

Service Insert

for the Third Sunday in Advent

December 17, 2023

INTROIT *(after The Confession of Sins)*

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 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 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 congregation then sings:



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

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN

TLH #62 - Oh Come Oh Come Emmanuel

HYMN *(after the Creed)*

God's Only Son, Our Savior (Service Booklet, p.10)

HYMN *(after General Prayer)*

TLH #65 - When Sinners See Their Lost Condition

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

TLH #305 - Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *1 Corinthians 4:1-5*

Gospel: *Matthew 11:2-10*

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Dec. 19 Peter Z.
Dec. 22 Audra P.
Dec. 26 Debbie S.
Dec. 30 Michael W.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

TODAY - Decorate church for Christmas, after the service
Wed., Dec. 20 - **No Vespers**
Sun., Dec. 24 - Bible class, 9 AM; Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Advent 4)
 - Christmas Eve Service, 6:30 PM
Mon., Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Divine Service, 10:15 AM
Wed., Dec. 27 - **No Vespers**
Sun., Dec. 31 - **No Bible Class**; Divine Service, 10:15 AM