

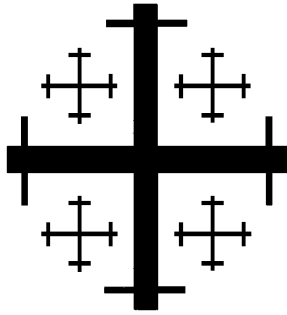
Advent I

1 December 2024

9:30 am



**Festival Eucharist ✠ Installation of
Pastor Kyle Symanski**



The Liturgy at Calvary

Advent is about the "coming days."

God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Jesus' contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

Prelude "Canzon noni toni" *Sacrae Symphoniae*,

Giovanni Gabrieli Venice 1597 Calvary Brass & Organ

Penetential Rite

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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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 (Greek, Lord have mercy)

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 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 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 G 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.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef. It begins in 3/2 time and changes to 4/2 time at the end of the third system. Chord symbols (C, F, Em, Gsus, Bb, Am) are placed above the staff to indicate harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with line breaks corresponding to the musical phrasing. The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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Blessing & Lighting The Advent Wreath

*We sing the verse below before **and** after the blessing.*

Am Em/G F Dm E Am/E E

Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah; let the light ban-ish dark - ness.

Am E/B Am/C Dm Dm/F Dm E(sus4) E

He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is-ra-el. God ful - fills the prom - ise.

Copyright © 1984 Fortress Press: Text: Wayne L. Wold, Music: Yiddish folk tune

P We praise you, O God, for this evergreen crown that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the first candle on this wreath, rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes. Enlighten us with your grace, and prepare our hearts to welcome him with joy. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

C Amen

Please sit for today's readings from scripture.

First Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The 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. ¹⁵In 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. ¹⁶In 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.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

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

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And 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.

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - jah!

Hal - le hal - le hal - le lu - jah!

hal - le hal - le ha - le lu -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Verse (sung by choir) Stir up your hearts! The Lord has come. Rejoice the Lord has come! Lift you voice. Rejoice and sing: Alleluia.

Halle Halle Halle reprise

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 21st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“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. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

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

³⁴“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, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be 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 Our Lord
C **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon *Bishop Erik Gronberg*

We Lift Our Hearts

Viktor Andersson

1. We lift our hearts this day. in grate - ful thanks and
 2. Lift spir - its in des - pair, heal hurt - ing eve - ry -
 3. Good Shep herd, tend our flock, Your love our hearts un -
 4. Through wa - ter, bread, and wine, word, mu - sic, sac - red

praise be - loved of God Cre a - tor;
 where. bless lone - ly, wear - y, strang - er.
 lock Pro - tect, en - fold your child - ren
 sign. Our spir - its soar - ing, ra - diant.

True Light True hope. Re - born in wa - ter
 Com - fort with care. Keep this our sacr - ed
 wand - 'ring good Earth. We tread on paths un -
 joy - ful, we sing. May God Cre - a - tor

blest, Bap - tis - mal creed pro - fessed. For -
 space a place of re - fuge, safe. Let
 known, trust - ing in God a - lone Midst
 Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it One. Your

giv - en, fed, and norish - ed, called to be like Christ.
 jus - tice and com - pass - ion flow to wel - come all.
 vast and new hor - i - zons, Ho - ly Spir - it bless.
 glor - ious Light in - spire us. Send - ing us to serve.

Fill our hearts. Guide our hands. Lead us on - ward,
 pil - grim band. Take our hearts. Use our hands.
 Show us the way to the promis - ed land.

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Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized

ALL I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only- Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

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

A 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.**

Installation of The Rev. Kyle Lawrence Symanski

The assembly is seated. The Bishop invites Pastor Kyle Symanski and Debra Machos to come before him and the assembly.

Bishop: Having been authorized by the Church to install the Reverend Kyle Lawrence Symanski, our co-worker in the Gospel, as Co-Pastor,
I now ask for certification of this call.

Debra Machos, President of the Church Council:

After prayerful deliberation, our call committee unanimously recommended, the church council unanimously approved and the members of Calvary Lutheran Church voted unanimously to call the Reverend Kyle Lawrence Symanski to be a pastor for our community of faith.

I present him and this letter certifying the call.

Debra Machos gives the Bishop the letter certifying the call

Bishop: Pastor Kyle, having been called by this family of faith, and in the presence of this assembly, do you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility,
pledging

- to preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church,
- to carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- to be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace,
- to love, serve, and pray for God's people, nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living
- to give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do

Pr Kyle Symanski: I do, and I ask God to help me.

