

702

Prepare the Royal Highway

1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The
 2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: Your
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It

King of kings is near! Let ev - 'ry hill and
 own e - ter - nal King! Palm branch - es strew be -
 greet your prom - ised King! Your King, yet ev - 'ry
 comes from heav'n a - bove. His rule is peace and

val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
 fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
 na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
 free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the King of glo - ry, Fore - told in
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall
 All lands, bow down be - fore him! All na - tions,
 So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness

sa - cred sto - ry:
 doubt as - sail you!
 now a - dore him! Ho - san - na to the
 so a - bound - ing:

Lord, For he ful - fills God's Word!

This hymn reminds us that Advent is a season of preparation, as King Jesus comes to rule in our hearts and lives and leads us to his heavenly kingdom.

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 Tune: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN (76 76 77 and Refrain) Swedish folk tune, 17th century

“Behold your King comes to redeem you
by the cross”



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church
 December 1, 2019
 The First Sunday in Advent

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

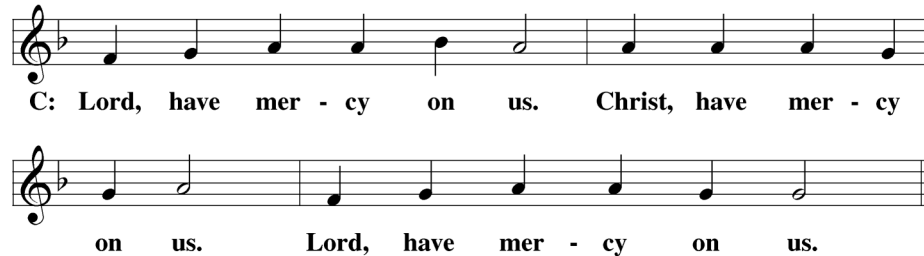
OPENING HYMN "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" (CW #19)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

All: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Christmas Caroling - You are invited to join us for Christmas Caroling on Sunday, December 8th. We will meet in the parking lot at 4:00 pm. We will load up on trailers and drive through the neighborhood caroling and handing out flyers for our A Night in Bethlehem event. We hope you can come help us tell of our Savior's birth through song.

A Night in Bethlehem - Our annual outreach event is coming up on Saturday, December 14th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. We need your help! Each year we need over 60 volunteers to make this night happen. On the table outside of the Fellowship Hall is a list of items that we need donated or you can donate money to buy the items. There is also a sign-up list for people willing to work in the shops, actors, builders, greeters and more. Please stop and sign up to help wherever you are able. All items that are being purchased need to be at church by Thursday, December 12. Donations are gladly accepted to help pay for crafts, supplies and the animals for the petting zoo. If you have any questions, please speak with Angie Hintz. **Flyers are now also available for you to use to invite others to come.**

Church Decorating - On Saturday, December 7th, at 9:00 am, we will be decorating the church and Fellowship Hall for Christmas. If you can spare an hour or so it would be greatly appreciated.

Kingdom Workers - is looking for volunteers to help with a Builders For Christ project at Grace Lutheran Church in Sahuarita, AZ (Dates: January - April 2020). Volunteers can sign up for any length of time and will be helping with the interior of the building. Training is provided on site. To learn more or to apply, go to www.kingdomworkers.com/volunteer or call the Kingdom Workers office at 414-771-6848.

Cash Back to Our School - Sonoran Express Car Wash, located at 16843 N. 43rd Ave (43rd Ave south of Bell) will return 5% of your purchases back to our school. Use code 47956. If you have any questions, please contact the office church/school office at 602-843-3853.

Children's Bulletins and Books - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Christian books are also available for ages 0 to 10 + to look at or read during the service! Please ask an usher to direct you to the books so you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Worship Attendance

Sunday, Nov. 24th - 142 (87 - 8:00 am, 55 - 10:30am)

<u>Income from week ending Nov. 24, 2019</u>	<u>Month Total</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>
First Fruits Offering	\$5353	\$19,118.25
School	\$14028.25	\$29,906.67
Preschool/Extended Care	\$673.62	\$2368.29
		\$5272

Worship Leader: Pastor Ross Else
Organist: Mrs. Marci Brekken

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord’s Supper	8:00 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
TUESDAY	Board of Education	6:00 pm
	Board of Elders	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Fellowship Dinner	5:45 pm
	Advent Worship	6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship	9:00 am
	Fellowship Breakfast	10:00 am
	Christmas Caroling	4:00 pm

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 8:00 am service. Our Savior gives us his body and blood along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness in this Blessed Sacrament. Because he also wants us to examine ourselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:23-29), and that those who commune with one another be united in doctrine and practice (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:1-17; 2 John 9-11), we respectfully ask that those who commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are not a member and would like to join us for communion, please speak with Pastor Else, so we can set up a time to study what God’s Word has to say to us concerning Lord’s Supper and church fellowship. Thank you for your understanding.

Announcements

In our Prayers:

Those who mourn: The family of Marci Brekken and Nate Brekken, as they mourn the passing of Nate’s grandmother Eileen Brekken, giving thanks for bringing her to faith through the gospel, for preserving her in faith throughout her 93 years, and for giving her rest from her earthly struggle and pain. May the comfort and peace of Jesus’ redemption and resurrection fill you all with peace and joy as you look forward to the resurrection of all on the Last Day.

