TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCHDecember 1, 20241st Sunday of Advent9:30 amService of the Word - Holy Communion Setting 3 - ELW Year C

INTRODUCTION

Advent is about the "coming days." God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Jesus' contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper

PRELUDE

Announcements are on page 19-21.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

Please stand if you are able.

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

O faithful and loving God, we praise you for your tender compassion and give you thanks for your steadfast love for us and all creation. Bless us who see the light of this wreath, that we may be strengthened by the hope, of your advent among us, and live toward the completion of all things in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness. Light two can-dles to let the light ban-ish watch for Mes-si - ah: dark - ness. 2 Light three can-dles to let the light ban-ish watch for Mes-si - ah: dark - ness. 3 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness. He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise. He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward. your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King Lift of glo - ry. He com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights shin - ing! is be

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954 Music: TIF IN VELDELE, Yiddish folk tune Text © 1984 Fortress Press, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, alive in the world, reviving creation, arriving soon. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy, we confess that we have sinned. We trust earthly powers and human authority alone. We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.

God of might, we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from our neighbors. We have trusted false promises.

God in our midst, we confess that we have sinned. We plead: come to us. Bring your mercy to birth in us.

A righteous branch springs forth: it is Christ the Lord, our Savior, in whom we have forgiveness, life, and mercy. By the power of the Holy Spirit, receive the grace and forgiveness of God through + Christ Jesus, whose day draws near. **Amen.**

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

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Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907 Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

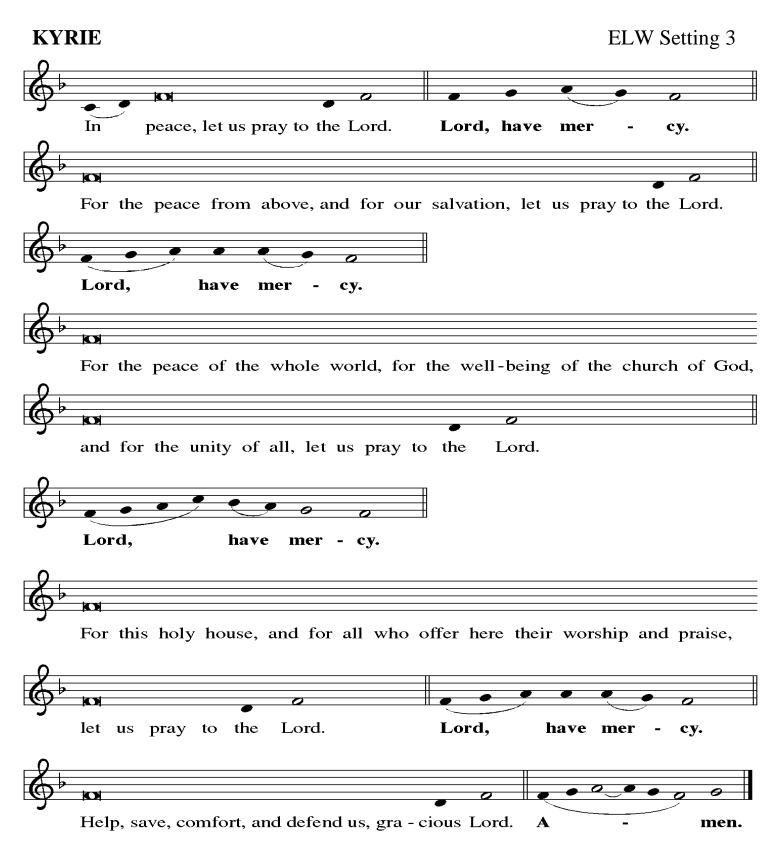
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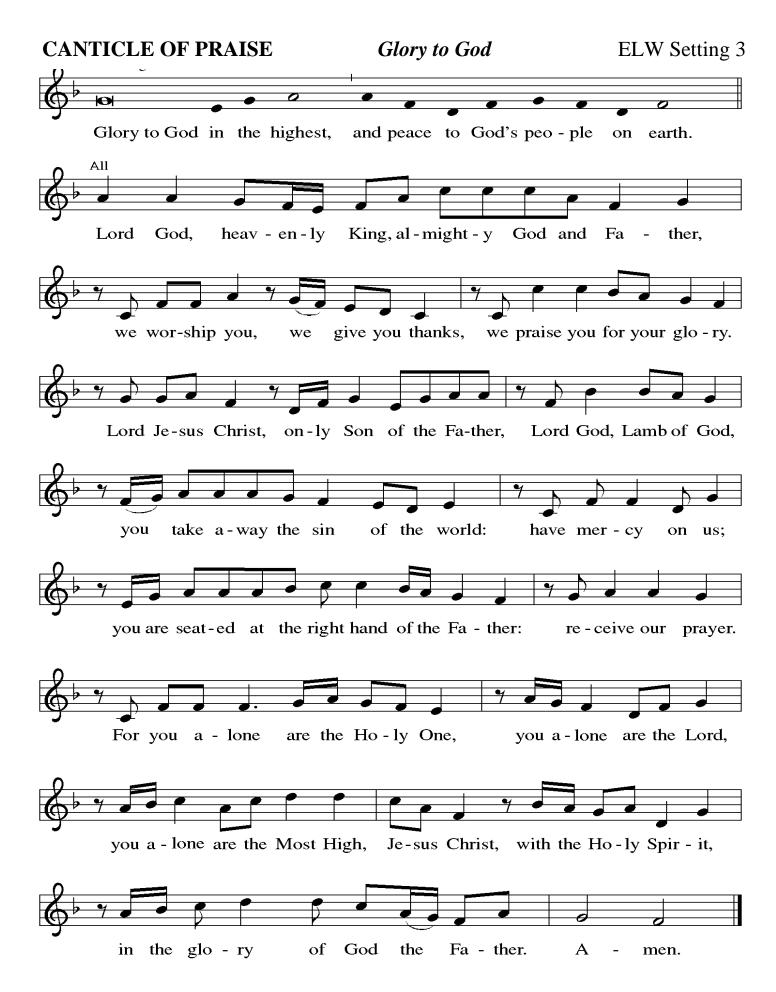
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's Jam, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16 The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10 ¹To [|] you, O LORD,

