

# Service Insert

for the First Sunday in Advent

December 3, 2023

## THE INTROIT *(after the 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 long.**
- P** Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for You.
- C** **Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen. (Sing Refrain 2x)**

## THE GRADUAL & VERSE *(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. \_\_**



Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

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## HYMNS

<b>OPENING HYMN</b>	<i>TLH #55 – Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come</i>
<b>HYMN</b> <i>(after the Creed)</i>	<i>TLH #74 – Once He Came in Blessing</i>
<b>HYMN</b> <i>(after General Prayer)</i>	<i>TLH #58 – O Lord How Shall I (st. 1-7, first tune)</i>
<b>DISTRIBUTION HYMNS</b>	<i>TLH #73 – Fling Wide the Door (second tune)</i> <i>TLH #304 – An Awe-full Mystery Is Here</i>

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## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**Epistle:** *Romans 13:11-14*

**Gospel:** *Matthew 21:1-9*

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**A door offering** for our two missions in South America will be collected today. This will be in addition to the gifts already designated for them in our budget.

**Advent Suppers.** Our tradition is to have supper together before our Wednesday Vespers in Advent. There will be only two Wednesday services this year, since Pastor Rydecki will be in Oregon for the third Wednesday in Advent. Please see the signup sheet in the entryway if you would like to provide some or all of the meal for next Wednesday (Dec. 13). This Wednesday (Dec. 6) is already covered!

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Dec. 7           Aiden P.  
Dec. 9           Gary N.

## EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

TODAY           - Potluck and congregational meeting, after the service  
Wed., Dec. 6   - Supper, 5:45 PM; Vespers, 6:30 PM  
Sun., Dec. 10   - Bible class, 9 AM; Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 2)