

be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.

Si - lent night,

ho - ly night!
ho - ly night!
ho - ly night!

Glo ri - a

in ex - cel - sis

De - o

Go tell it on the moun - tain,

An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing
in - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous

Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing,
Christ, by high - est heav'n
Hail the heav'n

go tell it on the moun - tain

and the moun-tains in re - ply,
What the glad-some tid - ings be -
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee
ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
which in - spire your heav'n

that Je - sus Christ is born!

1 In - fant ho - ly, in - fan -
2 Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herd

A - way in a man - ger,
The cat - tle are low - ing;
Be near me, Lord Je - sus;

all Chris - tians sing to hear the news

In the order of service, the words
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

Instructions for in-person worship.

-) Keep your mask on at all times, except when receiving communion.*
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NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24, 2021 • 7:00 p.m.

Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them,

“Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

*“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”*

—LUKE 2:9-14

Prelude

Welcome / Announcements

Christmas Eve Litany

We gather into the sanctuary of this space tonight.

**We gather in from the darkness and cold of the world,
in which violence and hatred still find hold,
healing has not come,
and provision is not made for the least among us.**

We have awaited our savior, and now...

**He comes that we might have love.
He comes that we might have peace.**

We come seeking a light to burn bright in the midst of the darkness.

We come seeking a word of hope to sustain.

We have awaited our savior, and now...

**He comes that we might have light.
He comes that we might have hope.**

We search for one who will offer a graciousness the world cannot,

Who shows us a way of life the world fails to reveal.

We have awaited our savior, and now...

**He comes that we might have life.
Immanuel comes that we might have life forevermore!**

Opening Hymn • “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 283



- 1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, “Glo - ry to the new - born king;
- 2 Christ, by high - est heav’n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
- 3 Hail the heav’n - born Prince of peace! Hail the Sun of righ - teous - ness!



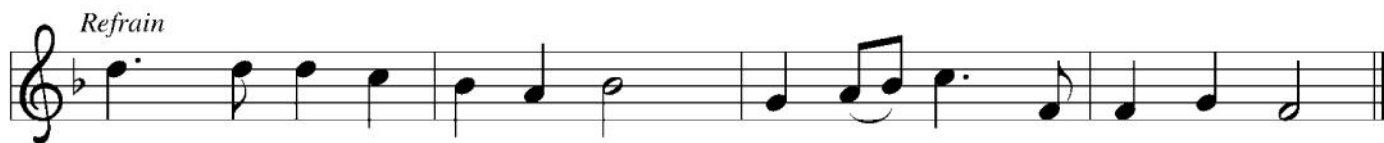
peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled.”
late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of a vir - gin’s womb.
Light and life to all he brings, ris’n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, “Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!”
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
born to raise each child of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, “Glo - ry to the new - born king!”

Greeting

For unto us a child is born! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Evening

Almighty God,
you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light.
Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence
and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn • "He Came Down"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 253



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|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | He came down that we may have love; | he came down that we may have love; |
| 2 | He came down that we may have light; | he came down that we may have light; |
| 3 | He came down that we may have peace; | he came down that we may have peace; |
| 4 | He came down that we may have joy; | he came down that we may have joy; |



he came down that we may have love;	
he came down that we may have light;	
he came down that we may have peace;	hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.
he came down that we may have joy;	

First Reading

A reading from Isaiah.

Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

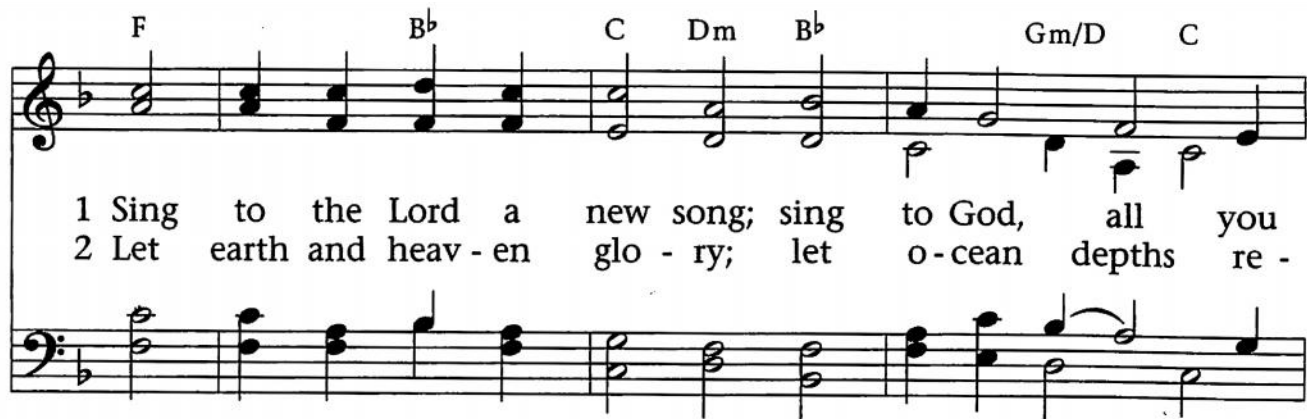
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96 • "Sing to the Lord a New Song"

Psalms for All Seasons #96F

F B \flat C Dm B \flat Gm/D C



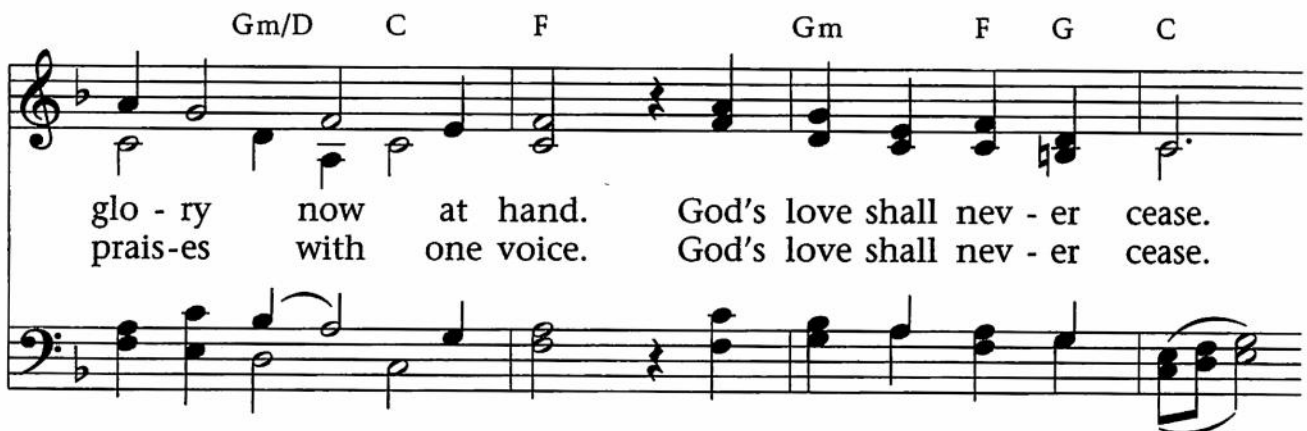
1 Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to God, all you
2 Let earth and heav - en glo - ry; let o - cean depths re -

F B \flat C Dm B \flat



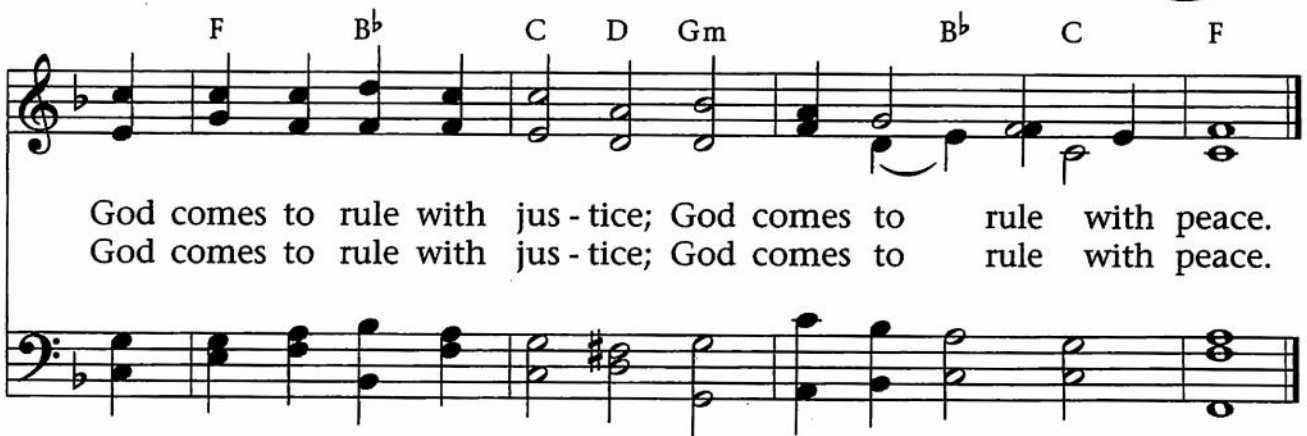
lands. Sing of sal - va - tion al - ways; God's
joyce. Let hills and plains and for - ests sing

