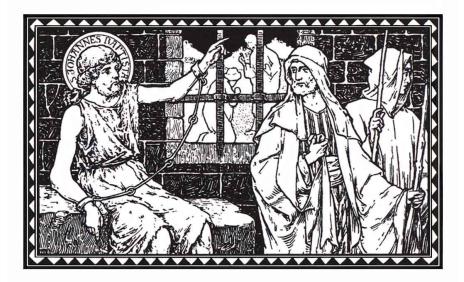
# Service Folder



## The Third Sunday in Advent *Gaudete – "Rejoice!"* December 13, 2020

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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 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	-	Bible Class/Sunday School, 9AM
	-	Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 3)
Wed., Dec. 16	-	Advent Vespers 6 PM
Sun., Dec. 20	-	Bible class & Sunday School, 9 AM
	-	Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 4)
Wed., Dec. 23	-	Advent Vespers 6 PM
Thur., Dec. 24	-	Christmas Eve Vespers, 6:30 PM
Fri., Dec. 25	-	Christmas Day Divine Service, 10 AM
Sat., Dec. 26	-	Matins for St. Stephen, 10 AM
Sun., Dec. 27	-	No Bible class or Sunday School
	-	Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Festival of St. John)

### PROPERS

## Advent 3

#### OPENING HYMN

HYMN (after the Creed) HYMN (after General Prayer) DISTRIBUTION HYMN TLH #62 - Oh Come Oh Come Emmanuel God's Only Son, Our Savior (back page) TLH #65 - When Sinners See Their Lost Condition TLH #305 - Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness

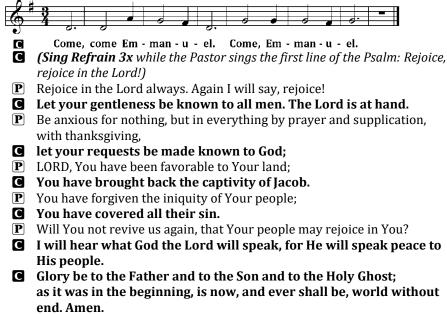
**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 **Gospel:** Matthew 11:2-10

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.



**G** (Sing Refrain 2x)

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

THE GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH (after the Epistle) Ps. 80:11

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



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. 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.