

**SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA*

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**8:30 & 10:30 A.M.  
WORSHIP**



**HEAVEN AND EARTH  
WILL PASS AWAY, BUT**  
*my words*  
**WILL NOT PASS AWAY.**  
MARK 13:31

**NOVEMBER 29, 2020  
FIRST SUNDAY  
OF ADVENT**

## All Are Welcome!

Welcome to Shepherd of the Glades!

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.

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

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### Ministries for Today

Lector: Doug Walck

Greeter: Jan Wolfe

Altar Guild: Anne Buck & Darlene Momberg

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Ann Buck, Brenda Charleston,  
& Darlene Momberg

10:30 a.m. Barb & Ron Modjeska  
Ann and Paul Hashagen

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*First Sunday in Advent*

*November 29, 2020, 8:30 & 10:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I*

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

## **PRELUDE**

Megan Cianflone, Director of Music

## **INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### + **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Together let us honestly and humbly confess that we have not lived as God desires.

C **Loving and forgiving God, we confess that we are held captive by sin. In spite of our best efforts, we have gone astray. We have not welcomed the stranger; we have not loved our neighbor; we have not been Christ to one another. Restore us, O God. Wake us up and turn us from our sin. Renew us each day in the light of Christ. Amen.**

P People of God, hear this glad news: by God's endless grace your sins are forgiven, and you are free - free from all that holds you back and free to live in the peaceable realm of God. May you be strengthened in God's love, + comforted by Christ's peace, and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

+ **OPENING HYMN**      "*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*"      ELW 257  
8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. (*Verses 1-3*)

### + **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

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

C **Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe. You call all nations to walk in your light and to seek your ways of justice and peace, for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near. Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath. Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes and welcome him into our hearts and homes, for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

### + **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## + **THE PRAYER OF PRAISE**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign, alleluia.  
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

<sup>1</sup>O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—<sup>2</sup>as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! <sup>3</sup>When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. <sup>4</sup>From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. <sup>5</sup>You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. <sup>6</sup>We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. <sup>7</sup>There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. <sup>8</sup>Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (Read responsively)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

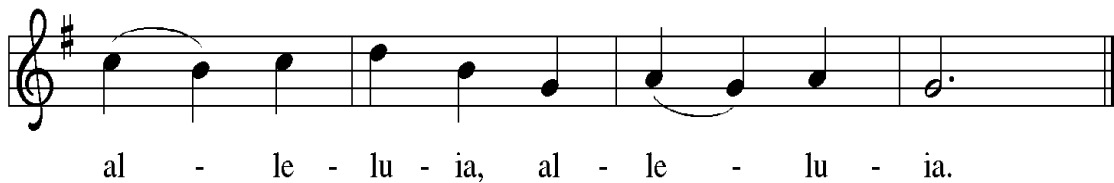
## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

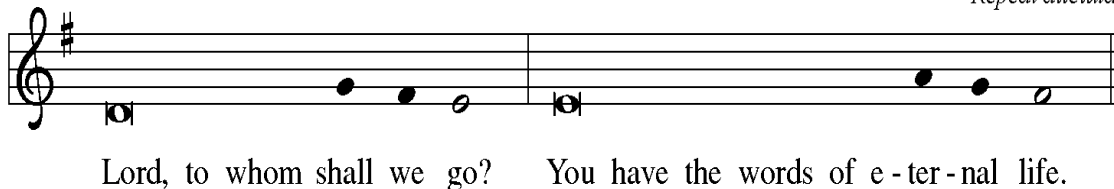
A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## + GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Repeat alleluia*



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**The Holy Gospel according to: Mark 13:24-37**

Jesus said: <sup>24</sup>“In those days, after that suffering,  
the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

<sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

<sup>26</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory.

<sup>27</sup>Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

<sup>28</sup>“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. <sup>35</sup>Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, <sup>36</sup>or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

**C    Glory to you, O Lord.**

**P    The Gospel of the Lord.**

**C    Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Jeff Unga

Text: Lessons for the day

**+ HYMN OF THE DAY    8:30 a.m. “Do Not Be Afraid”**

*(by: Alisha and Pastor Jeff Unga)*

**10:30 a. m. “Blessed Be the God of Israel” ELW 250**

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**

A God of power and might, tear open the heavens and come quickly to this weary world. Hear our prayers for everyone in need.

*A brief silence.*

A We pray for the ministry we share in Christ's name. Open our hearts to your call for justice, peace, and healing. Attune us to the needs of the world as you draw near. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We pray for this planet in need of restoration: for devastated habitats, polluted waters, thawing ice, blazing fires, swelling floods, and long-lasting droughts. Renew the face of the earth and our relationship to it. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We pray for all people who care for others in our community and around the world. Fill them with compassion and the power to respond with justice for those who are oppressed, with welcome for those who are excluded, and with relief for those who suffer. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**