Gm/D C F Gm F G C



glo - ry now at hand. God's love shall nev - er cease.
prais-es with one voice. God's love shall nev - er cease.

F B \flat C D Gm B \flat C F



God comes to rule with jus - tice; God comes to rule with peace.
God comes to rule with jus - tice; God comes to rule with peace.

Second Reading

A reading from Titus.

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation • “Hallelujah Song”

Frank Hernandez

*Cantor sings first, **then all sing.***

*Cantor sings top line of music; **congregation sings bottom line.***

Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ He is Lord,_____ He is

Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ Hal-le - lu - jah! He is Lord,

The first system of the musical score is written in treble and bass staves. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 6/8. The melody for the cantor is on the top staff, and the congregation part is on the bottom staff. The lyrics are: Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ He is Lord,_____ He is. The bottom staff lyrics are: Hal-le - lu - jah!_____ Hal-le - lu - jah! He is Lord,.

6 Lord,_____ Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____

He is Lord, Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____

The second system of the musical score continues the melody. It includes a first ending bracket labeled '1.' over the final measure of the system. The lyrics for the cantor are: Lord,_____ Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____. The lyrics for the congregation are: He is Lord, Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____.

10 2. _____

Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____

Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____

The third system of the musical score includes a second ending bracket labeled '2.' over the final measure of the system. The lyrics for the cantor are: Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____. The lyrics for the congregation are: Hal - le - lu - jah, Je - sus is Lord!_____.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Briana R. Merkle.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Hymn of the Evening • “Love Has Come”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 270



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to
what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

Nicene Creed

Together, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the Church

Joining our voices with the heavenly host
and Christians throughout time and space,
let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Restore us and let your face shine upon us.

Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us,
we commend these prayers to you,
confident of your grace and love
made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

You can mail an offering to:

Mountain View Lutheran Church
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You can give electronically:

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

-) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
-) Hover over the “GIVE” dropbox.
-) Choose “Make a Donation via Bank Account” or “Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card.”
-) Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue “GIVE” button.
-) If you want it to remember your information, visit “SIGN IN” and create an account.
-) NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check “Make this Gift Recurring.”

For those worshiping in person, you are invited to leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.

Offertory • “Away in a Manger”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 277



1 A - way in a man - ger, no crib for his bed, the lit - tle Lord
2 The cat - tle are low - ing; the ba - by a - wakes, but lit - tle Lord
3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask you to stay close by me for -



Je - sus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked
Je - sus, no cry - ing he makes. I love you, Lord Je - sus; look
ev - er and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear chil - dren in



down where he lay, the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
down from the sky and stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
your ten - der care and fit us for heav - en, to live with you there.

Offering Prayer

Gracious God,

your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth.

