

St. Luke's ~ San Lucas Episcopal Church

The Holy Eucharist
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025
8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Godly Play: 10:00 am and 12:30 pm, ages 5 to grade 5

Youth Group: 12:30 pm, grade 6 and up

Nursery care is available for ages birth to 5 years old

Located in the educational wing

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *Remain seated.*

The Candle of Love

Reader

“Behold, a young woman shall conceive and bear a child, and his name shall be called Emmanuel, which means God with us.” (*Matthew 1*)

The candle is lit.

Today we light all four Advent candles: the first for hope, the second for peace, the third for joy, and the last for love: love with us and with all the world, love who is named Jesus.

Let us pray.

People

O God, as we enter the blessed season of Christmas, may all the preparations we have made in Advent open us to the love you bring to the world. Let it be for us a new beginning, that our lives may show forth your hope, your peace, your joy and your love. In the name of Love. *Amen.*



1 Of the Fa-ther's love be-got - ten, ere the world be-gan to be,
 2 O that birth for - ev - er bless-ed, when a vir-gin, blest with grace,
 3 Let the heights of heaven a-dore him; an-gel hosts his prais-es sing:
 4 Christ, to thee, with God the Fa-ther, and, O Ho-ly Ghost, to thee,



he is Al-pha and O-me-ga, he the source, the end-ing he,
 by the Ho-ly Ghost con-ceive-ing, bore the Sav-ior of our race;
 powers, do-min-ions, bow be-fore him, and ex-tol our God and King;
 hymn and chant and high thanks-giv-ing and un-wea-ried prais-es be:



of the things that are, that have been, and that fu-ture
 and the babe, the world's Re-deem-er, first re-vealed his
 let no tongue on earth be si-lent, ev-ery voice in
 hon-or, glo-ry, and do-min-ion, and e-ter-nal



years shall see, ev-er-more and ev-er-more!
 sa-cred face, ev-er-more and ev-er-more!
 con-cert ring, ev-er-more and ev-er-more!
 vic-to-ry, ev-er-more and ev-er-more! A - men.

THE WORD OF GOD

SALUTATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy and living God
People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

TRISAGION *(Said at 8:00 am)*

Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

CIRCLE SONG—KYRIE *(Sung at 10:00 am)*

We invite you to join in singing our circle song. Listen with attentiveness as the Music Director sings your part, then echo and join in. Let your listening guide your singing and your heart guide your thanksgiving as we lift our voices together before God.

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 70:10-16

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also?"

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

(Chanted at 10:00 am)

Please join in the singing the Psalm. The Music Director will sing the first verse as a guide; listen and join in on verse two.

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, ***
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 **O Lord God of hosts, ***
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, ***
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 **Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, ***
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 **Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; ***
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 1:1-7

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

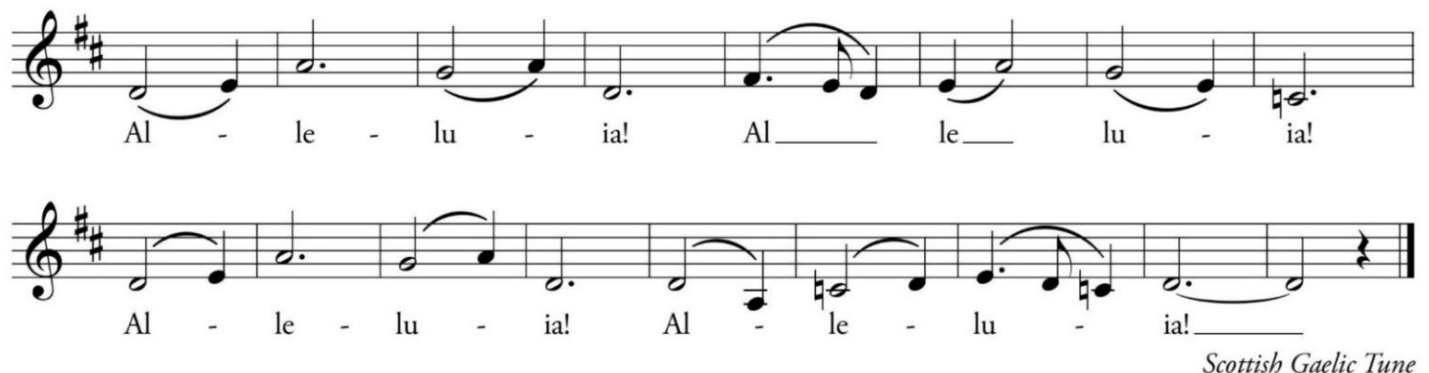
To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18-25

The Good News of Jesus as written in Matthew.

