

# ✠ Christmas Eve ✠

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Divine Service, setting 1

Hope Ev. Lutheran Church

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## ✠ Service of the Word ✠

## Entrance Hymn

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*  
LSB 384

1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the worlds be -  
 2 Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, When the vir - gin,  
 3 This is He whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with  
 4 O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore Him; An - gel hosts, His  
 △ 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho - ly



gan to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,  
 full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,  
 one ac - cord, Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets  
 prais - es sing. Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore Him  
 Ghost, to Thee Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing



He the source, the end - ing He, Of the things that are, that  
 Bore the Sav - ior of our race, And the babe, the world's Re -  
 Prom - ised in their faith - ful word. Now He shines, the long - ex -  
 And ex - tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be  
 And un - end - ing prais - es be, Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -

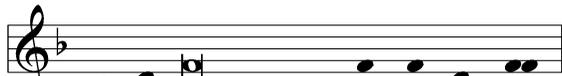


have been, And that fu - ture years shall see  
 deem - er, First re - vealed His sa - cred face  
 pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord  
 si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring  
 min - ion, And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry



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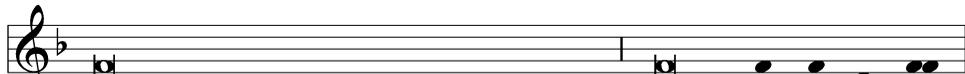
A - men.



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



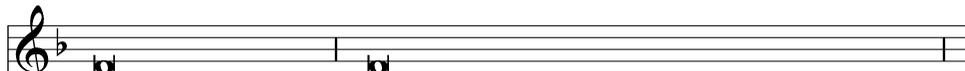
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



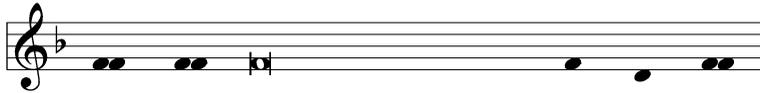
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

**Hymn of Praise**

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

LSB 368



1 An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,  
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?  
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun-tains in re - ply, Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav' n - ly song?  
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

*Refrain*



Glo - - - - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - -



- ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You make this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that as we have known the mysteries of that Light on earth we may also come to the fullness of His joys in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 9:2-7*

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shined.  
You have multiplied the nation;  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as they are glad when they divide the  
spoil.  
For the yoke of his burden,  
and the staff for his shoulder,  
the rod of his oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
For every boot of the tramping warrior in  
battle tumult  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be burned as fuel for the fire.

For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his  
shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of  
peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his  
kingdom,  
to establish it and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



Oh sing to the LORD a | new song;  
sing to the LORD, | all the earth!  
Sing to the LORD, | bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from | day to day.

Declare his glory among the | nations,  
his marvelous works among | all the peoples!  
For great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised;  
he is to be feared a- | bove all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless | idols,  
but the LORD | made the heavens.  
Splendor and majesty are | before him;  
strength and beauty are in his | sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the | peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength!  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;  
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

## Epistle

*Titus 2:11–14*

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

*Choir: Now let us render thanks to the Lord, our defender who by His chaste incarnation freed His creation from the devil's power and domination.*

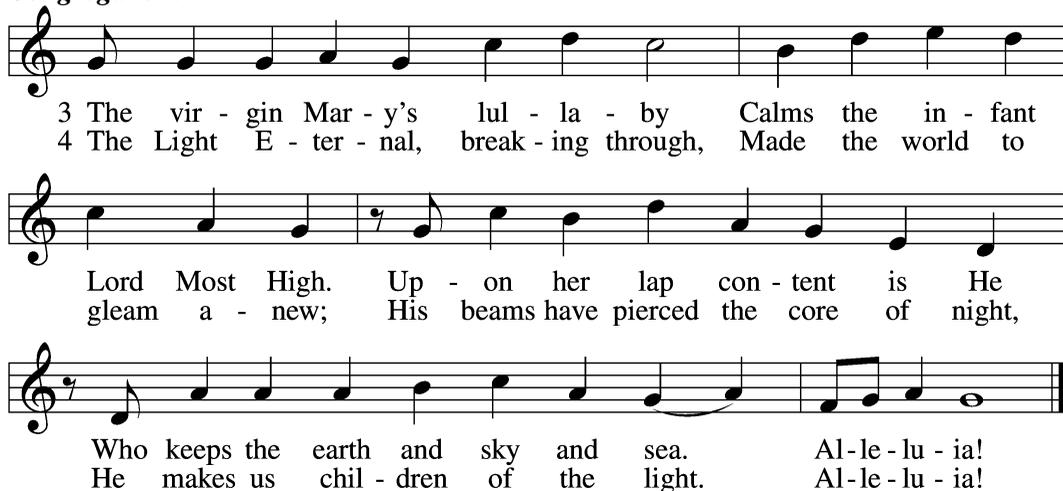
**Congregation:**


1 We praise You, Je - sus, at Your birth; Clothed in flesh You  
2 Now in the man - ger we may see God's Son from e -

came to earth. The vir - gin bears a sin - less boy  
ter - ni - ty, The gift from God's e - ter - nal throne