As we offer ourselves and these your gifts,

prepare us to receive the grace and truth

you offer at this table

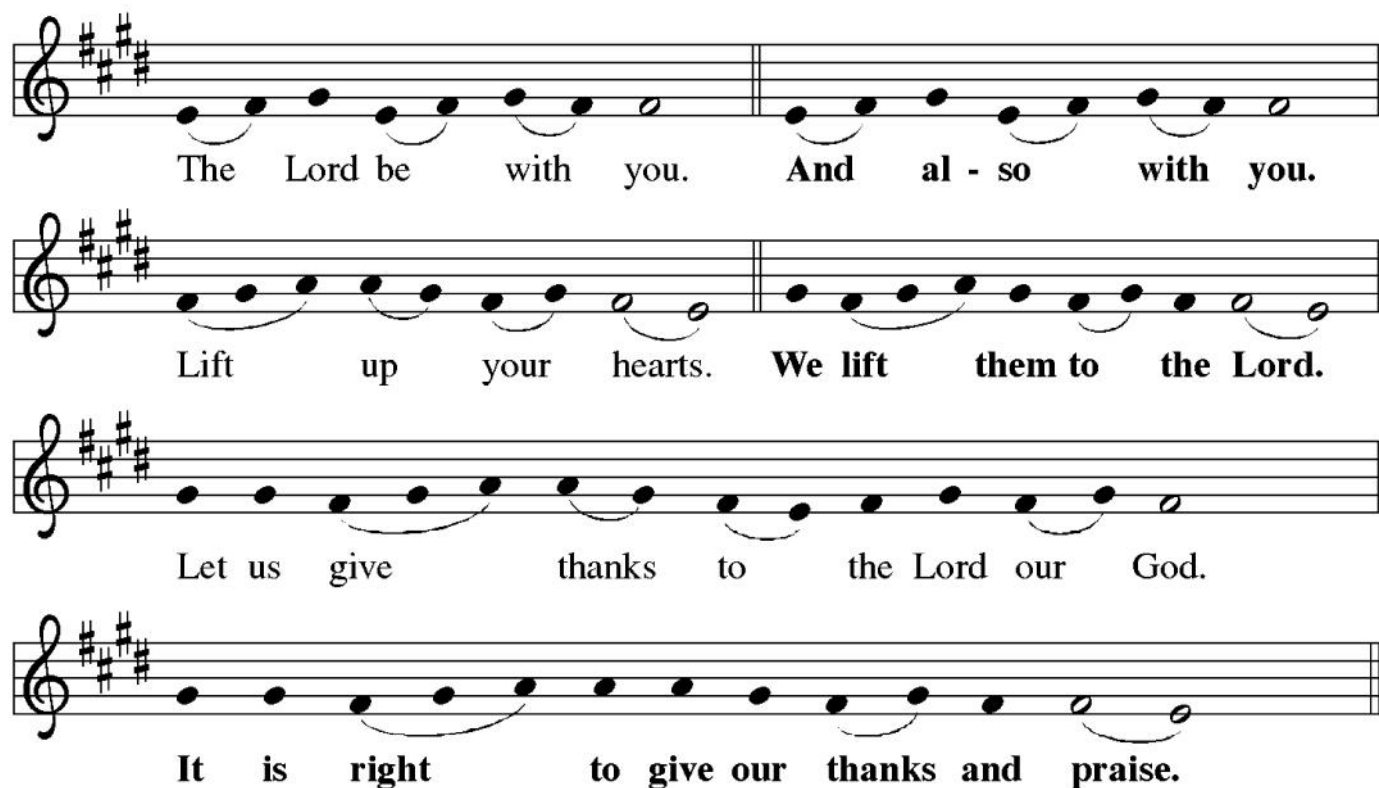
and renew in us the song of your salvation,

in Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

Evangelical Lutheran Worship S 152



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs. The lyrics are written below each staff.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times in in all places
give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh
you have opened the eyes of faith
to a new and radiant vision of your glory,
that beholding the God made visible,
we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name
and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Evangelical Lutheran Worship S 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Communion

In Christ's manger, at Christ's table,
come, see what God makes known for you.

Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

After you receive communion, please pick up a candle from the center aisle as you return to your seat.

Lamb of God

Evangelical Lutheran Worship S 154



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Song • "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 279



O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
For Christ is born of Mar - y, and, gath - ered all a - bove
How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is giv'n!
O ho - ly child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won-d'ring love.
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heav'n.
cast out our sin, and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.



yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing light.
O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth,
No ear may hear his com - ing; but, in this world of sin,
We hear the Christ-mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
and prais - es sing to God the king, and peace to all the earth!
where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
oh, come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Im - man - u - el!

Communion Song • "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 283



1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O
 2 The high - est, most ho - ly, light of light e - ter - nal,
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;



come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 born of a vir - gin, a mor - tal he comes;
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!
 Je - sus, to thee be . . . glo - ry giv'n!

