska

December 1, 2019 Attendance: 9:30 a.m. - 141

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Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019, 9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

Megan Cianflone, Director of Music

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** ELW 94

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

P In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

C **Amen.**

+ **OPENING HYMN** *“Fling Wide the Door”* ELW 259

+ **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

P As we light the candle on the Advent Wreath, let us pray.

C **Lord Jesus, we do not lack any spiritual gift as we prepare for your coming. Keep us awake and help us use our gifts to serve those who look for the dawn of your justice and mercy. Amen.**

+ **HYMN** *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* ELW 257 *(verse 2)*

+ **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

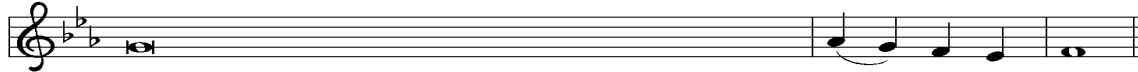
Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



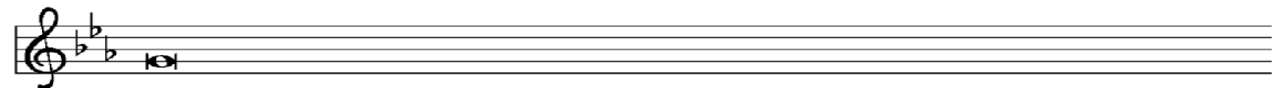
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

This Is the Feast

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
 Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11: 1-10

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 (*Sing responsively*)

¹Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,
and your righteousness to | the king's son;
²**that he may rule your | people righteously**
and the | poor with justice;
³that the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,
and the | hills, in righteousness.
⁴**Let him defend the needy a- | mong the people,**
rescue the poor, and crush | the oppressor.
⁵May he live as long as the sun and | moon endure,
from one generation | to another.
⁶**Let him come down like rain upon | the mown field,**
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.
⁷In his time may the | righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.

¹⁸Blessed are you, LORD God, the | God of Israel;
you alone do | wondrous deeds!

¹⁹And blessed be your glorious | name forever,
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. A- | men.

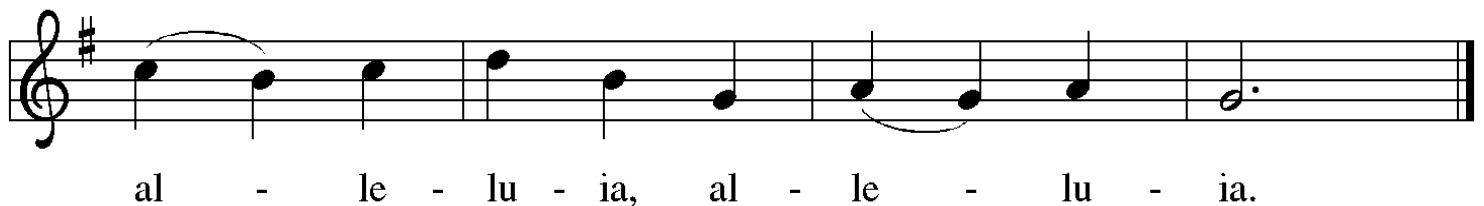
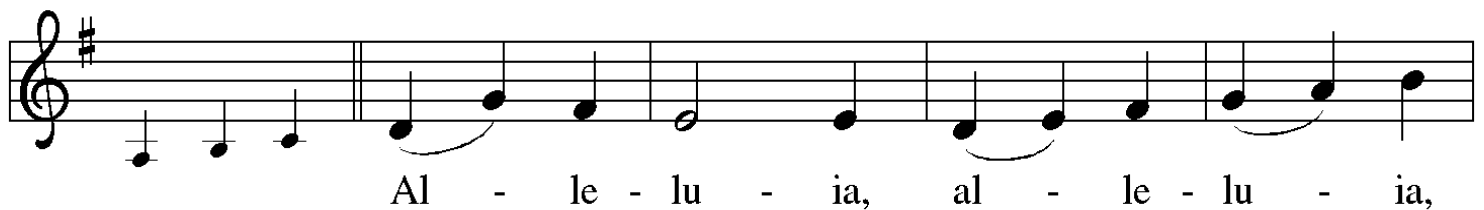
SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; ¹⁰and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; ¹¹and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; ¹²and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

