

Advent III

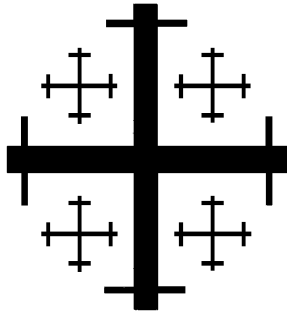
17 December 2023

9:30 am



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
CHILDREN'S
SUNDAY SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM





The Liturgy at Calvary

ADVENT III "Rejoice always," begins the reading from 1 Thessalonians. Isaiah and the psalmist make clear that God is turning our mourning into laughter and shouts of joy. "All God's children got a robe," go the words of a spiritual. It is not so much a stately, formal, pressed outfit as it is a set of party clothes, clothes we are happy to wear. We receive that robe in baptism, and in worship we gather for a foretaste of God's party.

Penitential Rite

Please stand and face the Baptismal Font

Emmanuel

Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el,
His name is called Em - man - u - el;
God with us, re - vealed in us;
His name is called Em - man - u - el.

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L "...Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-22). Let us confess the ways we quench the Spirit and despise the words of the prophets.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

L We pray...

C O God our Savior, help us to rejoice always. Forgive our failure to be ever thankful, to do what is good and to hold fast to the promise of your salvation. Fill our mouths with laughter and music and lead us back to freedom (Psalm 126).

L "The God of peace sanctifies you entirely and keeps your spirit and soul and body blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The One who calls you is faithful and will do this, through Christ Jesus our Lord" (1. Thessalonians 5:23-24).

Reprise *Emmanuel*

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison

ALL *Capo 1* D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A>(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2) D(sus4) Eb(sus4) Bm Cm

For peace in our hearts, the sal - va - tion of our souls,

Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

in peace let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A>(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR D Eb Fm Gm G Ab A Bb

For peace throughout the world; the well be - ing of God's church,

Em Fm A Bb Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

and the un - i - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Fb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A>(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2) D Eb G A>

For this ho - ly house and for all who ga - ther here to

Em Fm 3 A Bb Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

lift up their hearts in wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A>(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky - ri - e e - le - i - son

CANTOR D Eb Fm Gm Em Fm G A> A Bb D Eb

Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us grac - ious Lord.

ALL D Eb Em Fm A Bb D(sus4) Eb(sus4)

A men.

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Canticle of Praise

Stir Up Your Power and Come

1. Stir up your pow'r, O Lord, and come. A - gain we
2. Is hea - ven's mo - ment far or near? And when will
pray, "Your will be done." May Ad - vent blue to us for -
Je - sus re - ap - pear? The com - ing dawn is our de -
tell the ec - ho of Em - man u - el.
light in this, the dark - est hour of night.

3. We could in - side the church re - main, like dry ground
watch - ing for the rain. We could de - cide to sit and
wa - it, as Je - sus we an - ti - ci - pate.

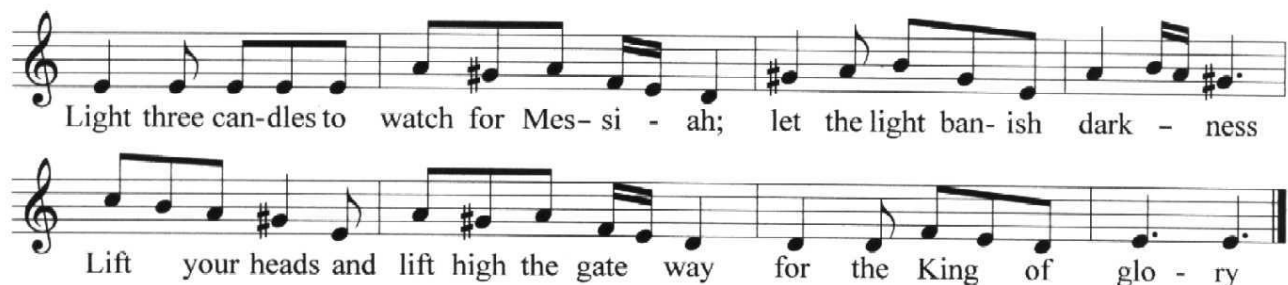
4. But we must keep hands to the plow; God's time is
both not yet and now, Our faith in - forms what we shall
do. May Christ re - turn and find us
true. May Christ re - turn and find us true.

Chords: C, F, Em, Gsus, Bb, Am, G, G7

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Blessing & Lighting the Advent Wreath

We sing the verse below before and after the blessing.



Light three can-dles to watch for Mes- si - ah; let the light ban- ish dark - ness

Lift your heads and lift high the gate way for the King of glo - ry

P We praise you, O God, for this victory wreath that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the candles on this wreath, strengthen our hearts as we await the Lord's coming in glory. Enlighten us with your grace that we may serve our neighbors in need. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

C **Amen**

✠ Sunday School Christmas Program ✠

Creed

A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God

ALL 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

Prayers of the Faithful

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Instrumental Intro

In the si-lence Lord, Hear our prayer.
 In the still-ness Lord, Hear our prayer.
 Our spo-ken words, our si-lent thoughts:
 these we hum-bly share.
 In this mo-ment Lord, Hear our prayer.