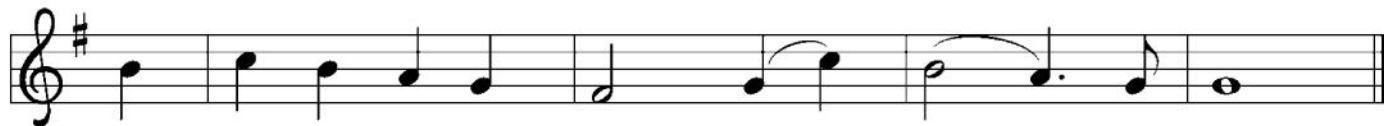


come and be - hold him, born the king of an - gels:
 Son of the Fa - ther now in flesh ap - pear - ing!
 Glo - ry to God . . . in . . . the . . . high - est:
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

Refrain



Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,



ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
 O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!

Communion Song • “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 276



1 In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;
2 Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new



ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the child is Lord of all.
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.



Swift - ly wing - ing, an - gels sing - ing, bells are ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus,
God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine.
As we have shared this feast of love,
strengthen us to share your love with all the world.
In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Lighting of the Candles

“The Coventry Carol” / “The First Nowell”
Brenna Sage, piano

Candlelight Hymn • "Silent Night, Holy Night!"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 281

Everyone is asked to make the sign of the cross with their candles, during each verse, following the lead of the pastor, as a remembrance of our baptisms.



	Stil - le	Nacht,	hei - li-ge	Nacht!	Al - les	schläft,
1	Si - lent	night,	ho - ly	night!	All	is calm,
2	Si - lent	night,	ho - ly	night!	Shep - herds	quake
3	Si - lent	night,	ho - ly	night!	Son	of God,



ein - sam	wacht	nur	das	trau - te,	hoch - hei - li - ge	Paar.
all	is	bright	round	yon	vir - gin	moth - er and child.
at	the	sight;	glo - ries	stream	from heav - en	a - far,
love's	pure	light	ra - diant	beams	from your	ho - ly face,



Hold - er	Kna - be	im	lok - ki - gen	Haar,	schlaf	in	himm - li - scher
Ho - ly	In - fant,	so	ten - der	and mild,	sleep	in	heav - en - ly
heav'n - ly	hosts . . .	sing,	al - le - lu - ia!	Christ,	the	Sav - ior,	is
with	the	dawn	of re - deem - ing	grace,	Je - sus,	Lord,	at your



Ruh,	schlaf	in	himm - li - scher	Ruh.
peace,	sleep	in	heav - en - ly	peace.
born!	Christ,	the	Sav - ior,	is born!
birth,	Je - sus,	Lord,	at your	birth.

Blessing

The God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
so that we may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
through Christ Jesus, the Word made flesh.

Amen.

Extinguish candles at the conclusion of the blessing.

*Please continue to hold onto your candle once it is extinguished,
in order that wax doesn't get onto the chairs or floor.
Place your candle in the provided boxes when you exit the worship space
at the conclusion of the service.*

Sending Hymn • “Joy to the World”

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 267



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the



ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -



room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
plains re - peat the sound-ing joy, re - peat the sound-ing
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Sending

Christ is born! Go tell it on the mountain and everywhere!

Thanks be to God.

Poinsettias

*The poinsettias on the altar and in the Sanctuary worship space
are given to the glory of God*

by Jeanne Anderson
in memory of Bill, Gertie, and Karl Winter

by Joe and Rosemarie Anderson
in memory of Joe's brother Clif and Rosemarie's brother Bobby

by John and Myrna Anderson
in memory of Kevin Anderson and Dean Inglin

by Carolee Berntsen and Chris Berntsen
in memory of Dave Berntsen

by Nan Bolin
in memory and honor of Joseph Bolin, daughter Julianne, and grandson Dusty J. Craig

by Alan and Lois Carlson
to the glory of God

by Pat Clement
in memory of Helen C. Miller, SMD, and Helen, Ben, and Michael McFeeley

by Mary Beth Dahl
in memory of Art and Lucille Dahl

by Ken and Barb Edmonds
in memory of Pastor Aubrey Edmonds and Helen and Alden Erickson Sr. and Alma