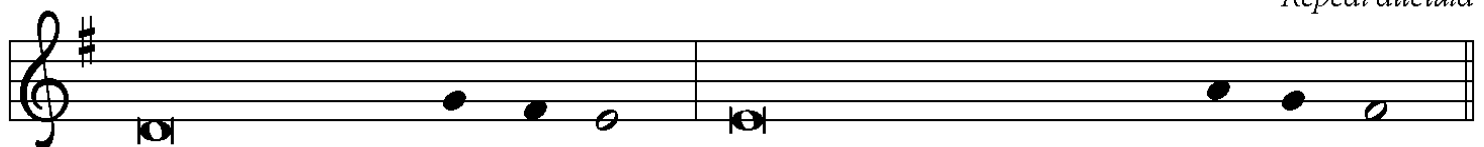
A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Repeat alleluia



The Holy Gospel according to: Matthew 31:1-12

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness Judea proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” ⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Jeffrey T. Ungs

Text: Lessons for the day

+ HYMN OF THE DAY

“ Comfort, Comfort Now My People”

ELW 256

A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of God in our lives with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

+ **APOSTLES' CREED**

ELW 105

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.**

+ **THE PRAYERS** (*You may come forward for prayer.*)

A Keeping awake as we watch for Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
A brief silence.

A God of promise, your reign has come near. Call your people to the way of repentance and inspire your church to bear fruit in the world through acts of faithful service. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our Prayer

A God of creation, we pray for the wolf and the lamb, the lion and the calf, and all species whose lives are intertwined. Repair and preserve ecosystems, that all life on earth may be sustained. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our Prayer

A God of the nations, teach those with power and privilege to serve the vulnerable. Give to all leaders wisdom and understanding, counsel and might, and a heart of compassion for the world you so love. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our Prayer

A God of the poor, set tables of abundance in all places where hands are empty, where stomachs ache with hunger, and where hearts and minds suffer pain. Feed and heal all who are in need. Especially, Don Sharpe, Jim Hahn, Kelli Unga, Ginny Trendel, Jim O'Neal and Rich Bartsh and help us not to lose heart, so that your healing love prevails in our lives. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A God of hope, renew in your people all joy and peace in believing, especially those facing anxiety, depression, or alienation. Guide this community of faith to welcome one another, just as Christ has welcomed us. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A God of eternal life, you promise to take away our sin and gather us in your care forever. We give thanks for those who now rest from their labors on earth, freed from pain and the power of death, especially James Montgomery and Dana Dickerman. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A As a community, we rejoice with those who rejoice and mourn with those who mourn. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays and anniversaries within our faith community. Today, we pray for Nola Halverson, Shelby Hackethal, Dorothy MacKenzie, Eleanor Pitzer, Alice Bassett, August Buettner, George Giacometti, Pete Peterson, Sally McIlwain, Barbara Ettinger, Myka Gonzalez and Richard Jingling as they celebrate their birthdays. We also pray for Joni and John Olson, Jr. as they celebrate their anniversary. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A You hear the cries of our hearts, O Lord. Fill us with hopeful expectation, that in each day and hour we may love and serve our neighbors, in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.)

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "O COME TO US EMMANUEL" by Joseph M. Martin
Chancel Choir

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

A Let us pray.

C **God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring, and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world, spoken in Jesus' name. Amen.**

+ **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Great Thanksgiving musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words in bold. The first staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The second staff has a double bar line after the first measure. The third and fourth staves have double bar lines at the end.

The Lord be with you. **And** al - so with you.

