

Closing Hymn

Comfort, Comfort O My People



1. Com - fort, com - fort, O my peo - ple, Speak of peace, now says our God,
2. Hark, the voice of one who's cry - ing In the des - ert far and near,
3. O make straight what long was crook - ed, Make the rough - er plac - es plain;



Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, Mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load.
Bid - ding all to full re - pent - ance Since the reign of God is here.
Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, For Mes - si - ah's ho - ly reign.



Speak un - to Je - ru - sa - lem Of the peace that waits for them;
O that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
For the glo - ry of our God Now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



Tell of all the sins I cov - er, And that war - fare now is o - ver.
Let the val - leys rise in greet - ing And the hills bow down in meet - ing.
And all flesh shall see the to - ken That God's word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Is. 40: 1-8; *Trostet, trostet, meine Lieben*; Johann Olearius, 1611-1684; Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.
Tune: GENEVA 42, 8 7 8 7 7 8 8. *Genevan Psalter*; 1551

Announcements

- ❖ **After worship today- Advent Brunch** All are welcome to celebrate Advent with our annual potluck brunch after worship!
- ❖ **Join us for *Tour de Middleton*** presented by the Middleton High School Chamber Choir, Thur., Dec. 16 at 12:30 pm. This is a long-standing Christmas tradition, and we are thankful to have been selected as one of their stops on the tour! All are welcome to stay for cookies and hot chocolate in the dining room following the performance.
- ❖ **Help the Latinx Hispanic Family Christmas Sharing Project** by Dec. 16. We are supporting 37 families and 96 children! How to help: 1) grab a gift tag from the Christmas tree to purchase presents; 2) share a donation by check or online at HolyWisdomMonastery.org, noting "Hispanic Ministry," or 3) volunteer to deliver presents and groceries on Dec. 18 (contact Kathleen Shanovich at 608-438-5001).
- ❖ **Join us on Christmas Eve, 4:00 pm Service** All are welcome!
Note: No service will be held on Christmas Day.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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| Presider Jerry Folk | Candle bearer Lilianna Bonomic |
| First Reading Kathy Folk | Second Reading Sally Bowers |
| Homilist Jim Penczykowski | Cantor Taryn Valley |
| Guitar Vicki Clark | Piano/Organ Lynn Lemberger |
| Greeters Janine Edwards, Melissa & Paul Markquart | |
| Communion Ministers Julie Melton, Ryan Pierce, Lila Hemlin | |
| Technology Assistant Tony Gibart | Sacristans Marge Ferstl, Diane Smith |

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 5, 2021



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*Face masks are required to be worn by everyone age 2 and older,
regardless of vaccination status.
People who are fully vaccinated may participate in singing at worship.
Those who are not fully vaccinated are asked to continue to observe
appropriate distance and refrain from singing.*

Gathering Hymn

Come To Us, O God

Come to us, O God, Be the hope with-in our long-ing. Dwell with-

in us, O Light of the world:
in us, O Light, _____ of the world:
in us, O Light, O _____ Light of the world:

O God - with - us, Em - man - u - el.

Final ending
O God - with - us Em - man - u - el.

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Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

Following each reading:

Reader The Word of Salvation
All **Thanks be to God**

*A time of silent reflection follows each reading
as we practice the Benedictine value of listening.*

Breaking of the Bread

Be known to us, Christ Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.
A - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Christ Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Presider The bread which we break,
is it not communion in the body of Christ?
The cup of blessing which we share,
is it not communion in the blood of Christ?

All **So all of us are one body,
all who share the one bread and drink from the cup.**

Communion Rite

Our Communion bread is gluten-free.

All are welcome to receive Communion.

*Come to any one of the four locations in the room. Two stations are
behind the altar, one at the side exit, and one near the piano.*

A time of silent reflection follows our sharing of Communion.

Prayer after Communion

Final Blessing & Dismissal

At the end of the meal, he took a cup of wine;
 again he gave thanks and said:
 This is a new covenant of my blood
 which is shed for you and for the reconciliation of all creation.
 Every time you do this, do this in memory of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain.

