

# Our Saviour

Lutheran Church



Saturday Service  
First Week of Advent  
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## PRE-SERVICE

**Song** *(Please sing along)*      **Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**      **ELW 490**

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descending comes full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and blood,  
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way;  
As the Light of light, descending from the realms of endless day,  
Comes, the pow'rs of hell to vanquish, as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

## GATHERING

**Welcome Song**      **My Lord, What a Morning**      **ELW 438**

**Refrain:** My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning;  
Oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the trumpet sound,  
To wake the nations underground,  
Looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. **(Refrain)**

You will hear the sinner cry,  
To wake the nations underground,  
Looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. **(Refrain)**

You will hear the Christian shout,  
To wake the nations underground,  
Looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. **(Refrain)**

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

### Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah

ELW 240

Light one candle to watch for Messiah: let the light banish darkness.  
He shall bring salvation to Israel, God fulfills the promise.

## Confession and Forgiveness

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

*Silence may be kept for reflection.*

C Gracious God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.

*The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness.*

P By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Wherefore by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ and in his stead, I forgive you all your sins.

C Amen.

## Sharing the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

L Let us pray. *[A brief pause]*

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.

C Amen.

## WORD

### First Reading

### Jeremiah 33:14-16

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**Psalm**

**Ps. 25:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD,  
I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>Show me your ways, O LORD,  
and teach me your paths.

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

<sup>6</sup>Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your  
goodness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>You are gracious and upright, O LORD;  
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice  
and teach the lowly your way.

<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

**Second Reading**

**1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel  
before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we  
may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to  
you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another  
and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your  
hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the  
coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**Gospel**

**Luke 21:25-36**

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

Song of Day

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

ELW 257

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 you, O Israel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high,  
embracing all things far and nigh:  
in strength and beauty come and stay;  
teach us your will and guide our way. **(Refrain)**

O come, O Key of David, come,  
and open wide our heav'nly home;

make safe the way that leads on high,  
and close the path to misery. *(Refrain)*

O come, O Key of David, come,  
and open wide our heav'nly home;  
make safe the way that leads on high,  
and close the path to misery. *(Refrain)*

### Prayers of the People

*When prompted, call out names of people, places or organizations that are in need of God's care.*

### MEAL

### Sharing Our Gifts

L Let us offer back to God what God has first given us: our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of his gracious love.

*Our offerings support the work of the church in Warrenton and the world. Please pass the baskets from front to back. You may also make an offering online at [www.oslc-warrenton.org](http://www.oslc-warrenton.org) by clicking the "DONATE" tab on the homepage.*

### Offering Song

### *Creator of the Stars of Night*

ELW 245

Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call. Amen.

### Dialogue

*The presiding minister invites the people to prayer.*

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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 our thanks and praise.

### Thanksgiving Prayer

*The minister leads a prayer of thanksgiving, recalling God's saving deeds, and calling the Holy Spirit to be present as we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.*

## Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray as our Savior taught us.

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.

## Sharing Holy Communion

*All baptized Christians are invited to share Christ's Body and Blood. If you wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward and stand around the altar. You will be offered both the bread and cup. If you prefer not to drink, simply indicate this to the assisting minister.*

Communion Song

*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Sung by VoP

## Prayer After Communion

L Let us pray together. *[A brief pause]*

C Grant, O God, that in fellowship with all your saints, we may receive with a pure mind the treasures that we have touched with our lips, the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SENDING

### Blessing

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, †  
be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

Sending Song

*Soon and Very Soon*

ELW 439

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.

*Refrain:* Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King. (*Refrain*)

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King. *(Refrain)*

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. *(Refrain)*

## Dismissal

L Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## POST-SERVICE

Song *(Please sing along)*

*Go Tell It On the Mountain*

ELW 290

*Refrain:* Go tell it on the mountain,  
over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
go tell it on the mountain  
that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching  
o'er silent flocks by night,  
behold, throughout the heavens  
there shone a holy light. *(Refrain)*

The shepherds feared and trembled  
when, lo, above the earth  
rang out the angel chorus  
that hailed our Savior's birth. *(Refrain)*

Down in a lonely manger  
the humble Christ was born;  
and God sent us salvation  
that blessed Christmas morn. *(Refrain)*

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