Bishop: People of God,
will you receive Pastor Kyle as a messenger of Jesus Christ
sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation?
Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and a steward of the
mysteries of God?

C We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for him? Will you help and honor him in carrying
out this ministry?

In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and
unity of Christ?

C We will, and we ask God to help us.

Bishop addresses Pr Kyle Symanski

Bishop Pastor Kyle, the office of Pastor of Calvary Lutheran is
now committed to you in the name of the Father, ✠ and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Blessing

Pastor Kyle S kneels for the blessing

Bishop The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that
you may do God's will,
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

C Amen

Word & Sacrament Procession

Pr Kyle S stands and is led by Pr Kyle R to the places of the word and sacraments

The Baptismal Font

They proceed to the Baptismal Font, where a member of the Search Committee says:

You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

The Pulpit

They proceed to the pulpit, where a member of the Search Committee says:

You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

The Altar

They proceed to the altar, where a member of the Search Committee says:

You have been called to be among us to lead worship and preside at Holy Communion.

Bishop: People of God, I present to you Pastor Kyle Symanski
Please welcome him in the name of Christ.

The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Offertory *Day by Day [Blott en Dag]* Sanctuary Choir

Text Carolilna Sandell Berg (1826-1903) *Tr.* R. Leaf(1936-2505)

Music Oscar Ahnfelt (1813–1882) *Arr.* Mark Hayes (b 1953)

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Day by day, I know you will provide me
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
till in glory I behold your face.

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.



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

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

I might be re - newed. So fill me and

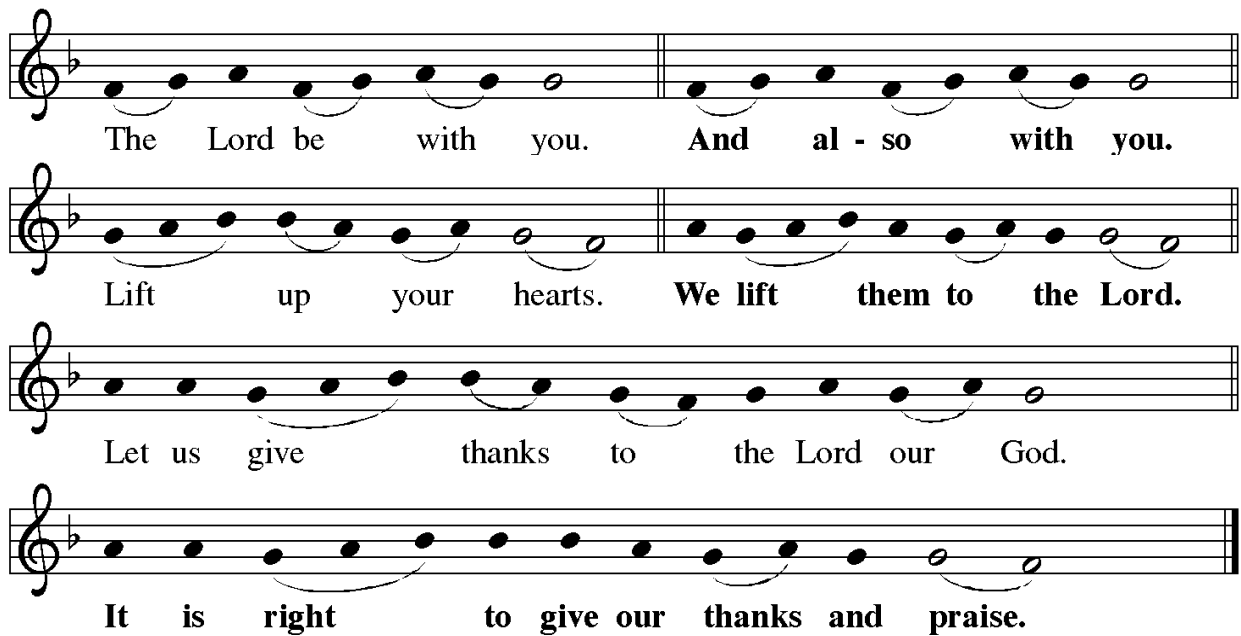
heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -

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



- 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*]

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of eight staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, and guitar chords are indicated above the staff lines. The chords used are Dm, Bb, Gm, C7, Fmaj7, A(sus4), and A7.

