



**10 am Worship, December 4, 2022**

**Second Sunday of Advent  
Feast of St. Nicholas Celebration**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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## Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship

### Prelude

Chorale and Variations on "Comfort, Comfort Now My People" J. Pachelbel  
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René Milam, organ

### Welcome & Announcements

### Invocation

Pastor: In this holy season of Advent, we are gathered in the name of the Father, ☩ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

### Gathering Hymn

Prepare the Royal Highway

ELW 264

- 1 Prepare the royal highway;  
the King of kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley  
a level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory,  
foretold in sacred story:

#### *Refrain*

Hosanna to the Lord,  
for he fulfills God's word!

- 2 God's people, see him coming:  
your own eternal king!  
Palm branches strew before him!  
Spread garments! Shout and sing!  
God's promise will not fail you!  
No more shall doubt assail you! *Refrain*
- 3 Then fling the gates wide open  
to greet your promised king!  
Your king, yet ev'ry nation  
its tribute too may bring.  
All lands will bow before him;  
their voices join your singing: *Refrain*



- 4 His is no earthly kingdom;  
it comes from heav'n above.  
His rule is peace and freedom  
and justice, truth, and love.  
So let your praise be sounding  
for kindness so abounding: *Refrain*

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772-1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
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## Temple Talk

Hypothermia Prevention Week, January 8-15 by Deacon Dave Larrabee

## Special Music\*

Prepare Ye The Way

Chorus

Prepare ye the way  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord  
Prepare ye the way  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Verse

Yeshua You reign on high  
You reign on high  
Almighty God Your love is like no other  
(REPEAT)

Interlude

Your love is like no other yeah

Ending

Prepare ye the way  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

CCLI Song # 5286041  
Michael W. Smith



## Faith Story

Elizabeth Raabe

### Faith Story Song\*

This Little Light of Mine

- 1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual

## Word: God Speaks to Us in Scriptures and Prayer

### Children's Message

Prayer and Lighting the Second Advent Candle, The Candle of Peace

#### Prayer

Leader: Gracious God, give us your peace, your shalom. Where your children struggle with each other, with poverty, homelessness, hunger and sickness—Lord, bless your people with your peace. As we light this candle and watch for Messiah, we pray for your Prince of Peace to come.

**All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

*Children are invited to Bible storytelling time in the chapel following the children's message.*

### Gospel Acclamation

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v.2)

ELW 257



2 O come, O Wisdom from on high,  
embracing all things far and nigh:  
in strength and beauty come and stay;  
teach us your will and guide our way. *Refrain*

*Refrain*

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.

Text: *Psalteriolum Cantionum Catholicarum*, Köln, 1710; tr. composite  
Text sts. 2, 6, 7 © 1997 Augsburg Fortress.  
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**Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12**

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of Matthew the third chapter.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord!**

Pastor: <sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.’”

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!



## All: Praise to you, O Christ!

### Special Music

Comfort, Comfort Now My People

ELW 256

Text: Johann G. Olearius, 1635-1711; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

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Megan Gerbracht, soprano , Deborah Collier, flute, and René Milam, organ

### Message

“Bear Fruit” based upon Matthew 3 by Pastor Tony Prinsen

### Hymn of the Day

On Jordan's Bank, The Baptist's Cry

ELW 249

- 1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
announces that the Lord is nigh;  
awake and hearken, for he brings  
glad tidings of the King of kings!
- 2 Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin;  
make straight the way for God within,  
and let us all our hearts prepare  
for Christ to come and enter there.
- 3 We hail you as our Savior, Lord,  
our refuge and our great reward;  
without your grace we waste away  
like flow'rs that wither and decay.
- 4 Stretch forth your hand, our health restore,  
and make us rise to fall no more;  
oh, let your face upon us shine  
and fill the world with love divine.
- 5 All praise to you, eternal Son,  
whose advent has our freedom won,  
whom with the Father we adore,  
and Holy Spirit, evermore.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. composite



## **Prayers of Intercession**

Pastor: As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

Pastor: God of all, break down barriers of culture and custom and unite people of all faiths in your redemptive and healing work. God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of wonder, the earth's beauty and abundance is your gift. Teach us your ways of sharing resources and caring for life. God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of peace, strengthen the resolve of all who work for an end to war. We pray for peace in Ukraine. God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of lovingkindness, bring help and hope to any who are sick or needing your care. We pray for... God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of community, you are present when we gather in your name. Keep us alert to unexpected opportunities for mission. God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of promise, we give thanks for the lives of the faithful who now rest in you. We trust that you will bring us into the company of all the saints with rejoicing. God, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of our longing, by your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.