Read responsively

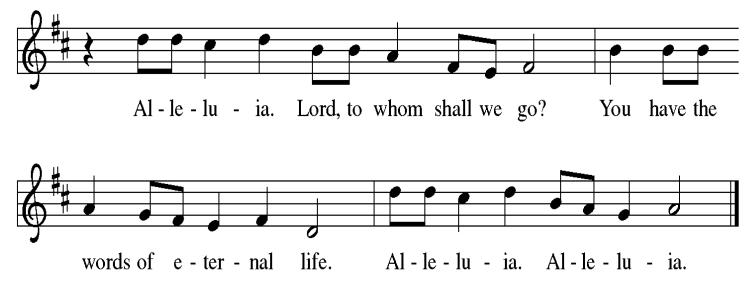
I lift [|] up my soul. ²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph¹ over me. ³Let none who look to you be | put to shame; rather let those be put to shame [|] who are treacherous. ⁴Show me your ¹ ways, O LORD, and teach | me your paths. ⁵Lead me in your ¹ truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all [|] the day long. ⁶Remember, O LORD, your compas-¹ sion and love, for they are from everlasting. ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and ¹ my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good-¹ ness, O LORD. ⁸You are gracious and up-¹right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners ¹ in your way. ⁹You lead the low-¹ly in justice and teach the low-¹ly your way. ¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast [|] love and faithfulness

to those who keep your covenant and your ¹ testimonies.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy gospel according to Luke, the 21st Chapter. Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36 The gospel of the Lord Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

REFLECTION

A brief silence for reflection.

Riley Dunton

Please stand if you are able. HYMN OF THE DAY

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Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608; tr. composite Music: WACHET AUF, Philipp Nicolai Text © 1999 Augsburg Fortress.

NICENE CREED

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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 Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we prepare for Emmanuel, God-with-us, let us pray for all people and places that long for God's presence. *A brief silence*

Each petition ends: Lord, in your mercy, **Receive our prayer.**

Prayers conclude with:

Savior of the nations, come, and receive these prayers and the pleas of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say: **Peace be with you.**

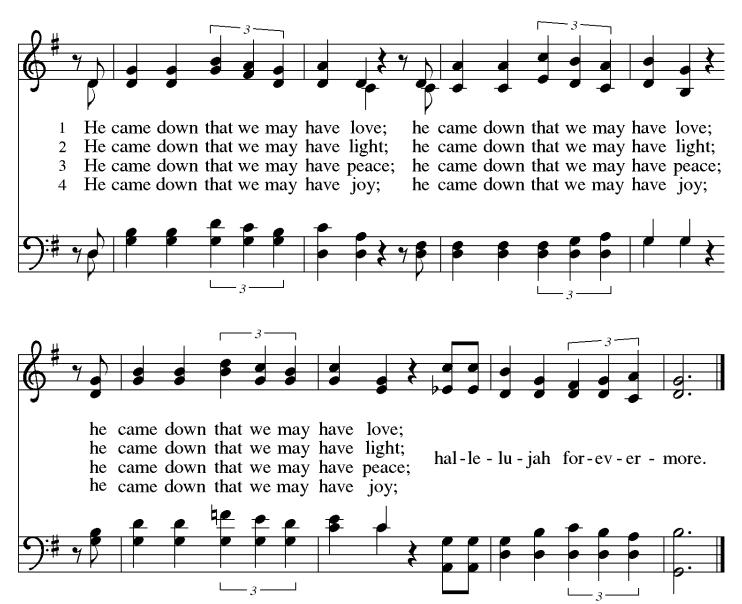
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OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

Special Piano music

Please stand if you are able.





Text: Cameroon traditional

Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional; arr. John L. Bell, b. 1949

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OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, you made the whole world, even the farthest stars, and you draw near to feed us. We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine. Strengthen us with this food that we may live in expectation for the advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE The Lord be with you. **And also 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Last Sunday, we were reminded that In the night in which he was betrayed, ...

