

# Light a Candle



Living Savior Lutheran Church  
Christmas Eve 4:00pm  
Children's Christmas Service

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## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Oh, Come, Little Children** (*The Little Christian's Songbook*, p. 35)

1. **Children:** Oh, come, little children, oh, come, one and all, To Bethlehem haste to the manger so small. God's Son for a gift has been sent you this night To be your Redeemer, your Joy and Delight.
2. **Congregation:** He's born in a stable for you and for me; Draw near by the bright, gleaming starlight to see, In swaddling clothes lying, so meek and so mild, And purer than angels, the heavenly Child.
3. **Congregation:** See Mary and Joseph, with love-beaming eyes, Are gazing upon the rude bed where He lies; The shepherds are kneeling, with hearts full of love, While angels sing loud alleluias above.

## THE INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation:** Amen.

**Pastor:** The Lord has made known His Word. Alleluia!

**Congregation:** The Word of His salvation. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Pastor:** The Lord established His covenant forever;

**Congregation:** He has sent redemption to His people:

**Pastor:** Christ the Lord, our Savior, everlasting God and Mary's Son!

**Congregation:** Oh, come, let us worship Him!

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, world without  
end. Amen.

## THE GREETING AND PRAYER

**Leader:** We greet you, friends! We're glad you came.  
We welcome you in Jesus' name.

We join with Christians everywhere  
Who, at this time, their hearts prepare  
To mark the birthday of God's Son  
And know the reason He has come.  
So listen to the things we say,  
And kindly join us when we pray,  
And when we come upon a song  
In which you are to sing along,  
Let every heart and voice unite  
With angels 'round the throne of light.

**Congregation: May God the Father, Son, and Spirit  
Grant faith that we may life inherit. Amen.**

## **I. Candles of Prophecy**

### **THE HYMN**

### **Of the Father's Love Begotten (*LSB* 384)**

1. **Solo: Jewell Steen:** Of the Father's love begotten Ere the worlds began to be He is  
Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending He, Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see Evermore and evermore.
2. **Children:** Oh, that birth forever blessed, When the virgin, full of grace, By the Holy  
Ghost conceiving, Bore the Savior of our race, And the babe, the world's Redeemer,  
First revealed His sacred face Evermore and evermore.
3. **Congregation:** O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him; Angel hosts, His praises sing.  
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him And extol our God and King. Let no tongue on  
earth be silent, Ev'ry voice in concert ring Evermore and evermore.
4. **Congregation:** Christ, to Thee, with God the Father, And, O Holy Ghost, to  
Thee Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving And unending praises be, Honor,  
glory, and dominion, And eternal victory Evermore and evermore.

## THE HYMN

## O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (*LSB 357*)

1. **Children** : O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.

*Refrain*: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

2. **Congregation**: O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord’rst all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.

*Refrain*

3. **Congregation**: O come, Thou Branch of Jesse’s tree,  
Free them from Satan’s tyranny That trust Thy mighty pow’r to save, And  
bring them vict’ry o’er the grave. *Refrain*

## THE HYMN

## The Congregation

## Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming (*LSB 359*)

1. Lo, how a rose e’er blooming From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse’s lineage coming As prophets long have sung, It came, a flow’ret bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half-spent was the night.
2. Isaiah ’twas foretold it, The rose I have in mind; With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind. To show God’s love aright She bore to us a Savior, When half-spent was the night.

## II. Candles of Proclamation

## THE HYMN OF JOY

## What Child is This (*LSB 370*)

1. Duet: **Kyle Steen** and **Brice Cardenas**: What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary’s lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet while shepherds watch are keeping. This, this is Christ the king, whom shepherds guard and angels sing. Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

2. **Congregation:** Why lies He in such mean estate where on and ass are feeding?  
**Good Christian, fear:** for sinners here the silent word is pleading. Nails, spear  
shall pierce Him through, the cross be borne for me, for you; Hail, hail the  
Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary.

**THE SONG      Away in a Manger (LSB 364)**

1. **Children:** Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down  
His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord  
Jesus asleep on the hay.
2. **Duet: Trent and Lauren Henschel:** The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes. I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down  
from the sky, And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
3. **Children:** Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever and  
love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, And take us to  
heaven to live with Thee there.

**THE HYMN      Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (LSB 380:1, 3)**

1. **Children:** Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King; Peace on  
earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!” Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join  
the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in  
Bethlehem!”

*Refrain:* Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

2. **Congregation:** Hail, the heav’n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of  
Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Ris’n with healing in His  
wings. Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to  
raise the songs of earth, Born to give them second birth. *Refrain*

### III. Candles of God's Gifts

#### THE SONG

#### God Loves Me Dearly (*LSB 392*)

1. **Children** : God loves me dearly, Grants me salvation, God loves me dearly, Loves even me.

*Refrain:*

Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, Loves even me.

2. **Children:** I was in slav'ry, Sin, death, and darkness; God's love was working To make me free. *Refrain*
3. **Duet by Maya and Kenna Stille:** He sent forth Jesus, My dear Redeemer, He sent forth Jesus And set me free. *Refrain*

#### THE HYMN

#### Now Sing We, Now Rejoice (*LSB 386*)

**Solo by Lyric Morgan**

1. Now sing we, now rejoice, Now raise to heav'n our voice; He from whom joy streameth Poor in a manger lies; Not so brightly beameth The sun in yonder skies. Thou my Savior art! Thou my Savior art!
2. Come from on high to me; I cannot rise to Thee, Cheer my wearied spirit, O pure and holy Child, Through Thy grace and merit, Blest Jesus, Lord most mild, Draw me unto Thee! Draw me unto Thee!

#### THE OFFERING

#### PIANO SOLO by Kyle Steen

#### THE HYMN

#### Silent Night (*LSB 363*)

1. **Children:** Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, Round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. **Congregation:** Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia! Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

3. **Congregation:** Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

## **THE PRAYERS**

## **THE BENEDICTION**

## **THE RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**Joy to the World (*LSB* 387)**

**Saxophone Duet by Chris Douglas and Trent Henschel**

1. **Children:** Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
2. **Congregation:** Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains. Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
3. **Congregation:** No more let sins and sorrows grow Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
4. **Congregation:** He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.

## **THE POSTLUDE**

## **Participants in Order of Appearance**

**Jewell Steen  
Trent Henschel  
Kaitlyn Henschel  
Chris Douglas  
Maya Stille  
Lyric Morgan  
Lillie Sprung  
Lauren Henschel  
Kyle Steen  
Alex Fendia  
McKenzie Douglas  
Brice Cardenas  
Georgia Hegar  
Kenna Stille  
Jacob Fendia  
Donovan Hardin  
Teagan Stille  
Clara Hegar  
Jade Gonzalez  
Nicolas Rios  
Noah Rios  
Peyton Walker**

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