

Celebrate

Contemporary Worship Service



OUR SAVIOR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Connecting Faith to Everyday Life.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022 ♦ 11:00 A.M.



GATHERING

Gathering Song – “Light of the World,” Lauren Daigle, Paul Duncan, and Paul Mabury

1. The world waits for a miracle
The heart longs for a little bit of hope
O come O come Emmanuel
A child prays for peace on earth
And she's calling out from a sea of hurt
O come O come Emmanuel
And can you hear the angels singing

Chorus 1: Glory to the Light of the world
Glory the Light of the world is here

2. The drought breaks with the tears of a mother
A baby's cry is the sound of love come down
Come down Emmanuel woh

He is the song for the suffering
He is Messiah the Prince of peace has come
He has come Emmanuel oh

Chorus 2: Glory to the light of the world
Glory to the light of the world
Glory to the light of the world
Glory to the light of the world

Bridge: For all who wait for all who hunger
For all who've prayed for all who wonder
Behold your King behold Messiah
Emmanuel Emmanuel

Chorus 3: Glory to the light of the world
Glory to the light of the world
Glory to the light of the world
Behold your King behold Messiah
Emmanuel Emmanuel

Ending: The world waits for a miracle
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Gathering Words

For God, change can be small,
evolutionary, atomic.
A crumbled resistance,
a slightly different direction,
a fresh idea in the middle of the night.

For God, change can rain down like a tempest,
a flood in every street
that sweeps into our lives
with energy that does not yield
or listen.

**God is urgently waiting
to finally arrive.**

God, we have been waiting for you, too.
**Yet you often arrive before we notice:
in the place we did not expect,
in the word we did not hear.**

Do not be afraid,
your angels always say,
right before you change a life.
**You are here to change this place.
We are not afraid.**

Invocation

Sharing the Peace

Lighting the Advent Wreath

“God of the Starlight and Moon,” *st. 2*

1. God of the star-light and moon, mys-ter-y God of the
2. Beau-ty be-yond what we know, shap-ing a world that we
3. Out of the blue you ar-rive, weav-ing our lives with your
mid-night blue skies. Love draw-ing near, dream-ing new
can-not quite see. Form of a child, reach-ing to
con-stant sur-prise. Flick-er-ing flame, spark-ling with
fu-tures: fire of our hearts, a-rise.
greet us: time in e-ter-ni-ty.
prom-ise: God of the star-lit skies.

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Candle Lighting and Prayer

“God of the Starlight and Moon,” *st. 3*

WORD

Reading – Colossians 1:11–20

Gospel – Luke 23:33–43

Sermon

Video – “My Generosity Story”

Song of the Day – “Worthy Is the Lamb,” Darlene Zschech

1. Thank you for the cross, Lord.
Thank you for the price you paid.
Bearing all my sin and shame,
in love you came and gave amazing grace.
2. Thank you for this love, Lord.
Thank you for the nail-pierced hands.
Washed me in your cleansing flow;
now all I know, your forgiveness and embrace.

Chorus: Worthy is the Lamb, seated on the throne.
Crown you with many crowns; you reign victorious,
High and lifted up, Jesus, Son of God,
the darling of heaven crucified.
Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb.

Instrumental; then repeat verse 2

Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Alden Eugene Benck, the child of Michelle and Josh Benck. Sponsors for Alden are Brian Benck and Angie Dolan.

Prayers of Intercession

Confession and Forgiveness

God is here,
And God sees through every defense
that fools the world.

Since we cannot hide from God,
there is nothing left to do
but to be honest with each other
and humble before God.
So, in humility,
we confess our sins.

**God, we have acted helpless,
even when you called us to action.
We have resisted your truth,
even when our lies were exhausting.
We have behaved as though we were alone,
even when you were beside us.
God, we have believed we were dying,
even when you helped us grow.**

God knows
we can never undo our sins.
We cannot ignore painful history
as though it does not affect us today.

