

Service Insert

for the Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 24, 2023

INTROIT (after The Confession of Sins)

Isaiah 45:8; Psalm 19:1, 4-6

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: Rain down, O heav'ns, from above!)

P Rain down, you heavens, from above, *

C And let the skies pour down righteousness;

P Let the earth open her womb, *

C And bring forth salvation.

P The heavens declare the glory of God; *

C And the firmament shows His handiwork.

P Their line is gone out into all the earth, *

C And their words to the end of the world.

P In the heavens He has set a tabernacle for the sun, *

C Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber.

P Its rising is from one end of the heaven, *

C And its circuit to the other end.

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 The Lord is near to all who | call upon Him,
To all who call up- | on Him in truth. _
My mouth shall speak the | praise of the Lord,
And all flesh shall bless | His holy name. _

C Alleluia. Alleluia. You are my help and my | deliverer;
Do not delay, O my God. | Alleluia. _



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

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN

TLH #95 - Savior of the Nations, Come

HYMN *(after the Creed)*

Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding (Booklet, p. 11)

HYMN *(after General Prayer)*

TLH #69 - Arise Sons of the Kingdom

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

TLH #311 - Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: *Philippians 4:4-7*

Gospel: *John 1:19-28*

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Dec. 26 Debbie S.
Dec. 30 Michael W.
Jan. 4 Karen K.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

TODAY - 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