



## Printed Order of Service

St. Peter Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

### Midweek Advent Service #1

December 2, 2020

## Your King Is Coming! Are you ready?

### Welcome

### Opening Prayer

**Opening Hymn** ..... "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" LSB 348 v. 1,4,5



1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light tri - um-phant breaks,  
4 Oh, bright-er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race  
5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light and beau - ty brings.



When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a-wakes.  
The day when Christ in splen-dor comes And we shall see His face.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo-ple pray: Come quick-ly, King of kings!

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### Invocation and Opening Sentences

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation, mightily ordering all things:

**C** **Come and teach us the way of prudence.**

**P** O Dayspring, splendor of light everlasting:

**C** **Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.**

**P** O Emmanuel, our King and our Lord, the anointed for the nations and their Savior:

**C** **Come and save us, O Lord our God.**

**P** Come, O Lord, among us.

**C** **Jesus, our Wisdom from on high. Alleluia! Amen.**

**P** Behold, the Lord comes to save us.

**C** **O come, let us worship Him.**

# Theme Sequence

2 Peter 3:11-12

<sup>11</sup>Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup>waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!

Every time we see the word *stop*, such as at a street corner or a construction site, we automatically slow down and reflect on where we are and what we are doing. Peter writes that as we stop, look, and listen for the final Advent of our Lord, we ought to be living lives of "holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God."

As we stop what we are doing in our lives to experience the blessings of the Advent season, we take time to prepare for the coming of the Lord into our hearts, homes, and worship. Our preparation takes thought and effort as we rise to meet our coming King. We sing a great hymn of Advent, expressing that in a prayerful way.

**Hymn**..... "Arise, O Christian People" LSB 354 v. 1,3

1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre - pare your - selves to -  
 3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God rais - es up on  
 day; Pre - pare to greet the Sav - ior, Who takes your  
 high; Be - neath His feet in ter - ror The haugh - ty  
 sins a - way. To us by grace a - lone The  
 soul shall lie. The heart sin - cere and right, That  
 truth and light were giv - en; The prom - ised Lord from  
 heeds God's in - vi - ta - tion And makes true prep - a -  
 heav - en To all the world is shown.  
 ra - tion— It is the Lord's de - light.

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## First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-21

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

**Hymn** ..... "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" LSB 357 v. 1,2

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som  
2 O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d' rest  
cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly  
all things might - i - ly; To us the path of  
ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
*Refrain*  
Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el  
Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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# Advent Sermon: "STOP!"

## Prayer of the Church

### 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.

### Luther's Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### Benediction

**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.

**G** Amen.

### Closing Hymn ..... "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come" LSB 350 v. 1, 4



1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for  
4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our  
sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!  
sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,  
O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty  
Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er  
let us see; we may sing; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.  
Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

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### Serving

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