Glory is yours, O Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to

name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,”

which means, “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

The Gospel of the Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Alfredo Feregrino

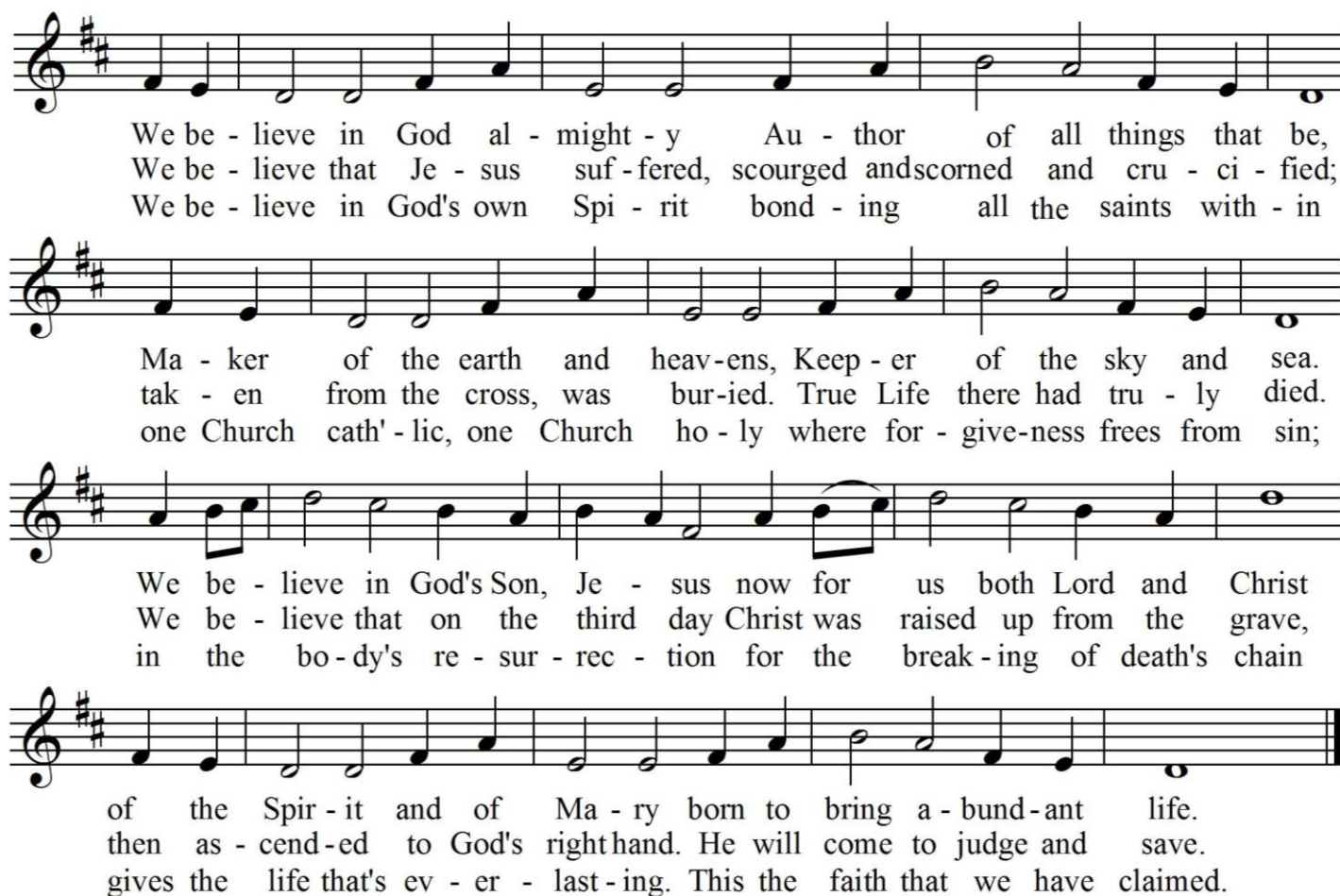
THE NICENE CREED

(Sung at 10:00 am)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.