And all the an - gels sing for joy. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Here clothed in our poor flesh and bone. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Choir: Now let us render thanks to the Lord, our defender who by His chaste incarnation freed His creation from the devil's power and domination.*

**Congregation:**


3 The vir - gin Mar - y's lul - la - by Calms the in - fant  
4 The Light E - ter - nal, break - ing through, Made the world to

Lord Most High. Up - on her lap con - tent is He  
gleam a - new; His beams have pierced the core of night,

Who keeps the earth and sky and sea. Al - le - lu - ia!  
He makes us chil - dren of the light. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Hymn continues on next page*

*Choir: Now let us render thanks to the Lord, our defender who by His chaste incarnation freed His creation from the devil's power and domination.*

**Congregation:**



5 The ver - y Son of God sub - lime En - tered in - to  
6 In pov - er - ty He came to earth Show - ing mer - cy



earth - ly time To lead us from this world of cares  
by His birth; He makes us rich in heav'n - ly ways



To heav-en's courts as bless - ed heirs. Al-le-lu - ia!  
As we, like an - gels, sing His praise. Al-le-lu - ia!

*Choir: Now let us render thanks to the Lord, our defender who by His chaste incarnation freed His creation from the devil's power and domination.  
Ever with angels, Lord 'tis meet, we adore thee and sing, "Gloria in excelsis Deo"  
(Glory to God in the highest)*

**Congregation:**



7 All this for us our God has done Grant - ing love through



His own Son. There-fore, all Chris - ten - dom, re - joice



And sing His praise with end - less voice. Al-le-lu - ia!

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## Holy Gospel

Luke 2:1–20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths 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,  
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.” And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

# Hymn of the Day

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come*

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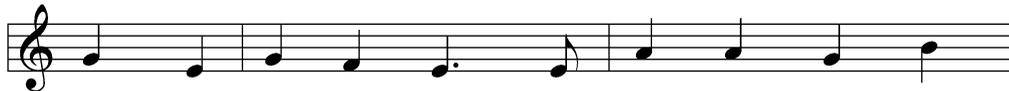
*The choir sings stanzas 1, 7, and 13 in settings by Johann Sebastian Bach.*

*Men sing stanzas 4 and 10.*

*Women sing stanzas 5 and 11.*



1 "From heav'n a - bove to earth I come To bear good  
2 "To you this night is born a child Of Mar - y,  
3 "This is the Christ, our God Most High, Who hears your  
4 "He will on you the gifts be - stow Pre - pared by



news to ev - 'ry home; Glad tid - ings of great  
cho - sen vir - gin mild; This lit - tle child of  
sad and bit - ter cry; He will Him - self your  
God for all be - low, That in His king - dom,



joy I bring, Where - of I now will say and sing:  
low - ly birth Shall be the joy of all the earth.  
Sav - ior be From all your sins to set you free.  
bright and fair, You may with us His glo - ry share.

*Women* 5 "These are the signs that you shall mark:  
The swaddling clothes and manger dark.  
There you will find the infant laid  
By whom the heav'ns and earth were made."

6 How glad we'll be to find it so!  
Then with the shepherds let us go  
To see what God for us has done  
In sending us His own dear Son.

*Choir* 7 *Come here, my friends, lift up your eyes,  
And see what in the manger lies.  
Who is this child, so young and fair?  
It is the Christ Child lying there.*

8 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest,  
Through whom the sinful world is blest!  
You came to share my misery  
That You might share Your joy with me.

9 Ah, Lord, though You created all,  
How weak You are, so poor and small,  
That You should choose to lay Your head  
Where lowly cattle lately fed!

*Men* 10 Were earth a thousand times as fair  
And set with gold and jewels rare,  
It would be far too poor and small  
A cradle for the Lord of all.

*Women* 11 Instead of soft and silken stuff  
You have but hay and straw so rough  
On which as King, so rich and great,  
To be enthroned in royal state.

12 And so it pleases You to see  
This simple truth revealed to me:  
That worldly honor, wealth, and might  
Are weak and worthless in Your sight.

*Choir* 13 *Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,  
Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,  
A quiet chamber set apart  
For You to dwell within my heart.*

14 My heart for very joy must leap;  
My lips no more can silence keep.  
I, too, must sing with joyful tongue  
That sweetest ancient cradlesong:

15 Glory to God in highest heav'n,  
Who unto us His Son has giv'n!  
While angels sing with pious mirth  
A glad new year to all the earth.