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Lilly Ventura; Michelle Coda’s brother Matthew Daniels, health struggles; Marsha Ngiruchelbad and her family, illness; Pastor Jacobsen of Grace Glendale, whose wife, Amy, has cancer; Catherine Soule, daughter of Pastor Jay Webber, and her unborn son, Isaac; Coover Shiffer; Priscilla Smith, Shannon Rogers’ mother (surgery); Sue Miller (surgery); Lee Miller; Deb Fais; Pastor Nathaniel Winkel from Eagle, CO, cousin to Amy Habegger, and his wife, Tiffany; Bev & Darwin Stellmacher’s nephew, Ray; Katie Conklin; Sandy Griffiths; Sarah Eversole; Nicole Harris’ grandmother, Betty Klatt; Pastor Joel Frank and his wife Judy (cancer); Pastor Else’s mother, Audrey Else; Dick and Linda Toetz’s great grandson, Asher; Bill and Christa Hayes’ friend, Chris Pool; Marion Worgull’s son-in-law, Pastor James Humann; Linda Thompson; Phyllis Baltisburger; Barb Osborn; Barb Widmann; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde’s wife, Carol; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel.

Those who are - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

P: The LORD be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by Your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:5-8

5 “Look! The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch. And he will reign wisely as King and establish justice and righteousness on earth. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. This is his name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness. 7 “Therefore, look! The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when it will no longer be said, ‘As surely as the LORD lives who brought the Israelites up out of Egypt,’ 8 but, ‘as surely as the LORD lives who brought up the descendants of the house of Israel and led them out of the land of the north and from all the countries where I had driven them.’ Then they will dwell in their own land.” (EHV)

PSALM 24 (*p.73 in front section of hymnal*)

SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

8 Do not owe anyone anything except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 For the commandments—do not commit adultery, do not murder, do not steal, do not covet (and if there is any other commandment)—are summed up in this statement: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor, so love is the fulfillment of the law. 11 And do this since you understand the present time. It is already the hour for you to wake up from sleep, because our

SECOND SERVICE CONTINUES HERE

CLOSING HYMN

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CLOSING PRAYER

P: Almighty God, grant to Your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above. Let nothing hinder Your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, so that we may serve You in steadfast faith and confess Your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

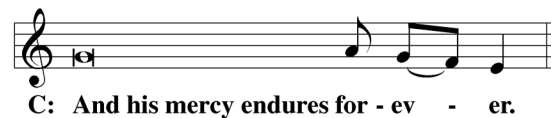


C: A - men. A - men. A - men.



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it You will strengthen our faith in You and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is almost over, and the day is drawing near. So let us put away the deeds of darkness and put on the weapons of light. 13 Let us walk decently as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual sin and wild living, not in strife and jealousy. 14 Instead, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not give any thought to satisfying the desires of your sinful flesh. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia. (Revelation 22:20)




C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-9



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 telling them, “Go to the village ahead of you. Immediately you will find a donkey tied there along with her colt. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you are to say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 Tell the daughter of Zion: Look, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

6 The disciples went and did just as Jesus commanded them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their outer clothing on them, and he sat on it. 8 A very large crowd spread their outer clothing on the road. Others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them out on the road. 9 The crowds who went in front of him and those who followed kept shouting, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest! (EHV)



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

DISTRIBUTION (*During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 5*)

ADVENT

5

As Angels Joyed with One Accord



1 As an - gels joyed with one ac - cord Up - on
2 He came, not clothed in maj - es - ty Nor pow'r
3 This done, he soared to God's right hand, Yet or -
4 In ev - 'ry age— let praise a - bound— He comes;
5 He comes in wa - ter to the child And cleans -



the ad - vent of our Lord, So laud we all and
that suits his de - i - ty. In low - ly state he
phaned not his cho - sen band, For he, not bound in
we hear his voice re-sound. His glo - rious gos - pel
es it, from birth de - filed. This wash - ing seals his



bless the name Of him who from the Fa - ther came.
walked till he In dy - ing set us cap - tives free.
grace and pow'r, At - tends his own each day and hour.
does not cease To bring us com - fort, joy, and peace.
pard - 'ning grace And shows the Fa - ther's kind - ly face.

6 He comes to us in bread and wine
To give himself—and gifts divine.
Oh, praise him for this sacrament,
Redeeming love's great testament!

7 Lift up your heads! All grief and pain
Shall vanish when he comes again.
Where we shall see him face to face,
There joy alone shall have a place.

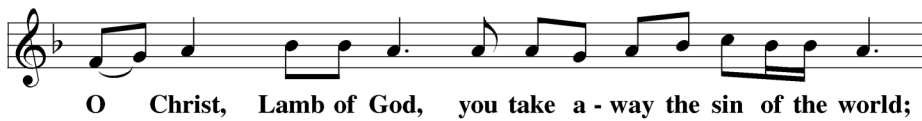
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Tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR (LM) Latin Melody, 15th century, adapt.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Please be seated

HYMN

#2 "Savior of the Nations, Come"

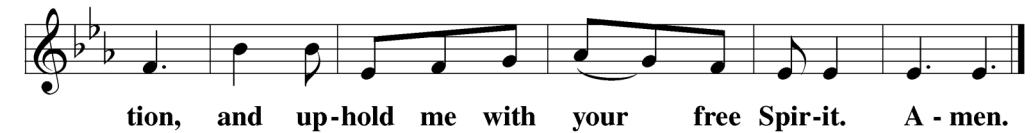
SERMON

Romans 13:8-14

"Put on the clothes that are fit for your King"

1. Adorned with His love
2. Armed with His light

Please stand



OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SERVICE continues with the Sacrament; **SECOND SERVICE** concludes with closing prayer and hymn on page 13.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared when he called people to repentance and pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

THE SANCTUS