With grateful hearts, O God, we present this sign of our faith.
 Send your Spirit upon these gifts and upon us.
 May we become the body and blood of Jesus, the Promised One.

**In these signs of fire and water,
 darkness and light and bread and wine,
 may we be enlightened ever more fully
 and come to enter the mystery of our true life in you.**

**Let the promised Holy One come,
 rising like a new star in our hearts and minds
 to transform our lives
 according to the plan you have always held for us.**

**Give a new face to this earth which we call home.
 May there be wisdom and peace as Emmanuel is born among us.**

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ...



A - men, a - - - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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The Prayer of Jesus

**Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
 May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
 Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
 Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
 For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

Benedictus

Luke 1:68-79



1. Now bless the God of Is - ra - el, Who
 2. Re - mem - ber - ing the cov - e - nant, God
 3. In ten - der mer - cy, God will send The



comes in love and pow'r, Who rais - es from the
 res - cues us from fear, That we might serve in
 day - spring from on high, Our ris - ing sun, the



roy - al house De - liv - 'rance in this hour. Through
 ho - li - ness And peace from year to year; And
 light of life For those who sit and sigh. God



ho - ly proph - ets God has sworn To
 you, my child, shall go be - fore To
 comes to guide our way to peace, That



free us from a - larm, To save us from the
 preach, to proph - e - sy, That all may know the
 death shall reign no more. Sing prais - es to the



heav - y hand Of all who wish us harm.
 ten - der love, The grace of God most high.
 Ho - ly One! O wor - ship and a - dore!

Text: *Benedictus*, Luke 1:68-79; Ruth Duck, b.1947, © 1992, GIA Publications, Inc.
 Tune: FOREST GREEN, CMD; English: harm. by Michael Joncas, b.1951

Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

Before the Gospel,

Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All Glory to you, O Christ

Following the Gospel,

Reader The holy Gospel

All Praise to you, O Jesus Christ

Homily

General Intercessions *Response: Come, Christ Jesus come.*

Sign of Peace *Please ask permission before greeting someone with a hug,*

Presentation of the Gifts *A basket is available on the table to receive your donations. Thank you for your generosity. The gifts of bread, wine and our offering are brought to the altar.*

Liturgy of the Eucharist Eucharistic Prayer II for Advent

All join in proclaiming the Eucharist Prayer. The Assembly parts are in bold.

Presider May the Holy One be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up to our God.

Presider Let us give thanks to the God of all.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We thank you, Creator of fire and water
and of all the elements of the universe,
for you are God who lives within us.
From the depths of your mysterious darkness
you call each of us by name into the light of your creation.

**We thank you for the darkness which heals and refreshes,
allowing the seeds of the earth to germinate anew.
Lead us into the quiet and rest that belongs to this season of the year
so that our souls may be refreshed and our life in your Spirit
may germinate itself anew.
We thank you for the life that is brought forth even from death
and for the special quality of light
that has been born from the darkness.**

Therefore, together with all the living
and all whom you have taken back into your embrace,
we praise your name, O God, our Mother and Father,
as we sing with all the angels:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly One, God of love and God of maj-es-ty.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - - - ry.
Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless-ed the One who comes in the name of our God.
Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.

Missa Emmanuel, Tune: "Veni Emmanuel", Text: Richard Proulx, arr. ©1991 GIA Publications, Inc. Adapted: LKL ©2007.

We thank you for the life of Jesus,
whom you called and sent to serve us and give us light,
to bring freedom and redemption to poor and rich alike,
and to be, forever and for all humankind,
the image and likeness of your presence and goodness among us.

**In Jesus we see the promise of Emmanuel,
the very gift of God's presence.
May we become the fulfillment of God-with-us.**

The night before he died Jesus took bread into his hands and,
raising his heart and eyes to you,
gave thanks and said:
Take this and eat. This is my body.
Do this in remembrance of me.