Again, after supperDo this for the remembrance of me.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy spirit, all honor and glory is yours almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

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 has been pre-consecrated by Pastor Bob Kippley during worship service last week.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God feeds us with tender mercy. Come to the table. **Thanks be to God!**

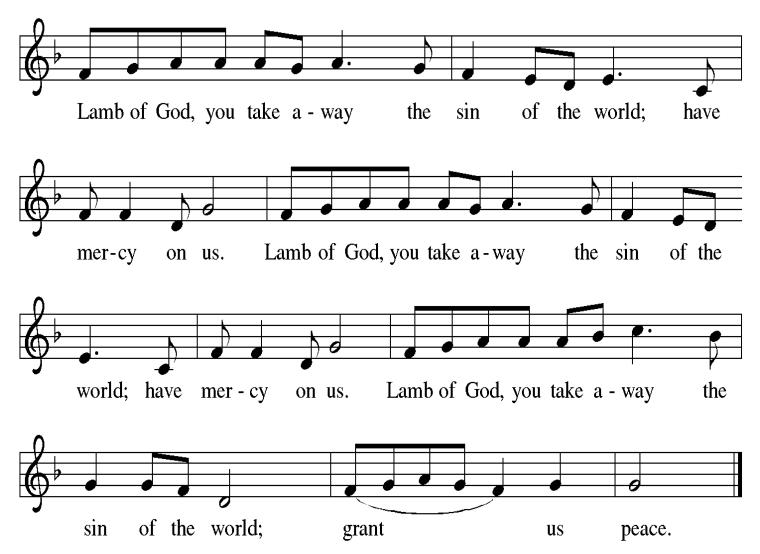
COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen. **The Lord's table** is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION SONG



COMMUNION HYMN

Please repeat until Communion is complete

Christ, Be Our Light



Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

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Please stand if you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous God, we thank you for the gift of life, for the bread of salvation. We thank you for coming among us, for leading us into peace. We thank you for showering us with mercy, for sending us into the world. Come, Lord Jesus, and go with us as we feed the hungry in your name. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

God of endings and beginnings, God in the darkness and the light, God, our hope for the journey, + bless and keep you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

People, Look East



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DISMISSAL Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel. Thanks be to God!

Disciples Serving: Today

Next Sunday

| Presider/Supply | Riley Dunton | Pastor Karen Matuska |
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| Assisting Minister: | Gwen Hedding | Riley Dunton |
| Pianist: | Dr. J. Michael Beck | Dr. J. Michael Beck |
| Altar Guild: | Connie Wisthoff/Cassie Walgrei | n Connie Wisthoff/Cassie Walgren |
| Ushers/Greeters: | Jerry Vargues | Jerry Vargues |
| Counters: | Nancy Piazza/Sue Kastelic | Kathy & Steve M/Leanne Neu |
| JAM: | Christmas Program Practice | Christmas Program Practice |

PRAYERS

| Members, Friends and Relatives | Added by Members |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Doris Ask | People of Tabor |
| Shirley Bass | People of Tabor |
| Robert Bogusch | Nephew of Kathy Lambert |
| Nicole Buttram | People of Tabor |
| Pam Cardinal | Sister of Clay Kashner |
| John Centa | Bowens Family |
| Shirley DeRungs | People of Tabor |
| Virgie Giannetto | Lynn Truxell |
| Nina Jesmain | People of Tabor |
| Sue Kastelic | People of Tabor |
| Will Nichols | Truxell & Vargues Families |
| Arlis Petersen | Mother of Leanne Neu |
| Audrey and Andrea Pitre | Friends of Emily Briggs |
| Pam Salas | People of Tabor |
| Jeremy Skaggs | Friend of the Wisthoff Family |
| Starcher Family | Friends of Emily Briggs |
| Zoey Stupnik | Vargues Family |
| Caitlan Thorne & Family | Granddaughter of Kathy Lambert |
| Marvin Truxell | Truxell & Vargues Families |
| Charlotte Vargues | People of Tabor |
| Linda Wagner | Lynn Truxell |

BIRTHDAYS

December 2 Derek Truxell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ⁺ The next Lay Minister meeting will be on Monday, December 9 at 6:00pm
- The Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 15th during worship. This is a family program and all ages are welcome to participate! Please contact Cyrisse if you are interested

Practice Schedule:Sunday, December 1stSunday, December 8thSaturday, December 14th:10:00am in Sanctuary (get costumes)

- Help decorate our sanctuary during the Christmas Season by purchasing a Poinsettia plant. The cost will be \$12 for each plant. Please fill out an order form (available in the Narthex) for each plant ordered and place in the Poinsettia envelope and turn in with your offering, welcome slip or the church office. Orders must be turned in by Sunday, December 8th. Plants may be taken home after Christmas Eve service.
- Christmas Eve Choir practice will be held following worship on December 1, December 8, December 15 and December 22 (if need be).
- Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be at 5:00pm on Tuesday, December 24th. Please bring your family and friends and join us for worship. No services will be held on Christmas Day.
- ¹ There are leftover Burritos and Green Chili available for donation. Each have been packaged, vacuumed sealed and frozen. Packages are label and are in the freezer in the parlor. Please contact Denise or Michelle.

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