

# Service of Holy Communion

## December 13, 2020 Advent 3

### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent” French Carol  
arr by Anna Laura Page  
Instrumental

Picardy  
SKLC Handbells  
Organ

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

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

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

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.**

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.**

### GATHERING SONG #266 “All Earth is Hopeful” verses 1 and 4

*(Please note, this hymn is not fast, but goes at a gently walking pace. It’s soothing and hopeful, like a lullaby)*

- 1 All earth is hopeful, the Savior comes at last!  
Furrows lie open for God's creative task:  
this, the labor of people who struggle to see  
how God's truth and justice set ev'rybody free.

- 4 We first saw Jesus a baby in a crib.  
This same Lord Jesus today has come to live  
in our world; he is present, in neighbors we see  
our Jesus is with us, and ever sets us free.

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## **GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**



## **LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH**

*As the candle is lighted, this prayer is said.*

We praise you, O God, for this victory wreath that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the candles on this wreath, strengthen our hearts as we await the Lord's coming in glory. Enlighten us with your grace, that we may serve our neighbors in need. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

**Amen.**

## Holden Evening Prayer - The Magnificat

Marty Haugen

B<sup>b</sup> F E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/D E<sup>b</sup>

1. My soul pro-claims your great-ness, O God, and my spir - it re-joic - es in  
2. You have cast the might - y down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum-ble of

4 Cm<sup>7</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>7 E<sup>b</sup> Cm<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/F F<sup>7</sup>

you, You have looked with love on your ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life  
heart, You have filled the hun - gry with wondrous things, and left the wealth-y no

8 E<sup>b</sup>/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> F/A Gm Dm E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm F<sup>7</sup>

through. Great and might-y are you, O Ho - ly One, strong is your kind-ness  
part. Great and might-y are you, O Faith-ful One, strong is your jus - tice,

12 B<sup>b</sup> F/A Gm Dm E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm<sup>7</sup> F<sup>7</sup>

ev - er - more. How you fa - vor the weak and low-ly one, hum-bling the proud of heart  
stong your love, As you prom-ised to Sar-ah and A-bra-ham, kind-ness for - ev - er more.

17 2. F<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b</sup> F E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/D E<sup>b</sup>

My soul pro-claims your great-ness, O God, and my spir - it re-joic - es in

21 Cm<sup>7</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>7 E<sup>b</sup> Cm<sup>7</sup>

you, You have looked with love on your ser - vant here, and

24 B<sup>b</sup>/F F<sup>7</sup> E<sup>b</sup>/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/F F<sup>7</sup> E<sup>b</sup>/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> rit.

blessed me all my life through, and blessed me all my life through

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, **and open our ears to the words of your prophets, that, anointed by your Spirit, we may testify to your light; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## THE WORD

### FIRST READING: *Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11*

*Though the people had returned to Jerusalem from exile in Babylon, they continued to face hardship and oppression. In the language of the jubilee year described in Leviticus 25, the prophet, moved by the spirit of God, announces deliverance for those who are oppressed and comfort for those who mourn.*

<sup>1</sup>The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;

<sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

<sup>3</sup>to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.

<sup>4</sup>They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

<sup>8</sup>For I the LORD love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

<sup>9</sup>Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup>For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 126**

<sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.

<sup>2</sup>**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.”**

<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup>**Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup>Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup>**Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**

*Paul concludes his letter to the Thessalonians by encouraging them to live lives of continual joy, prayer, and thanksgiving. The closing blessing is grounded in the hope of Christ’s coming.*

<sup>16</sup>Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup>pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup>Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup>Do not despise the words of prophets, <sup>21</sup>but test everything; hold fast to what is good; <sup>22</sup>abstain from every form of evil.

<sup>23</sup>May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup>The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

**GOSPEL: John 1:6-8, 19-28**

The Holy Gospel according to John the first chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*John's gospel describes Jesus as the "light of the world." John the Baptist is presented as a witness to Jesus, one who directs attention away from himself to Christ, the true light.*

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

<sup>19</sup>This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" <sup>20</sup>He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." <sup>21</sup>And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." <sup>22</sup>Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" <sup>23</sup>He said,

"I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness,  
'Make straight the way of the Lord,' " as the prophet Isaiah said.