A We pray for people who are in crisis as the seasons change: for those without homes facing severe weather, for those who are unemployed or underemployed, and for those in poverty or facing food insecurity. Relieve their burdens, sustain their bodies, and ease their minds. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A We pray for the people in our families and congregation who live with depression, anxiety, chronic pain, addiction, and other invisible illnesses. Ease their suffering and support them when they struggle ; especially, Carl Morken, Shobha Bharty, Mike Eickhoff, John Carr, Raymond Kern, Sharon Hicks, Helene Boone, Susan Espersen, Karen & Brad Puerner, Leo Malinowski, Pat Lussky, Lisa & Mark McGarity, Anita Lehr, Jack Fee and Carol Freitag. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A We give thanks for the lives and witness of those who died while waiting for justice, peace, or healing, those whose names we know and those whose names are known only to you. Sustain all who still yearn for the completion of your redeeming work. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays and anniversaries within our faith community. Today we pray for Ashley, Charlotte, and Lauren Buettner, LeAnn Granato, Tina Salvo, Barbara Collins, Landon Helenek, Jennifer White, and Iann Buttermann as they celebrate their birthdays. Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

A Draw near to us, O God, and receive our prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

A Let us pray.

**C Generous God, you have created all that is, and you provide for us in every season. Bless all that we offer, that through these gifts the world will receive your blessing. In the name of Jesus, Emmanuel, we pray. Amen.**

+ **PROPER PREFACE**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

+ **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.**

+ **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P Gracious and abundant God, you have done great things for us, and we rejoice. In this bread and cup you give us life forever. In your boundless mercy, strengthen us and open our hearts to the world's needs, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ **THE BLESSING**

P The Creator of the stars bless your Advent waiting, the long-expected Savior fill you with love, the unexpected Spirit guide your journey, ✝ now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ **SENDING HYMN 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"**  
*(Verses 4-6)* **ELW 257**

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The flowers on the chancel this morning are given by Heidi and Mike Dziubla in loving memory of Meta Bauer.

**HOSPITALIZATIONS**

At this time, due to covid-19, local clergy are permitted to visit patients in the hospital but with restrictions. 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.

**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 \$20 per poinsettia. The deadline for ordering is **MONDAY, December 14, 2020**. Please place your order form in the offering plate, leave in the basket in the narthex, or deliver to the Church office.

**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. slippers, socks, bike locks or rain gear. Mr. David Welch, director of special projects, suggested gift cards to Amazon, Walmart or Target. The gift cards are used by St. Matthew's staff to purchase needed items for the residents. Please bring or send your unwrapped gift to the church by Friday, December 11, 2020. Pastor will bless the gifts before the December 13, 2019 service.

## **ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

The annual church meeting will be held on Sunday, December 13, 2020 after the 8:30 a.m. Worship service.

## **QUILTING WITH THE SEW SEW'S**

Anyone interested to start quilting again? There are quilting tasks that can be done from home. If interested, call Maryann Buettner at (239) 989-1728 or email at: [maryannflamingo@sbcgloval.net](mailto:maryannflamingo@sbcgloval.net).

## **"GOD'S CREATION" 2021 CALENDARS**

The beautiful 2021 calendars are available. These calendars will have scripture and beautiful photos, and will help the church raise funds for the Sunday School. They are only \$7 each and make beautiful gifts! You can call the office at (239) 775-0696 to place your order.

## **THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:**

The office is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. We request that you wear a mask when entering the Church.

Pastor Jeff is available in the office by appointment.

**First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020, 8:30 a.m., public Worship with Pastor Jeff Ungs.** Worship will also be live streamed on YouTube, or you can access on our website. See website for details - [www.sotgweb.org](http://www.sotgweb.org). 10:30 a.m. Worship will be held outside and not recorded.

**Second Sunday of Advent, December 6, 2020, 8:30 a.m., public Worship with Pastor Jeff Ungs.** Worship will also be live streamed on YouTube, or you can access on our website. See website for details - [www.sotgweb.org](http://www.sotgweb.org). 10:30 a.m. Worship will be held outside and not recorded.

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Congregational President

Larry Buettner

Administrative Assistants to the Pastor

Lynn Dickerman and Linda Tidmore

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. H. Peter Lyberg

# O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive  
 2 O come, O Wis - dom from on high, em - brac - ing all things  
 3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on  
 4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
 far and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;  
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law  
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 teach us your will and guide our way. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!  
 in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.  
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

- 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. *Refrain*
- 6 O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;  
 O Sun of justice, now draw near.  
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
 and death's dark shadow put to flight. *Refrain*
- 7 O come, O King of nations, come,  
 O Cornerstone that binds in one:  
 refresh the hearts that long for you;  
 restore the broken, make us new. *Refrain*
- 8 O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
 and ransom captive Israel,  
 that mourns in lonely exile here  
 until the Son of God appear. *Refrain*

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 Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, French processional, 15th cent.  
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## Blessed Be the God of Israel



1 Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free  
2 With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,  
3 My child, as proph - et of the Lord you will pre - pare the way,



and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree.  
the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham, from foes to save us all;  
to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.



So have the proph - ets long de - clared that with a might - y arm  
that we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise,  
Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease



God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.  
in ho - li - ness and righ - teous - ness to serve God all our days.  
to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944, based on Luke 1:68-79

Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune

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