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er - more
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here.
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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Eucharistic Prayer

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.
We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

 In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

 Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send now your Holy Spirit to bless us, and these your gifts of
bread and wine; that we and all who share in the body and blood
of Christ may be filled with Heavenly peace and joy

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Eucharistic Acclamation



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**

P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb of God]

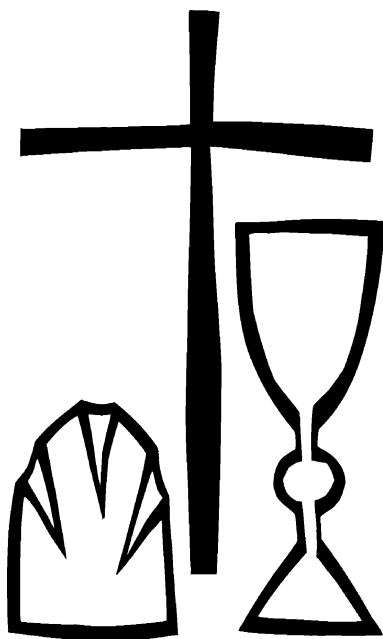
Four staves of music in treble clef, 4/4 time. The melody is simple, using mostly quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us." The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. Chord symbols (Em, Am, D7, G, Am/F#, B7, E7) are written above the notes.

O Lamb of .. God, you. take a-way the sin of the world:

Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

"Codero de dios" *Holy Communion Setting 7* ELW © 2006 Augsburg

Holy Communion



In-Person:

All are welcome to commune at the Altar.
 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 communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion.

Consider giving this blessing:

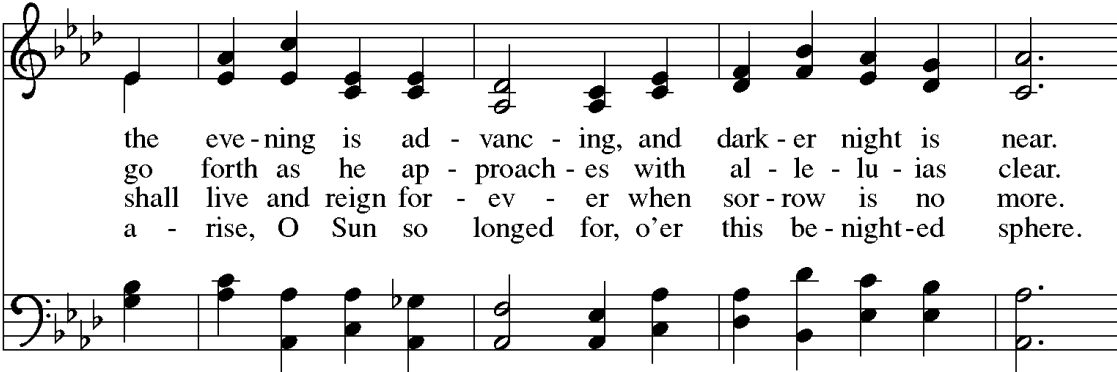
"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

***All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Sandra Eithun
 [2001] Handbell Choir**

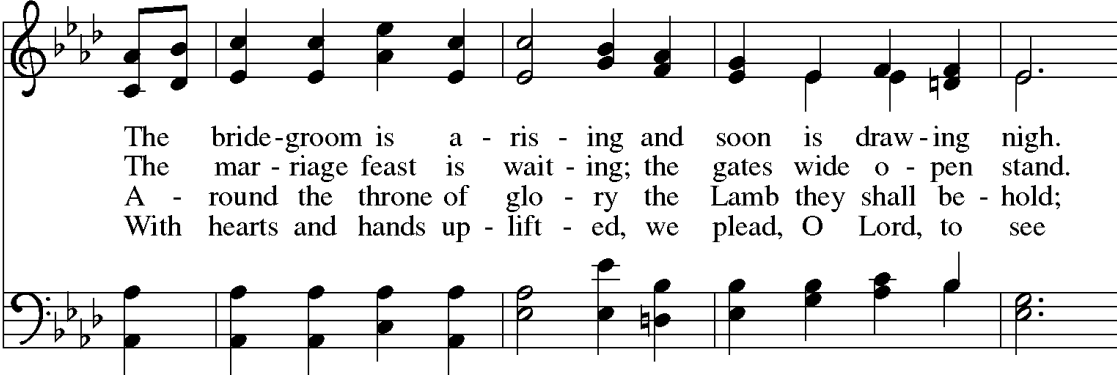
Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