<sup>24</sup>Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. <sup>25</sup>They asked him, "Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" <sup>26</sup>John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, <sup>27</sup>the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal." <sup>28</sup>This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

My father was a Lutheran pastor, so I was raised in the Lutheran church. My Dad's background was German-Lutheran, and my mother's, Norwegian-Lutheran. That's not important in and of itself, but my point is, I was not a part of the Swedish-Lutheran heritage. We worshiped out of the Lutheran hymnal in our church – first a red one, then a green one – and shared a common faith with other Lutherans, but we did not share every tradition.

When in seminary, I spent my internship year in Washington, DC, at Augustana Lutheran Church – two miles due north of the White House. It was a great congregation. Augustana had integrated racially in the 1950s, so the membership was about half White people and half Black people. The church was right in the heart of the city, and the congregation was made up of young families, older people, gay people and straight people, conservative people and liberal people. It was a wonderful church and I learned so much during that year of internship.

Augustana was a Swedish-background church, so one Sunday in mid-December they celebrated something I'd never heard of – Santa Lucia Day. It was a big deal. The children of the congregation were at the center of the celebration, and there was a

special song, which I don't remember – but anyone who grew up in a Swedish-Lutheran Church could sing it for you from memory.

One young girl was chosen to be Santa Lucia, and the other young girls were her attendants – all of them wore white robes. The boys also wore white robes and had a silver cone on their heads; they were called Star Boys (although I'm not sure why). The highlight of the Santa Lucia festival was when all the boys and girls came down the center aisle of the church in their clean robes, singing the Santa Lucia song, and the girl who'd been chosen to be Santa Lucia, wore a wreath on her head with five or six lighted candles.

She wore a wreath with lighted candles on her head.

After the service we gathered in the fellowship hall where the robed girls and boys served cookies and sweet breads on platters. I learned, that year, that Santa Lucia Day is important in Scandinavian countries. There, children get up early to serve the rest of the family sweet rolls and cakes, and the head girl always wears the wreath of lighted candles.

Today is the Feast Day of Santa Lucia – or Saint Lucy. She lived in Italy in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century – long time ago. As a young woman, Lucy devoted her life to God, planning to go into a convent when she came of age. But her beauty brought her many suitors. One suitor was so persistent, and Lucy so resistant, that he eventually turned her in to the authorities for being a Christian and she was arrested. She was put to death on December 13, 304 of the Common Era. Lucy became a very popular figure in Italy, in Scandinavia, and other places, for her devotion to God and to people in need.

The tradition of wearing lighted candles on one's head came about this way. Back then, it was dangerous to be a Christian – one could be harassed, arrested, and executed. Sometimes Christians who thought they might soon be arrested, escaped to the Roman catacombs outside town. These were underground burial sites, the graves connected by long tunnels. The authorities were unlikely to look for them there, but the people had no way to provide for themselves down in the catacombs.

Lucy took it upon herself to bring them food. At night she carried all she could to feed the Christians in the catacombs. In order to use both her hands to carry the food, she lighted her way by wearing a wreath of candles on her head. That's the story of Santa Lucia.

Yesterday, December 12, was the Feast Day of the Virgin de Guadalupe, or Our Lady of Guadalupe. Here in San Antonio, if you went to buy red roses yesterday, you might have been out of luck. People all over town bought red roses to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, who is especially significant in Mexican and Mexican-American culture.

In the mid 1500s, the Virgin Mary appeared to a peasant, Juan Diego, near Tepeyac, Mexico. She told him to build her a shrine on a nearby hill. But when Juan Diego told the archbishop of his encounter with the Virgin, he was not believed. He went away dejected.

Our Lady came to him a second time, instructing him – in mid-winter – to go and pick a bunch of beautiful flowers that were in full bloom. Juan Diego did that, and returned to the archbishop with the flowers tucked under his coat. While speaking with

the archbishop, the flowers fell out of Juan Diego's coat, spilling onto the floor. The archbishop saw that they were red Castilian roses, which didn't grow in Mexico. Then he believed Juan Diego and built the shrine to Our Lady of Guadalupe among the peasants, so she could share her love and compassion with them.

Why do we remember and celebrate these stories, century after century? If Saint Lucy or Our Lady of Guadalupe are not part of your tradition, their stories might not mean much to you. But if they are part of your history, your cultural identity, hearing them each year touches you deeply. For you, these are not just sweet tales from long ago. They get to you; make you cry, or feel safe, or fill you with nostalgia. Why is that?