We be - lieve in God al - might - y Au - thor of all things that be,
 We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied;
 We be - lieve in God's own Spi - rit bond - ing all the saints with - in
 Ma - ker of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and sea.
 tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied. True Life there had tru - ly died.
 one Church cath' - lic, one Church ho - ly where for - give - ness frees from sin;
 We be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus now for us both Lord and Christ
 We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,
 in the bo - dy's re - sur - rec - tion for the break - ing of death's chain
 of the Spir - it and of Ma - ry born to bring a - bund - ant life.
 then as - cend - ed to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
 gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Music: Traditional American melody

Lyrics: Sylvia Dunstan

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

In the hushed anticipation of your coming, O Lord, kindle in us the desire to remain awake; that we might be ready for your coming, and eager to pray.

O God, in days to come the mountain of your house will be established, and your joy shall reign. We pray for the church, especially St. James, Cathlamet; St. Timothy, Chehalis; and All Saints', Vancouver, that you might teach us your ways and that we might walk in your paths.

Come Lord Jesus,

And hear our prayer.

Out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and you, O God, shall judge between the nations. We pray for our nation, and all nations, that your peace would be manifest in every corner of the earth.

Come Lord Jesus,

And hear our prayer.

In your Kingdom, O Lord, even the wilderness and dry land are glad and rejoice. We pray for those who rejoice this week that they might obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing might flee away. We invite your thanksgivings at this time.

Come Lord Jesus,

And hear our prayer.

In your Kingdom, O Lord, wolves lie down with lambs and children play with serpents without fear. We pray for the sick, the suffering, and those in distress of any kind; that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs. We invite your intercessions at this time.

Come Lord Jesus,

And hear our prayer.

In the fullness of time, O God, you sent your son to be born of our sister Mary. And his name was Emmanuel: God With Us. We thank you for your Presence with us, and we pray that you might be always present with those whom we love but see no longer, especially. We invite your remembrances at this time.

Come Lord Jesus,

And hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Come among us O God, and hear our prayers; so that when your Son Jesus comes among us with great might and in manger mild, we might recognize his face and his voice, and come to adore him.

Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and against our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays & Anniversaries

