

Service Folder



The Third Sunday in Advent

Gaudete – “Rejoice!”

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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 God's Word 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...

- TODAY - Decorate the church for Christmas, after the service
 - Wed., Dec. 18 - Advent Supper, 5:30 PM
 - Advent Vespers, 6:15 PM
 - Sun., Dec. 22 - Bible Class/Sunday School, 9AM
 - Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 3)
 - Church Christmas party, 12 PM at the Poppy's house
 - 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

TLH #62 - Oh Come Oh Come Emmanuel

HYMN (after the Creed)

God's Only Son, Our Savior (back page)

HYMN (after General Prayer)

TLH #65 - When Sinners See Their Lost Condition

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

TLH #305 - Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness

First: Mal. 3:1-6

Epistle: 1 Cor. 4:1-5

Gospel: Matt. 11:2-10

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

INTROIT

Phil. 4:4-5; Ps. 85:1,2,6,8

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.



- C** 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: Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord!)
- P** Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!
- C** Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.
- P** Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving,
- C** let your requests be made known to God;
- P** LORD, You have been favorable to Your land;
- C** You have brought back the captivity of Jacob.
- P** You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people;
- C** You have covered all their sin.
- P** Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?
- C** I will hear what God the Lord will speak, for He will speak peace to His people.
- 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.
- C** (Sing Refrain 2x)

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

THE GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH (after the Epistle)

Ps. 80:1b, 2b, 1a; 80:2b



- P** You who dwell between the cher- | ubim, shine forth! * Stir up | Your strength and come! __
Give ear, O Shepherd | of Israel, * You who lead Jo- | seph like a flock. __
- C** Alleluia. Alleluia. | Stir up Your strength, *
and come and save us! | Alleluia. __

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

God's Only Son, Our Savior

Elisabeth Cruciger, 1524
Tr. Paul Rydecki, 2018

HERR CHRIST, DER EINIG GOTTS SOHN

1 God's on - ly Son, our Sav - ior, From God's own bo - som
2 Born of a vir - gin - mo - ther— Pure, chaste, and un - de -
3 May we, in Thee a - bid - ing, In faith and love in -

came, E - ter - nal - ly be - got - ten, In es - sence e'er the
filed— He came in time, our Broth - er, A pre - cious hu - man
crease, That we, in Thee con - fid - ing, May serve in joy and

same. True Light from Light pro - ceed - ing, His bright - ness ne'er re -
Child. Grim death for us en - dur - ing, Our heav'n - ly home se -
peace, That e'en here in our weak - ness We yet may taste Thy

ce - ding, He is the Mor - ning Star.
cur - ing, He now hath life re - stored.
sweet - ness And ev - er thirst for Thee.

4 O Thou of all Creator,
By Thine own pow'r and might,
Reign mightily o'er all things,
As pleasing in Thy sight;
Turn Thou our hearts from sinning,
Remove sin's first beginning,
Lest we from Thee should stray.

5 Lord, slay us with Thy kindness,
And raise us up by grace;
Destroy the Old Man's vigor,
That we may life embrace.
And while below we wander
Help us Thy love to ponder
That we may love Thee more.