## Nicene Creed

**☩** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

*Sit*

# Choral Anthem

*Nativity Carol*  
John Rutter

*Born in a stable so bare, born so long ago; Born 'neath light of star He who loved us so.  
Far away silent he lay, born today, your homage pay, For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.*

*Cradled by mother so fair, tender her lullaby; Over her son so dear angel hosts fill the sky.  
Far away silent he lay, born today, your homage pay, For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.*

*Wisemen from distant far land, Shepherds from starry hills worship this babe so rare, hearts with his warmth he fills.  
Far away silent he lay, born today, your homage pay, For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.*

*Love in that stable was born into our hearts to flow; innocent dreaming babe, make me thy love to know.  
Far away silent he lay, born today, your homage pay, For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.*

Stand

## Offertory

LSB 159



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

# ✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

## Preface

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**P** The Lord be with you.



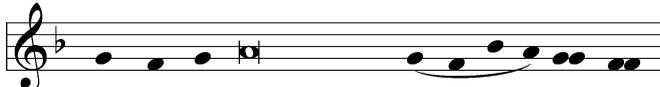
**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



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

Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. 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.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

*LSB 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

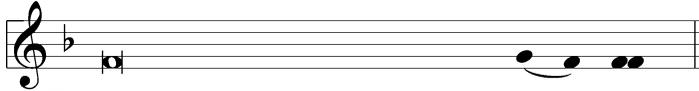
**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Pax Domini

LSB 163



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 163



**C** 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.

## Distribution

## Hymn

## *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

LSB 361



1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie!  
2 For Christ - is born of Mar - y, And, gath - ered all a - bove  
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n!  
4 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.  
O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Im - man - u - el!

Text: Phillips Brooks, 1835–93  
Tune: Lewis H. Redner, 1831–1908  
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1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y Stood a  
 2 He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is  
 3 For He is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by  
 4 And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His  
 5 Not in that poor, low - ly sta - ble With the



low - ly cat - tle shed, Where a moth - er laid her  
 God and Lord of all, And His shel - ter was a  
 day like us He grew; He was lit - tle, weak, and  
 own re - deem - ing love; For that child so dear and  
 ox - en stand - ing by Shall we see Him, but in



ba - by In a man - ger for His bed: Mar - y  
 sta - ble, And His cra - dle was a stall; With the  
 help - less, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He  
 gen - tle Is our Lord in heav'n a - bove; And He  
 heav - en, Set at God's right hand on high. Then like



was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
 poor and mean and low - ly Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
 feels for all our sad-ness, And He shares in all our glad-ness.  
 leads His chil-dren on To the place where He is gone.  
 stars His chil-dren, crowned, All in white, His praise will sound!

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1 All my heart a - gain re - joic - es As I hear Far and near  
 2 Hear! The Con - quer - or has spo - ken: "Now the foe, Sin and woe,  
 3 Should we fear our God's dis - plea - sure, Who, to save, Free - ly gave  
 4 See the Lamb, our sin once tak - ing To the cross, Suf - f'ring loss,



Sweet - est an - gel voic - es. "Christ is born!" their choirs are sing - ing  
 Death and hell are bro - ken!" God is man, man to de - liv - er,  
 His most pre - cious trea - sure? To re - deem us He has giv - en  
 Full a - tone - ment mak - ing. For our life His own He ten - ders,



Till the air Ev - 'ry - where Now with joy is ring - ing.  
 And the Son Now is one With our blood for - ev - er.  
 His own Son From the throne Of His might in heav - en.  
 And His grace All our race Fit for glo - ry ren - ders.

- 5 Softly from His lowly manger  
 Jesus calls  
 One and all,  
 "You are safe from danger.  
 Children, from the sins that grieve you  
 You are freed;  
 All you need  
 I will surely give you."
- 6 Come, then, banish all your sadness!  
 One and all,  
 Great and small,  
 Come with songs of gladness.  
 We shall live with Him forever  
 There on high  
 In that joy  
 Which will vanish never.