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming

Sung by the St. Luke's Choir

Music: Trad. German Melody; Words: 15th Century German

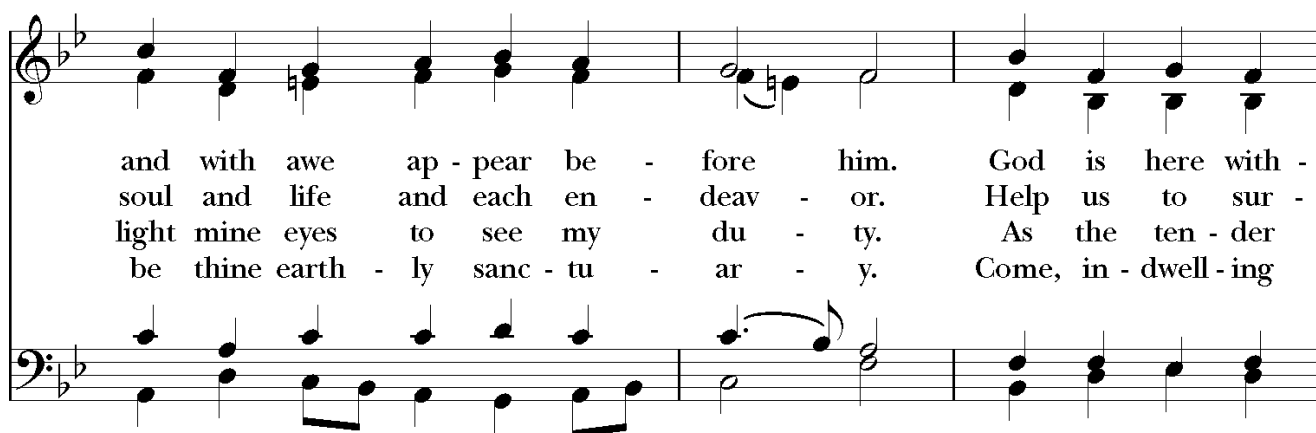
OFFERTORY HYMN

God Himself is With Us

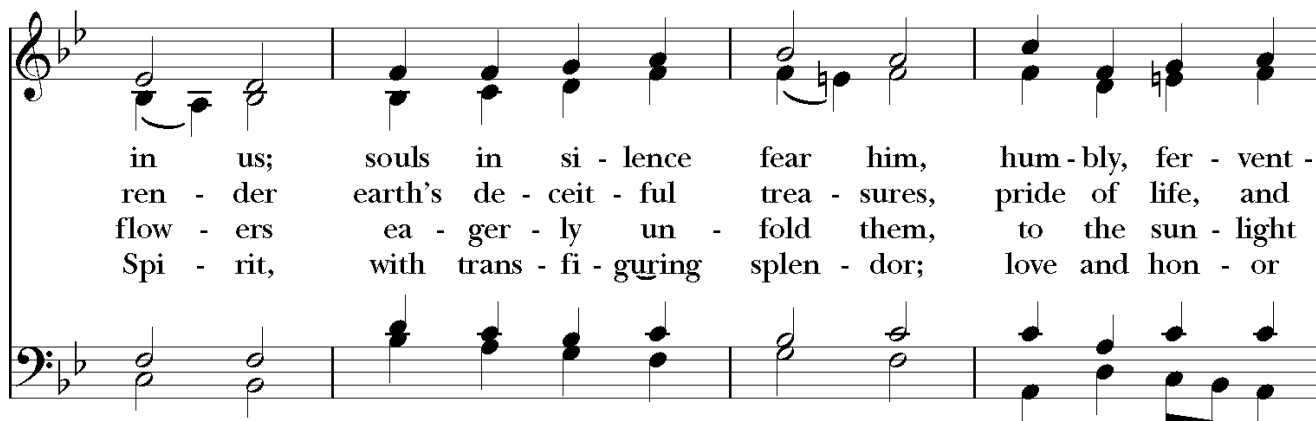
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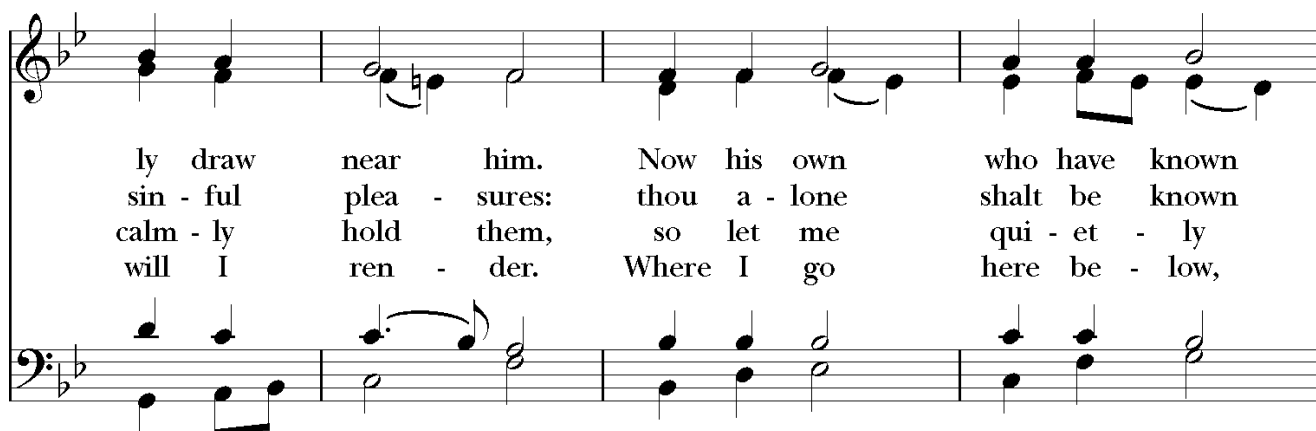
1 God him - self is with us; let us all a - dore him,
 2 Glad - ly, Lord, we of - fer thine to be for ev - er,
 3 Thou per - vad - est all things: let thy rad - iant beau - ty
 4 Come, a - bide with - in me; let my soul, like Ma - ry,



and with awe ap - pear be - fore him. God is here with -
 soul and life and each en - deav - or. Help us to sur -
 light mine eyes to see my du - ty. As the ten - der
 be thine earth - ly sanc - tu - ar - y. Come, in - dwell - ing



in us; souls in si - lence fear him, hum - bly, fer - vent -
 ren - der earth's de - ceit - ful trea - sures, pride of life, and
 flow - ers ea - ger - ly un - fold them, to the sun - light
 Spi - rit, with trans - fi - guring splen - dor; love and hon - or



ly draw near him. Now his own who have known
 sin - ful plea - sures: thou a - lone shalt be known
 calm - ly hold them, so let me qui - et - ly
 will I ren - der. Where I go here be - low,