**All: Amen.**

## **Offering**

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at [www.elcvienna.org/give](http://www.elcvienna.org/give) or mailed into the church. Every gift matters!

## **Offering Music\***

Soul on Fire

Chorus 1

God I'm running for Your heart



I'm running for Your heart  
'Til I am a soul on fire  
Lord I'm longing for Your ways  
I'm waiting for the day  
When I am a soul on fire  
( 'Til I am a soul on fire)

#### Verse

Lord restore the joy I had  
I have wandered bring me back  
In this darkness lead me through  
Until all I see is You yeah

#### Bridge

Lord let me burn for You again  
Let me return to You again  
And Lord let me burn for You again  
And let me return to You again

#### Chorus 2

God I'm running for Your heart  
I'm running for Your heart  
'Til I am a soul on fire  
'Til I am a soul on fire  
'Til I am a soul on fire

CCLI Song # 7032679

Brenton Brown | David Carr | Mac Powell | Mark Lee | Matt Maher | Tai Anderson

## **Meal: Jesus Gives Us Forgiveness and Life**

### **Holy Communion Words of Institution**

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray..



**All: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God! Come all are welcome!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## Communion Instructions

*All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be dipped in wine and handed to you. Pre-sealed communion sets and gluten-free wafers are available upon request. We have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communing children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.*

## Communion Music

Lamb of God (Advent/Christmas) (organ)

[To the tune of O Come, O Come Emmanuel]



O Lamb of God you take a-way our sin; have mer-cy on us, give\_ us your  
peace. Pre- pare us to re- ceive\_ your grace and teach us how to fol - low your ways. Re-  
joice! Re- joice! E - man - u - el has come to you, O Is - ra-el.

"Lamb of God (Advent/Christmas)" by David Eck, Copyright ©2020. Used by permission of the author.



## Communion Song\*

What Feast of Love

ELW 487

- 1 What feast of love is offered here,  
what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life,  
what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
How sweet the manna given!
- 2 What light of truth is offered here,  
what covenant from heaven?  
What hope of everlasting life,  
what wondrous word is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the sun come down from heaven.  
Oh, see and hear and sing!  
The Word of God is given!
- 3 What wine of love is offered here,  
what crimson drink from heaven?  
What stream of everlasting life,  
what precious blood is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the sweetest wine of heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
The Son of God is given!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939  
Onelicense.net 98260.

## **Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World**

### **Blessing**

Pastor: God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus, and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit, ☩ bless you now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

### **Sending Song\***

Everlasting God



### Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord  
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord

### Pre-Chorus

Our God You reign forever  
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

### Chorus

You are the everlasting God  
The everlasting God  
You do not faint  
You won't grow weary  
You're the defender of the weak  
You comfort those in need  
You lift us up on wings like eagles

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### **Sending**

Leader: Go in peace, sharing signs of peace!  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

### **Recessional Music\***

Everlasting God  
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**\*Revelation Ensemble Songs.**

**Thank you so much for worshipping with us!**

### **Our Mission and Vision**

Our mission is to nurture, grow, and share our Christian faith as Lutherans in a multi-cultural world. We envision Emmanuel Lutheran Church as a



welcoming, vibrant, growing, and faith-filled Christian community whose participants generously share their time, talents, and resources in a changing world.

### **Our Welcome Statement**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church welcomes all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome and affirm full participation by all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, culture, national origin, citizenship status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, relationship or socio-economic status, addictions, physical or mental health, disability, imprisonment, age, or other circumstances. OUR UNITY IS IN CHRIST.

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