Yet before our first mistake,
God perfected the plan for salvation,
and that salvation comes to each of us today.
Receive God's forgiveness.

This forgiveness is total.
No sign of your old life remains,
And if God has moved beyond your sin,
you have no reason to return to it again.

**We are healed.
No blemish remains.
Thanks be to God.**

MEAL

Offering

Invitation

Offering

Offering Song – “Do Not Fear,” Jon Althoff and Nathan Stiff

1. Humble virgin arise and take heart
You've been chosen to carry a son
Give no heed to the trembling inside
For the wonder has only begun

Chorus 1: Do not fear do not fear
The child you will hold is the Savior foretold
Drawing near
Do not fear

2. Lowly shepherds look up and take heart
See the glory of Heaven burn bright
Hear the anthem of joy and good news
Hope has dawned in a stable tonight

Chorus 2: Do not fear do not fear
The child in the hay is the Ancient of Days
Drawing near
Do not fear

3. Weary children be still and take heart
Every longing you feel is a cry
For the rest He has offered to all
Come to Him for His burden is light

Chorus 3: Do not fear do not fear
The God who redeems you and ever will keep you
Is near
Do not fear

Instrumental interlude, then chorus 3 2x

Offering Prayer

Please pray with me.

**God, we have labored and toiled
for our money
and our time
and our families
and our freedom.**

**We have cherished
what we thought was ours.**

Yet in a moment,
we recognize
that every truly good thing
was a treasure
we had taken
from your open hand.

**We give you these gifts
as a sign of your love and faithfulness.
Use them to grow
more hope in this world.**

Holy Communion

Dialogue

Holy Jesus, be our guest.
For you are already here.

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts in praise.

We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks
to the God of our salvation.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Table

Communion

Communion Song – “Lamb of God,” Twila Paris

1. Your only son, no sin to hide,
But you have sent him from your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.

Chorus: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God.

I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in his precious blood.
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

2. Your gift of love, they crucified,
They laughed and scorned him as he died,
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. (*chorus*)
3. I was so lost, I should have died,
But you have brought me to your side,
To be led by your staff and rod,
And to become a lamb of God. (*chorus*)

Communion Song – “King of My Heart,” John Mark McMillan and Sarah McMillan

1. Let the King of my heart
Be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life
Oh He is my song

Chorus: You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh

2. Let the King of my heart
Be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days
Oh He is my song (*chorus*)

Bridge: You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down
You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down (*repeat 3x*)

Final Chorus: You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh
You are good good oh

Prayer after Communion

The meal has ended.
Now let the remembering begin.

Remember you have met God in this place.

Remember that no person who meets God
can ever be the same.

We pray:

You have called us.

We have listened.

You invited us.

We took our place at the table.

**You have sat with us
so we might follow you.**

**Now there is nowhere else we can go,
because you alone have the words of life.**

SENDING

Announcements

Sending

God, we do not know the end
to which you call us.

**God, let us be your servants,
wherever this road goes.**

God, you could have judged us,
but you chose us.

**You have made us worthy
so we might speak your words.**

You alone guide us
down the path that leads to life.

**Every other path
is no longer a path for me.**

Go in peace.

Serve the lowly.

Thanks be to God.

Sending Song – “God’s Not Dead (Like a Lion),” Daniel Bashta

1. Let love explode and bring the dead to life

A love so bold to see a revolution somehow (repeat)

Pre-Chorus: Now I’m lost in Your freedom

Oh this world I’ll overcome

Chorus: My God's not dead
He's surely alive
And He's living on the inside roaring like a lion
My God's not dead
He's surely alive
And He's living on the inside roaring like a lion

2. Let hope arise and make the darkness hide
My faith is dead I need a resurrection somehow (*repeat*)

Pre-Chorus: Now I'm lost in Your freedom
Oh this world I'll overcome (*chorus*)

Bridge: Let heaven roar and fire fall
Come shake the ground with the sound of revival
Let heaven roar and fire fall
Come shake the ground with the sound of revival (*repeat, then chorus*)

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