

# Service Folder



## The First Sunday in Advent

*Ad Te Levavi – “To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul”*

December 1, 2019

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome!** Emmanuel is a liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation, in communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA). We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear the Word of God with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we ask our visitors to respect our practice of *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in joining our Communion fellowship have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

**The Order of Service** is *The Order of Holy Communion* (page 15) from *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH). The Scriptures are read from the New King James Version (NKJV). The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted on the following page of this Service Folder.

**Note: The *Gloria in Excelsis* is omitted during the Advent season.**

### EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

- Wed., Dec. 4 - Advent Supper, 5:30 PM
  - Advent Vespers, 6:15 PM
  - Sun., Dec. 8 - Bible Class/Sunday School, 9AM
  - Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 2)
  
  - Wed., Dec 11 - Advent Supper, 5:30 PM
  - Advent Vespers, 6:15 PM
  - Wed., Dec. 18 - Advent Supper, 5:30 PM
  - Advent Vespers, 6:15 PM
  - Tues., Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Vespers, 6:30 PM
  - Wed., Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Divine Service, 10:15 AM
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**OPENING HYMN** *Fling Wide the Doors (back page)*  
**HYMN** (after the Creed) *TLH #58 - O Lord How Shall I Meet Thee (st. 1-5)*  
**HYMN** (after General Prayer) *TLH #58 - O Lord How Shall I Meet Thee (st. 6-9)*  
**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** *TLH #55 - Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come*  
*TLH #57 - O Bride of Christ, Rejoice*

**First:** *Jer. 33:14-18*    **Epistle:** *Rom. 13:11-14*    **Gospel:** *Matt. 21:1-9*

*The Order of Holy Communion begins on p. 15 of The Lutheran Hymnal.*

**INTROIT** (after the general Absolution) *Ps. 25:1-3a; Ps. 25:4, 5b, 21-22*

*After the Refrain is introduced one time (1x) by the organ/guitar, all join to sing it three times (3x). The Psalm verses and Gloria Patri are spoken while the music plays softly in the background. Then the Refrain is sung by all twice (2x) more.*

*Refrain*

**James J. Chepponis**



**Come, come Em - man - u - el. Come, Em - man - u - el.**

- C** *(Sing Refrain 3x while the Pastor sings the first line of the Psalm: To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.)*
- P** TO YOU, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- C** **O my God, I trust in You; Let me not be ashamed;**
- P** Let not my enemies triumph over me.
- C** **Let no one who waits on You be ashamed.**
- P** Show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths.
- C** **For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day.**
- P** Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, For I wait for You.
- C** **Redeem Israel, O God, Out of all their troubles.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Sing Refrain 2x)**

*The service continues with The Kyrie on p.17, followed by the Salutation & Collect.*

**THE GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH** (after the Epistle) *Ps. 25:3a, 4; Ps. 85:7*



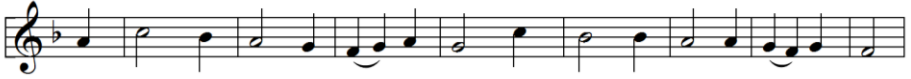
- P** Let no one who waits on You be | ashamed, O Lord.  
Show me Your ways, O Lord; | teach me Your paths. \_\_
- C** **Alleluia. Alleluia. Show us | Your mercy, Lord,  
And grant us Your salvation. | Alleluia. \_\_**

*The service continues with The Triple Hallelujah and The Gospel, p. 20-21.*

# Fling Wide the Doors, Unbar the Gates

Macht hoch die Tür  
Georg Weissel, 1642  
Tr., Paul Rydecki, 2014

Macht hoch die Tür  
Johann A. Feylinghausen, 1704



1. Fling wide the doors, un - bar the gates! The King of glo - ry rides in state,
2. A right - eous King He comes to be, His cha - riot is hu - mi - li - ty.
3. Oh blest the land, the ci - ty blest, Where Christ the King is now con - fessed.



A king - ly King of low - ly birth, A Sav - ior sent for all the earth.  
His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness, His scep - ter, mer - cy for th'op - prest.  
Oh blest the hearts, cor - rupt with sin, Where Christ the King now en - ters in.



Sal - va - tion, life He comes to bring, Where - fore re - joi - ce and glad - ly sing:  
An end to all our woes He brings, Where - fore re - joi - ce and glad - ly sing:  
The Sun of Right - eous - ness is He, Who brings for - give - ness, joy and peace.



All glo - ry, praise, and laud To our Cre - a - tor God!  
May Christ, our God and Lord, Be wor - shiped and a - dored!  
May God be glo - ri - fied, Our Com - for - ter and Guide.

4. Unbar the gates, the doors fling wide!  
Prepare your hearts this Adventide.  
Adorn the branch of godliness  
With joy, devotion, love and bliss.  
Your King draws near; He comes to you,  
With life and health, salvation, too.  
To God on high be praise  
For matchless deeds of grace.
5. Oh, come, dear King, Your peace impart,  
Your Word has opened wide my heart.  
Oh, come, and enter with Your grace,  
Show us Your kind and friendly face.  
Oh, grant Your Spirit's help, that we  
Your heav'nly kingdom's light may see.  
Unto Your name, O Lord,  
Be praise and thanks outpoured.