I think it's because Santa Lucia and our Lady of Guadalupe, point to another story and remind us of its truth – its truth for all peoples, in all times. The story of Jesus, born to save, is not just for people in Bethlehem two thousand and twenty years ago, it's for the faithful in every age. Jesus – our Savior, our brother – comes to life throughout the generations in courageous women like Lucy and faithful men like Juan Diego. Remembering Santa Lucia and the Virgin de Guadalupe connects Jesus' coming, his attention and compassion, to our lives. It assures us that Jesus is born, not only for 'the world in general,' but for you and me and our neighbors today.

Hear what the prophet Isaiah said, "The spirit of the Lord is upon me; the Lord has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed (like Lucy and Christians in her day), to bind up the brokenhearted (like Juan Diego and his compatriots), to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners (like you and me).

Can it be that the birth of Jesus is liberation and new life, not only for the people who then lived in Bethlehem, but for people today? Can the birth of Jesus be healing, comfort, and hope for those who are grieving, those in pain, those sinking deeper into depression, those with little food and no way to pay the rent, those who are exhausted from everything going on?

The stories of Santa Lucia and Our Lady of Guadalupe say 'yes.' Jesus comes, to heal and uplift us – all of us – in this day, in these circumstances. Raise your eyes, open your hearts, look for the one who will be among us – a living, breathing human being – soon. He comes for you, for your family, for your community. Rejoice. Even in your loneliness, your sorrow, rejoice. God hears your cries, and God responds by giving God's own self to us, in Jesus. It won't be long, now. It won't be long.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** #249 *"On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry"* verses 1-2

- 1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
announces that the Lord is nigh;  
awake and hearken, for he brings  
glad tidings of the King of kings!
- 2 Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin;  
make straight the way for God within,  
and let us all our hearts prepare  
for Christ to come and enter there.



## **THE NICENE CREED**

With the whole Church let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

God of power and might, shine your radiance and come quickly to this weary world.  
Hear our prayers for everyone in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of preachers and messengers, you have entrusted your church with the work of  
proclaiming good news. Strengthen the witness of bishops, pastors, deacons, church

musicians, lay leaders, and all people who contribute their prayers and talents to public worship. Embed your word in their hearts. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of every living creature, you announce the year of your favor for all of creation. Extend your kindness and relief to endangered animals and plants. Strengthen the human beings who rely on the rhythms of nature to make their living. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of all peoples and nations, you plant us as your oaks of righteousness and ask us to care for one another. Be present with the leaders of every nation as they govern. Give them a spirit of righteousness, that your goodness and mercy is revealed through their actions. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of exiles and wanderers, you repair what was once destroyed. We pray for people who have been displaced from their homes by fire, flood, earthquake, or storm. Support the work of Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Disaster Response, and all disaster relief organizations in their recovery efforts. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of the powerful and helpless, you clothe us with strength when our spirits are weak and weary. Bestow your spirit upon this congregation and empower us to comfort the people who turn to us in times of need. Make your church a place of refuge and healing. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of sinners and saints, you offer joy even in the midst of our grief. We are grateful for the beloved, imperfect people whose lives testified to your radiant love. Anoint all who mourn with the oil of gladness. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Listen, O God, to the prayers of this gathered people...

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

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

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**THE DOXOLOGY** to the tune of "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 praise him, all creatures here below;  
 praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice!  
 Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel

**OFFERING PRAYER**

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.**

*(Please have the bread and wine/juice ready for Holy Communion)*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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