God, in wor-ship low - ly, yield their spi - rits whol - ly.
 Lord of all our be - ing, life's true way de - cree - ing.
 in thy rays im - bue me; let thy light shine through me.
 let me bow be - fore thee, know thee, and a - dore thee.

Music: Joachim Neander
 Words: Gerhardt Tersteegen (1729)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer B) BCP pg. 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

(Said at 8:00 am; Sung at 10:00 am, see next page)

Celebrant and people

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, ___

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. ___

Heav - en and earth are full, ___ full ___ of ___ your glo - ry.
Bless'd is the one who comes ___ in the name of the Lord. ___

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

CONSECRATION

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds with the Eucharistic Prayer B found on pg. 368 of the Book of Common Prayer.

...Therefore according to his command, O Father

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As now our Savior Christ has taught us, in the language of your heart, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD (Spoken at 8:00 am; Sung at 10:00 am)

Celebrant This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

People Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Beau-ti-ful, Gra-cious paint-ed in my heart you were cre-a-ted for love.

Beau-ti-ful, gra - cious, soul of my be-lov-ed seek your-self in me.

The image shows a musical score for two parts of a hymn. The first part is for the Celebrant and the People, and the second part is for the People. The music is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first part consists of two staves, with the lyrics 'Beau-ti-ful, Gra-cious paint-ed in my heart you were cre-a-ted for love.' The second part also consists of two staves, with the lyrics 'Beau-ti-ful, gra - cious, soul of my be-lov-ed seek your-self in me.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style, suitable for a church service.

Music and Words: Darlene Franz

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

If in Your Heart



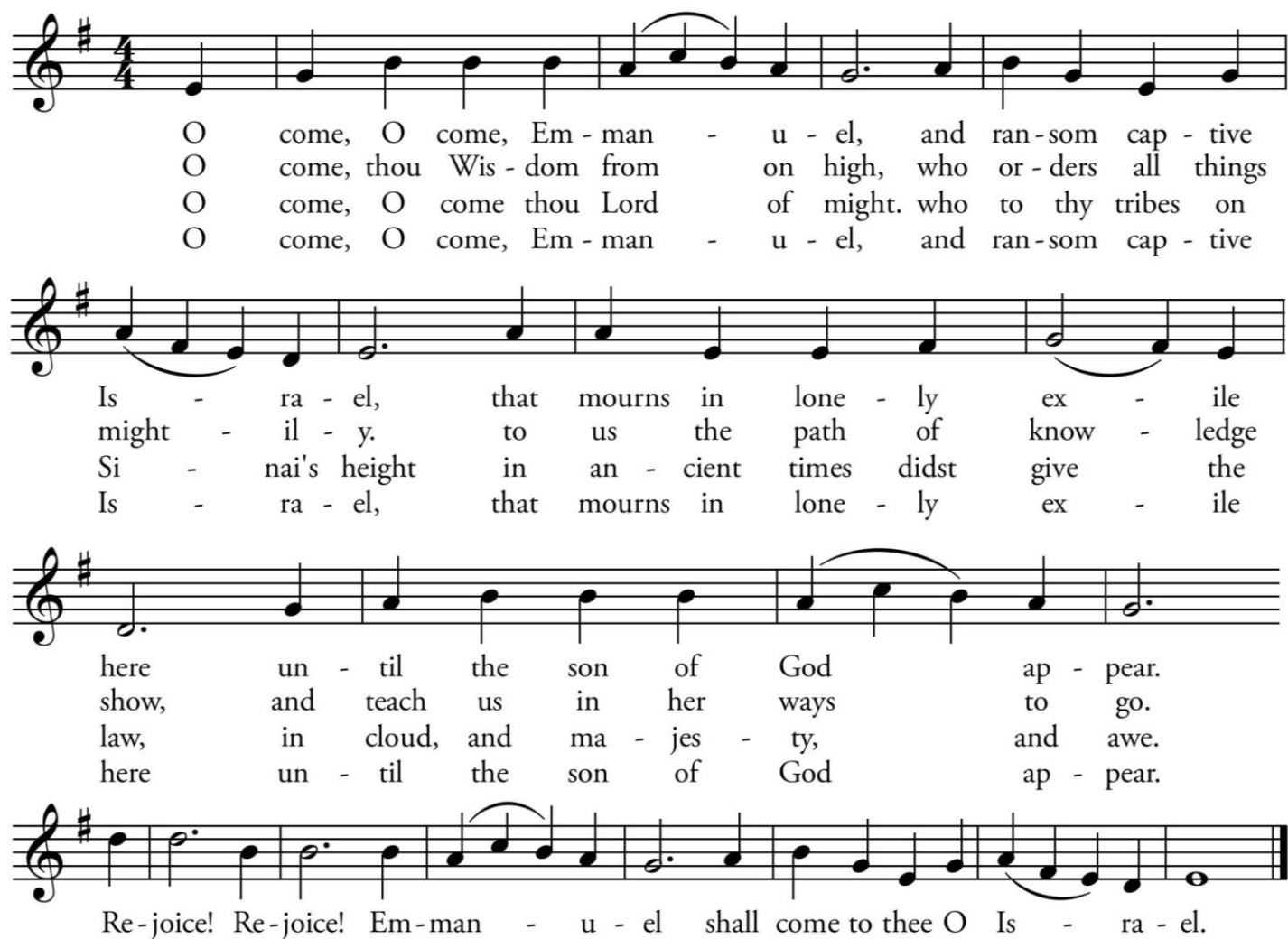
If ___ in our hearts we make a man-ger for his birth, _____
 then God will once a - gain be-come a child on earth. _____ If earth. _____