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

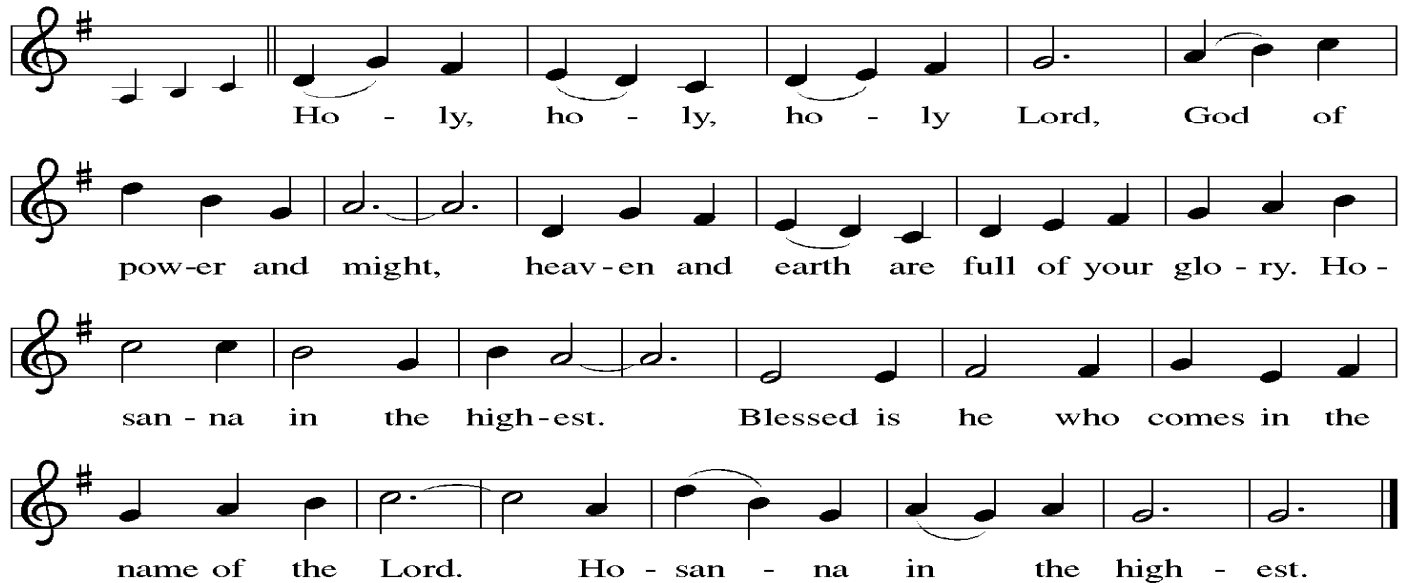
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+ **PROPER PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+ **SANCTUS**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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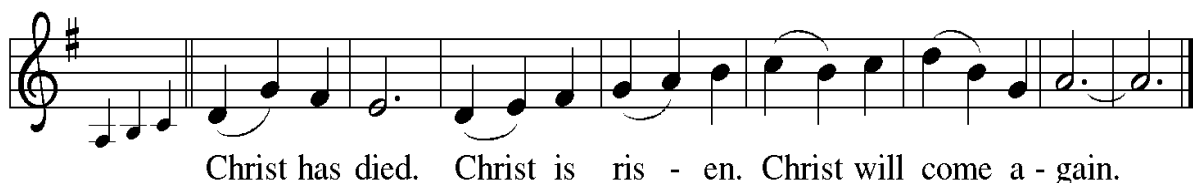
P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

C **You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.**

P We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for your salvation.

+ **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P In the night in which he was betrayed, . . . For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, . . . To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C



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+ **THE LORD’S PRAYER** (*Spoken*)

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **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.**