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*Stand*

### Dismissal

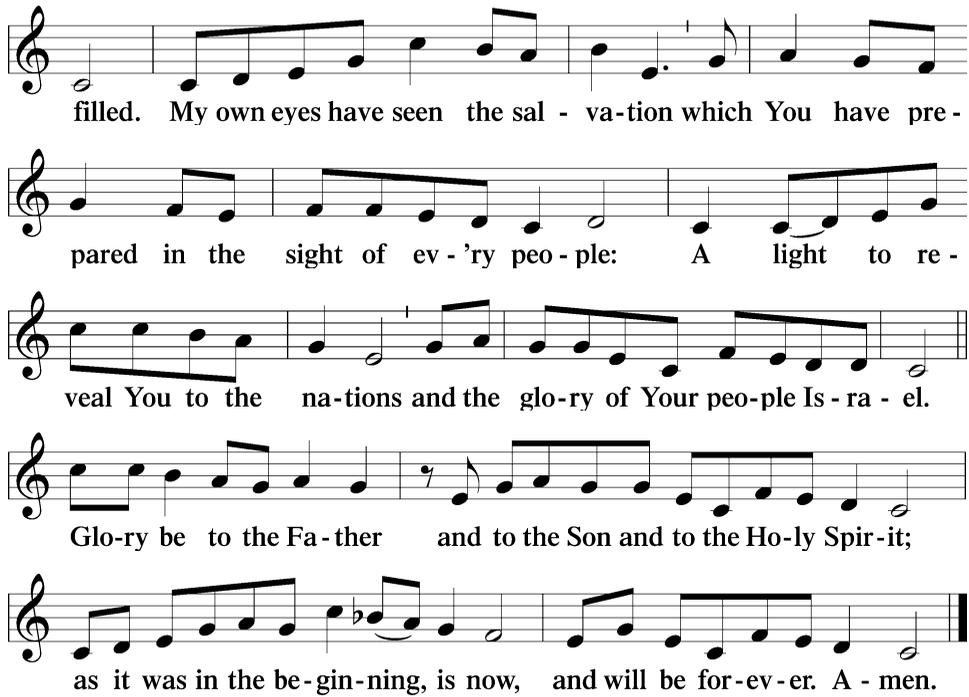
- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** Amen.

### Nunc Dimittis

LSB 165



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser - vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -  
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -  
 veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

### Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

### Benediction

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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace



**C** A - men.

# Closing Hymn

*Silent Night, Holy Night*

*LSB 363*

*Setting by Robert J. Powell*

*The congregation is encouraged to sing in four-part harmony. Interludes occur between each stanza.*

Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm,  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God,

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 Thy ho - ly face

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 Thy

peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!  
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth.

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✠ **Servants in the Lord's House** ✠

Presiding Minister – Rev. Randy Asbury  
Assisting Minister – Rev. Dr. Thomas Egger  
Organist – Mr. Matthew Janssen  
Choir – Schola Cantorum

String Quartet

Tom Winter, violin  
Kim Gindler, violin  
John Meurer, viola  
Lars Gindler, cello

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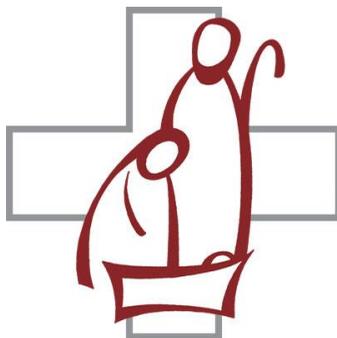


**Christmas poinsettias** have been placed to the praise and glory of God for the celebration of our Lord's birth:



- In loving memory of dear husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Noel Paul, by Ruth Paul and family;
- In loving memory of dear parents and grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. William Eckel and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Paul, by Ruth Paul and family;
- In memory of John W. Bishop and William Yancey by Joyce Yancey;
- In memory of his wife, Laura, by Bob Moffatt;
- In loving memory of family by Bob Moffatt;
- In loving memory of Kantor's parents, Carl and Margaret Janssen, by Keri and Matt Janssen;
- In loving memory of our dear parents, George and Mary Shoemaker and Edwin Scholz, by Joel and Kay Shoemaker;
- In thanksgiving for all God's gifts by Jeanne Weber;
- In honor of our Lord's birth by Jim and Diana Frost;
- By Jeff and Pam Nielsen in thanksgiving for all the blessings received;
- By the Asburry family in thanksgiving for our brothers and sisters in Christ at Hope who have supported the our family and have been a part of our lives for 21 years;
- In loving memory of neighbor and friend, Susan Morris by Bart and Julie Day;
- In honor of their goddaughter, Cosette Serina, by Bart and Julie Day;
- In loving memory of our grandparents by Bart and Julie Day;
- In honor of our parents by Bart and Julie Day;
- In thanksgiving for their six children by Bart and Julie Day;
- In loving memory of dear husband, father, and grandfather, Olin Spyers, by the Spyers family;
- In loving memory of parents and loved ones by Carol Spyers.

Thank you to all those who participated in decorating the sanctuary for the Christmas season.



**CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANY**  
**AT HOPE**

***CHRISTMAS EVE***

**Festal Divine Service, Sat., Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m.**

***CHRISTMAS DAY***

**Festal Divine Service, Sun., Dec. 25, 9:00 a.m.**

***NEW YEAR'S EVE***

**Divine Service, Sat., Dec. 31, 4:00 p.m.**

***CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD***

**Divine Service, Sun., Jan. 1, 2023, 9:00 a.m.**

***THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD***

**Festal Divine Service, Fri., Jan. 6, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

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