Music: Ana Hernandez

Words: Johannes Scheffler

COMMUNION HYMN

O Come, O Come Emmanuel



O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran-som cap - tive
 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - ders all things
 O come, O come thou Lord of might. who to thy tribes on
 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran-som cap - tive
 Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 might - il - y. to us the path of know - ledge
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 here un - til the son of God ap - pear.
 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 here un - til the son of God ap - pear.
 Re-joice! Re-joice! Em-man - u - el shall come to thee O Is - ra - el.

Music: Thomas Helmore

Words: John Mason Neale

POST COMMUNION PRAYER


Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1. Love di - vine all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven to earth come down,
2. Come, al - might - y to de - li - ver, let us all thy life re - ceive;
3. Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less let us be;

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
sud - den - ly re - turn, and ne - ver, ne - ver - more thy tem - ples leave.
let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee:

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
Thee we would be al - ways bles - sing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

657; words: Charles Wesley; music: R. H. Prichard "Hyfrydol"

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**

POSTLUDE

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

8:00 am Service

Officiant and Preacher:	The Rev. Alfredo Feregrino
Deacon:	The Rev. Lynette Poulton Kamakura
Lector:	
Lay Eucharistic Minister:	Mary Maxon
Altar Guild:	Sandra Kimura and Jane Melhuish
Usher:	Sandra Kimura

10:00 am Service

Officiant and Preacher:	The Rev. Alfredo Feregrino
Associate Priest:	The Rev. Amy Cox
Deacon:	The Rev. Lynette Poulton Kamakura
Music Director:	Jack Barben
Lector:	Charlotte Love
Lay Eucharistic Minister:	Kathy Gallaher and Melanie Kenoyer
Altar Guild:	Janet Butler
Ushers:	Jim Christen and Gail Bauhs
Coffee Hour:	
Video and Sound:	Bob Lawson, Mike Morrison and Yasuhiko Kamakura

ALTAR FLOWERS AND COMMUNION BREAD

The communion bread is donated by Melanie Kenoyer

The altar arrangement is given to the Glory of God during this season of Advent.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We remember and honor the Indigenous people of North and South America, in particular the nations whose land we now occupy in this region that was once their home. We at St. Luke's ~ San Lucas Episcopal Church acknowledge that we are on the unceded ancestral lands of the Chinook and Cowlitz people. A people that are still here, continuing to honor and bring to light their ageless heritage.



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