THE COMMUNION

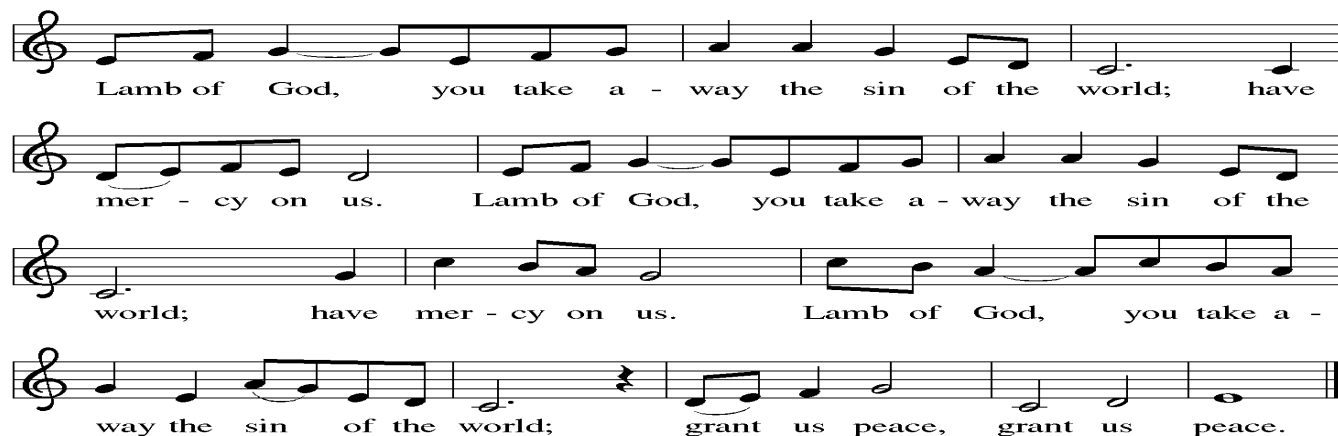
P God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready.
(*Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine or juice. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.*)

A Please be seated.

P The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C **Amen.**

Lamb of God



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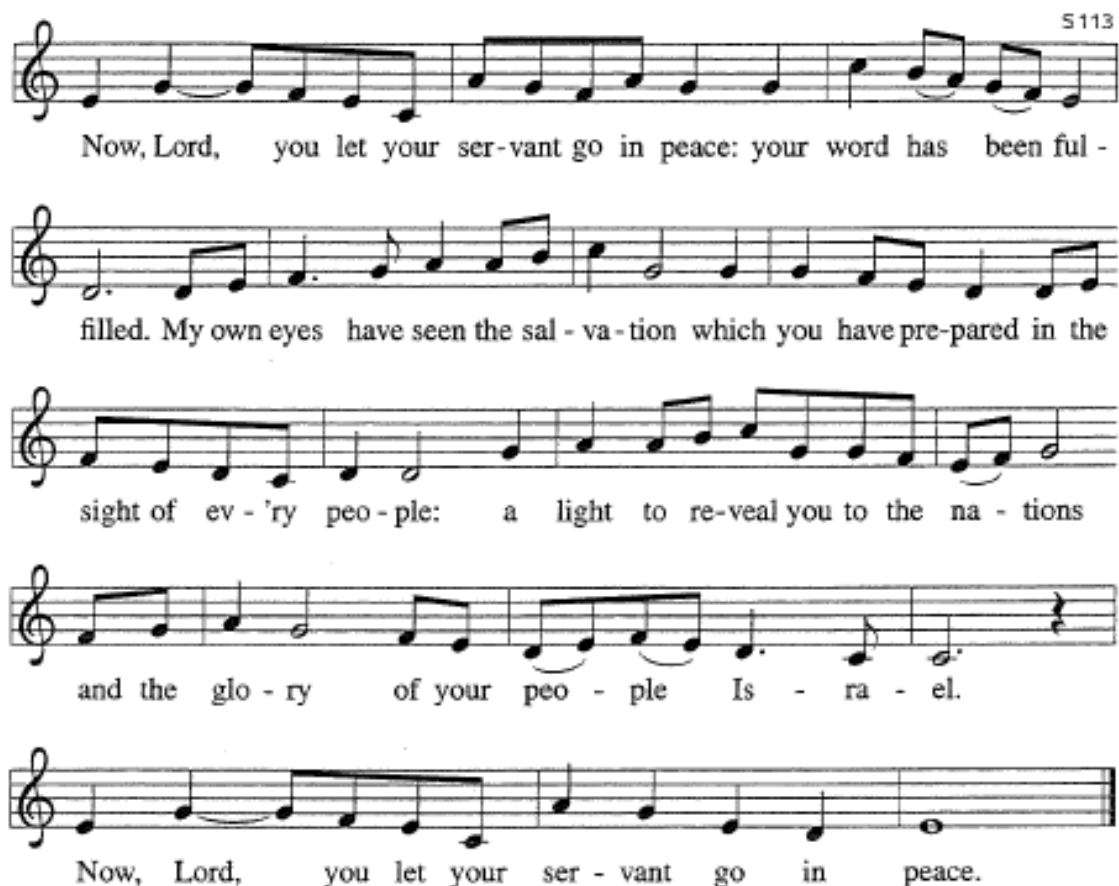
COMMUNION BLESSING