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

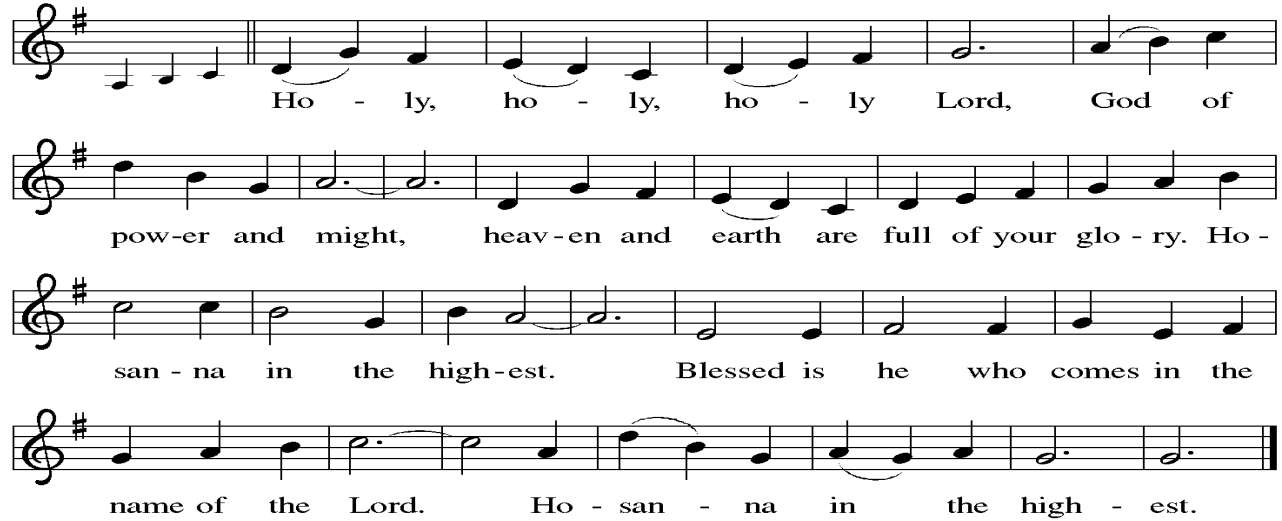
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right** to give our **thanks and** praise.

## THE PREFACE FOR SUNDAYS IN ADVENT

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,  
 that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,  
 al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.  
 You comforted your people with the promise of the Re - deem - er,  
 through whom you will also make all things new  
 in the day when he comes to judge the world in righ - teous-ness.  
 And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,  
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,  
 we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

*"Holy, Holy, Holy"*



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.

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

God who, in the beginning, made order out of chaos bringing forth creation; who blessed Abraham and Sarah with a child, who led Israel from slavery into freedom, who through the prophets foretold the coming of a suffering servant, and who made Mary mother of a Son to be called Emmanuel – God, most high, who has redeemed us through Jesus Christ, our Lord – we remember...

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 in remembrance of me.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Even as we watch and wait, Christ is here. Come, eat and drink.

Take the bread and eat, this is the body of Christ, given for you. (*please consume the bread*)

Take the cup and drink, this is the blood of Christ, shed for you. (*please drink from the cup*)

### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.

**Amen.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Council meets today at 3 via zoom.

Don Irwin will be our guest musician next Sunday. The livestream will begin at 9:45 am and Don will play an extended prelude. Please join us next week at 9:45.

Christmas caroling. At noon on Christmas Eve Day, December 24, you are invited to gather at the church, outside on the front porch, to sing some carols. Please wear a mask when you arrive, and be prepared to stand 6 feet apart from others.

Christmas Eve – worship will be on livestream only. The service begins at 4:00 pm, but you can wait and watch it later if you prefer.

December 27 – Shepherd King will be worshipping with Zion Lutheran here in San Antonio. A link to their service will be sent to all members and will be posted on our Facebook page and website.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, right after worship (around 11:00). We will most likely not meet in person – unless COVID cases

are dramatically reduced. The meeting will be held via Zoom and Facebook livestream. You will be able to make comments and ask questions either using the comment space on Facebook, or if you are connected by Zoom, asking your question. Materials for the budget, new council members, and any other business will be sent to all members in early January so you can look it over and be ready with any questions or comments. We hope to have a couple people present who will receive phone calls or text messages from members. It's going to be different, this year, but we'll make it work.

## **BLESSING**

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.

**Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN** #264 *“Prepare the Royal Highway”* verses 1 and 4

1 Prepare the royal highway;  
the King of kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley  
a level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory,  
foretold in sacred story:

### *Refrain*

Hosanna to the Lord,  
for he fulfills God's word!

4 His is no earthly kingdom;  
it comes from heav'n above.  
His rule is peace and freedom  
and justice, truth, and love.  
So let your praise be sounding  
for kindness so abounding: *Refrain*

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## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE****Organ****CHIMES**

*“Prepare the Royal Highway”* Swedish Folk Tune  
Arr by Anna Laura Page

**SKLC Handbells**

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