by Ed and Barb Egan
in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Egan and Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Hoerz

by Jacque Fauber
in memory of Cass Fauber and Ned Kofford

by Karen Fink
in memory of Paul Fink and Chad McHenry

by Rich and Jackie Hanenburg
in honor of their grandchildren

by Rick and Karen Hansen
in memory of their parents, Walt and Freda Hendrickson and Don and Gladys Hansen

by Skip and Janice Harrison
in honor of their grandkids, Paige and Joel

by Loren and Ellen Leapaltd
in honor of their children and grandchildren; in memory of Loren's parents, Ed and Sally Leapaltd; and in memory of Ellen's mother and grandparents, Ruth Witt and Sig and Florence Anderson

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in memory of Thom Lindbo

by Vic and Joanne Lindstrom
in honor of their family

by the Lysne family
in memory of their beloved who have gone before, including Pebbles

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in memory of their son John Herschel

by Connie McCrossin
in memory of John McCrossin

by Dorothy Nelson
in memory of Norm Nelson; her parents, Fred and Mary Wilhelm; sisters Irene Gordan and Betty Roland; and brothers Albert Wilhelm and Fred Wilhelm, Jr.

by Lindy and Diane Nelson
in memory of their parents and their son Eric

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in loving memory of their son Hans Petersen; and parents, Ken and Clair Petersen and Raymond and Luella Rowberg

by Gloria Ratcliffe
in memory of her mother, husband, and daughter

by Rod and Chris Ray
in honor of Tate Longabaugh and Jonah Ray

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in memory of their son Michael Allen, their parents, and Barrie Mott

by Kim Soeder
in memory of Joe and Dot Whelan

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in memory of Bruce Tunstall and their parents

by Marlene Wright
in memory of her parents Harry and Avis Sprague

by Bob and Ann Yost
in memory of their grandparents

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- WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Bob Linden.
- CANTOR: Hannah Johnsrud.
- CRUCIFER: Jarod Wright.
- USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Eileen Newton, Betsy Tunstall, Keith Wright.
- ACOLYTES: Alison Hutton, Colin Hutton.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Amy Lewis, Marlene Wright.
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Ask a Seminary Student

Sunday, December 26, 2021 • 10:30 a.m. • Life Together Hall

MVLC member Hannah Johnsrud is home for Christmas break from her studies at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. Sunday morning (12/26), immediately following the worship service, Hannah will lead a conversation and question-and-answer session in the Life Together Hall about her seminary experience to date. Come and learn about the faith journey of a future pastor of the Church!

Lifelong Faith Formation in the New Year

Rock Ministry and Adult Education, MVLC's lifelong faith formation programs start again on **Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.**

Kids age two through youth in twelfth grade are invited to participate in Rock Ministry, MVLC's version of Sunday school. Kids and youth meet with their peers and a team of adult mentors as they explore Bible stories and topics of faith. Classes meet in the Education Building.

Adults are invited to participate in Adult Education in the Life Together Hall. Classes are led by MVLC's pastors, professors from Pacific Lutheran University, members of MVLC ministry groups, and/or our various ministry partners and benevolence recipients.

Come and learn, one and all!

Holiday Hours

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- 1) **First Sunday of Christmas worship.** Sunday, December 26, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. (There is only one worship service this particular Sunday.)
- 2) **Second Sunday of Christmas worship.** Sunday, January 2, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. (There is only one worship service this particular Sunday.)
- 3) **Church Office closed.** The MVLC Church Office will be closed on Monday 12/27 and Tuesday 12/28.
- 4) **Church Office limited hours.** The MVLC Church Office will be open for limited hours on Wednesday 12/29 and Thursday 12/30. It is recommended that you call in advance if you need to visit.

Mountain View Community Center
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- MVCC Closed.** From Thursday, December 23, 2021 through Monday, January 3, 2022.

Edgewood Nourish Food Bank
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-) **Food Bank Closed.** Saturday, December 25, 2021
-) **Food Bank Open.** Thursday, December 30, 2021. 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.
-) **Food Bank Closed.** Friday, December 31, 2021 and Saturday, January 1, 2022.