P God of abundance, we give you thanks that in this holy meal you have invited us to feast with you and one another. May the taste of your love remain with us, and may our words and our work in your name invite others into your bountiful grace. Send us from your table to proclaim your presence, even as we await the glorious coming of Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

+ POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -

filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the

sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions

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

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

+ **THE BLESSING**

P May God, who gathers us in love, lead you in pathways of righteousness and justice. May God, who knows us more deeply than we know ourselves, lead you in pathways of forgiveness and freedom. May God, who fills us with good things, lead you in pathways of equity and abundance. The blessing of the holy Trinity, one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C Amen.

+ **SENDING HYMN** *“Hark, A Thrilling Voice is Sounding ”* ELW 246

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the chancel this morning are given by Beverly and Kent Adams in loving memory of their daughter, Connie.

STARTING TWO SERVICES

Sunday, January 5, 2020 we will be holding two worship services. The time of the services will be 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

HOSPITALIZATIONS

We have been informed that the local hospitals are no longer calling church offices to advise of the hospitalizations of parishioners. If you are hospitalized, please let the church office know so that we may keep you in our prayers and provide pastoral support.

SEW-SEW LADIES

The sew-sew ladies would appreciate any old sheets and tablecloths that you would like to donate for their quilting projects.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Come gather at Hanson Hall around 10:45 a.m. and join the conversation about James: “The Epistle of Straw”.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

The annual church meeting will be held on Sunday, December 15, 2019 after the worship service.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Christmas Eve candle light worship services will be held at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

THE GIVING TREE

The giving tree this year will benefit St. Matthew’s House clients. The evangelism committee is suggesting gifts that are needed in our everyday lives, i.e. socks, hats, shampoo, shower gel, deodorant, shaving cream etc. You can buy for male or female clients, ages 18 to 81. Price limit should be about \$20.00. Pastor will bless the gifts before the December 15, 2019 service.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDERS

Please help us beautify our sanctuary in praise to our Savior this Christmas! Poinsettias will be placed around the altar for Christmas. You may take your poinsettia(s) home after Christmas Eve worship. Please order one or more poinsettias by completing a form in the Narthex. The cost is still \$15 per poinsettia. The deadline for ordering is **MONDAY, December 16, 2019**. Please place your order form in the offering plate, leave in the basket in the narthex, or deliver to the Church office.

MILITARY ADDRESS:

Anyone in the congregation that knows the addresses of the military listed in our newsletter, please contact Kelli Ungs at advokelli@gmail.com or 641-529-0969 so that we can remember them at Christmas time.

LYNN DICKERMAN'S ADDRESS

If anyone in the congregation would like to send Lynn Dickerman a note or sympathy card, please send it the following address: 3270 West Crown Pointe Blvd., #102, Naples, FL 34112. Dana Dickerman's memorial service will be held at Center Pointe Community Church located in Golden Gate, on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:

The office is open from Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Pastor Jeff is available in the office by appointment.

Second Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2019, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Jeff Ungs.

Sunday, December 8, 2019 Annual Bake Sale following worship service

Monday, December 9th and Wednesday December 11th, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Bone Builders, Hanson Hall. All are welcome!

Tuesday, December 10, 2019, 8:30 to 11:00 a.m., Sew- Sew ladies meet in Hanson Hall.

Tuesday, December 10, 2019, 5:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 11, 2019, Choir practice starting at 7:00 p.m.

Third Sunday of Advent, December 15, 2019, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Jeff Ungs; 10:45 a.m. Cross + Generation Sunday School in Hanson Hall.

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