After each petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord **C Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you

**OFFERTORY *O Savior Rend the Heavens Wide*
Sanctuary Choir**

Michael Helman [2004]

German, Köln, 1623 tr. Martin L Seltz

**O Savior, rend the heavens wide;
come down, come down, with mighty stride;
unlock the gates, the doors break down;
unbar the way to heaven's crown.**

**O Morning Star, O radiant Sun,
when will our hearts behold your dawn?
O Sun, arise; without your light
we grope in gloom and dark of night.**

**Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies;
grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
Oh, come, lead us with mighty hand
from exile to our promised land.**

**There shall we all our praises ever bring
To you, our Savior King;
There shall we laud you and adore
Forever and forevermore.**



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Please stand as our gifts are offered, singing:

F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C B♭ Gm

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve

C⁷_{sus} C⁷ F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C

you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that

Gm F/A C F Am⁷ Dm⁷

I might be re - newed. So fill me and

Am⁷ Dm⁷ Gm⁷ Gm/D C⁷_{sus} C⁷

heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -

F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C Gm F/A C F

ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve you.

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God mighty and immortal through Jesus Christ our Lord.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new, when He comes again to judge the world in righteousness.

And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed*]

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -
 san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e-brate your ris - ing; we
 break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

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

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



Holy Communion

In-Person: We commune by continuous line by intinction.
Ushers will guide.

Wine is Red Grape Juice is White
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:
“Know that the promises of Jesus’s love are for you.”

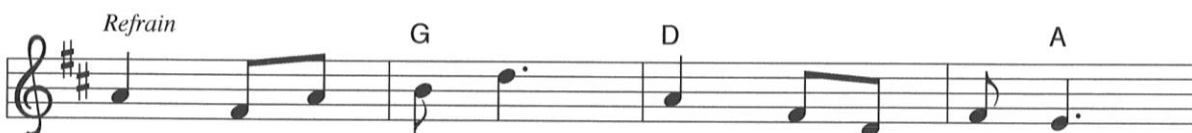
Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.



Refrain
 Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Kum ba Yah

C F C
 Kum ba yah my Lord, Kum ba yah.

Em F G
 Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah.

C F C
 Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah.

F C G C
 O Lord, Kum by yah.

2. Someone's Hungry Lord
3. Someone's Homeless Lord
4. Someone's Crying Lord
5. We are Praying Lord
6. Kum ba yah, my Lord

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

C
He's Got the Whole World in his Hands:
G7
He's got the whole world in His hands
C
He's got the whole world in His hands
G7 C
He's got the whole world in His hands.

2. He's got you and me brother,
3. He's got you and me sister,
4. He's got the itty bitty baby
5. He's got everybody here

This Little Light of Mine

Text & Music: African American Spiritual

G D G
1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

C G
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

B Em
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

G Em⁷ A D⁷ G C G
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Other verses:

Hide it under a bushel NO...
Won't let Satan, blow it out...
Shine all through the neighborhood...

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry ELW 249

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es
 2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; make straight the
 3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our ref - uge
 4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us
 5 All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent

that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
 way for God with - in, and let us all our
 and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we
 rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -
 has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther

for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
 hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
 waste a - way like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
 on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.
 we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. composite
 Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C Amen

Post Communion Canticle

Inspired by an Easter homily
of St. Augustine

The monks of Weston Priory
Vermont

With broken bread in our hands, your
word a fire in our hearts, we now pro - claim our own
myst- 'ry: in this jour- ney from death in -
to your new life, we are your bread, we your bo - dy.

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A Let us pray... Generous God,
in bread and cup you have revealed your glory
for all people to see together.
Nourished by this meal, send us out to proclaim
your good news of liberation and release,
brought to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you
peace.

C Amen

Please turn in place, facing the cross carried by the crucifer.

Recessional – ELW 439

Soon and Very Soon

439

Capo 3: D
F

G B \flat D F



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon

A

D



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon

G B \flat D F



soon and ver - y soon
no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon

D 7 G
F 7 B \flat

Gm
B \flat m

D F

A 7 C 7

1, 2, 3

D
F



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4

D

E

A 7

D

E

A 7



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

D

E

A 7

D

E

A 7

D



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: Andraé Crouch

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VERY SOON
12 12 12 and refrain

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord
C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude Reprise

Upcoming Commemorations

**Katharina von Bora Luther, renewer of the church, died
1552**

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

Born to an impoverished nobleman, Katie eventually took vows as a nun, but around age twenty-four she and several other nuns who were influenced by the writings of Martin Luther left the convent. Six children were born to Katie and Martin.

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Viktor Andersson, *piano*
Toni Tharp, *flute, vocals*
Janet Thorp, *guitar, vocals*
Jacob Groening, *trumpet, vocals*
David Lakota, *bass guitar*
Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, *vocals*
Robert Morris, Paul Slezak *trombone*

Debbie Villavicencio, *organ*
Karen Moxley, *violin, vocals*
Dale Taylor, *guitar*
Brian Haywood, *sax, vocals*
Blake Kitch, *percussion*

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CHRISTMAS CAROLING

ALL are welcome. COME and make a JOYFUL NOISE



Sunday, Dec. 17 • 5pm
SHAW'S GRILL
1051 W Magnolia, Fort Worth

Kyrie Pub Church hosts its 11th Annual Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long at Shaw's. Food, drinks, candles, a family friendly atmosphere.



Wednesday, Dec. 20 • 6:30pm
FLYING SAUCER
111 E. 3rd St. Fort Worth

Join Calvary Musicians for Christmas Carols on the Flying Saucer patio in the heart of Sundance Square. Food, drink and fellowship!

Christmas Eve - Sunday December 24

Advent IV – One service only at 10 am

4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm – Lessons, Carols, Eucharist

11 pm – Midnight Mass