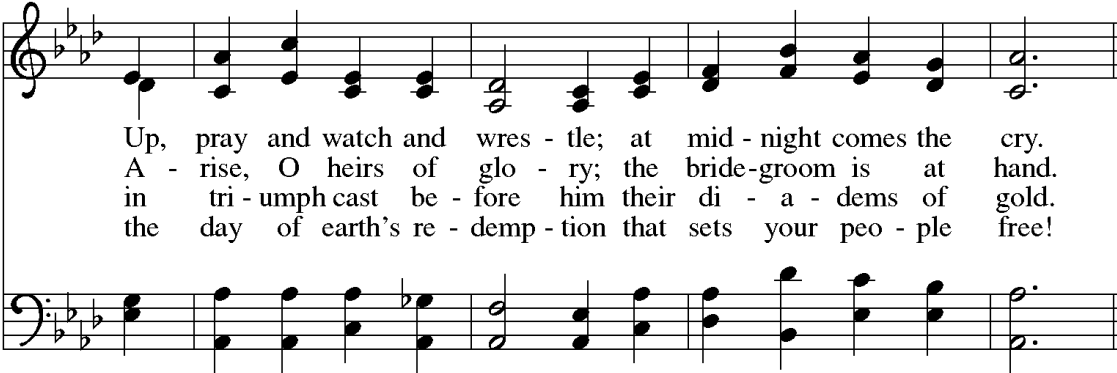
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

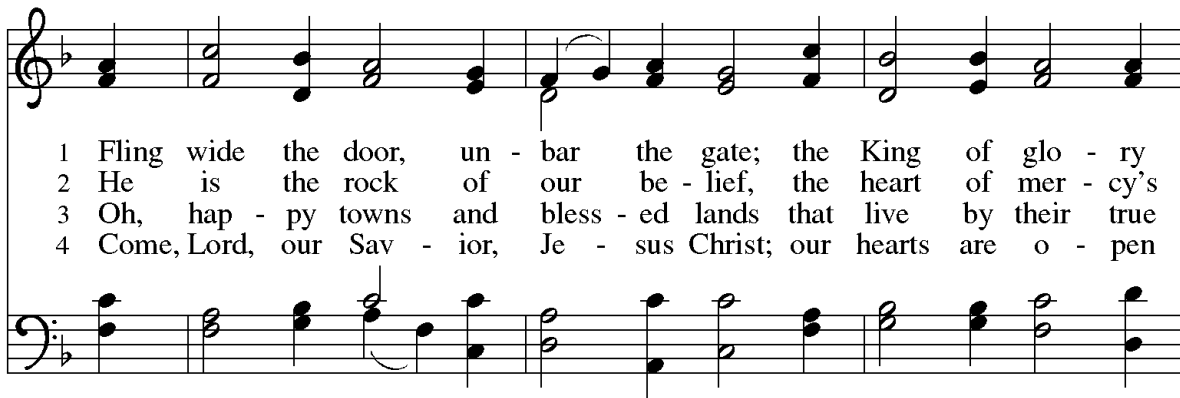


Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

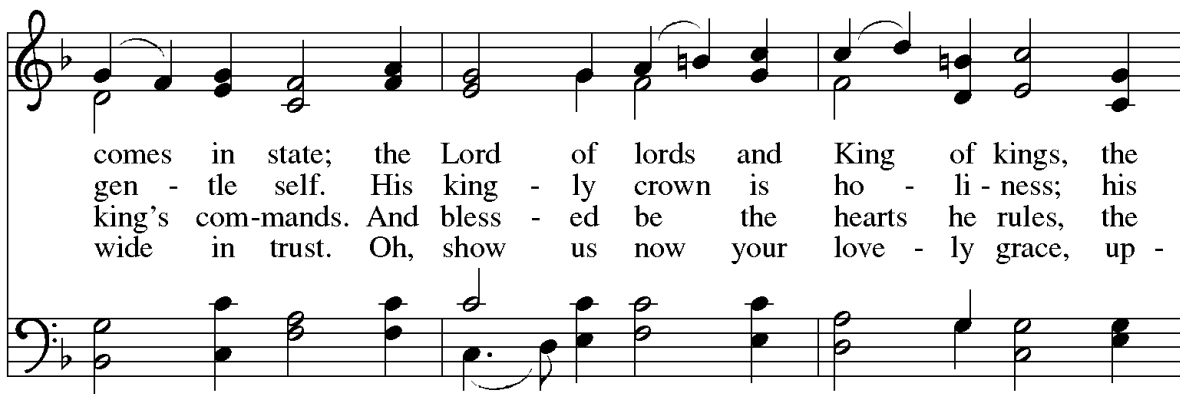
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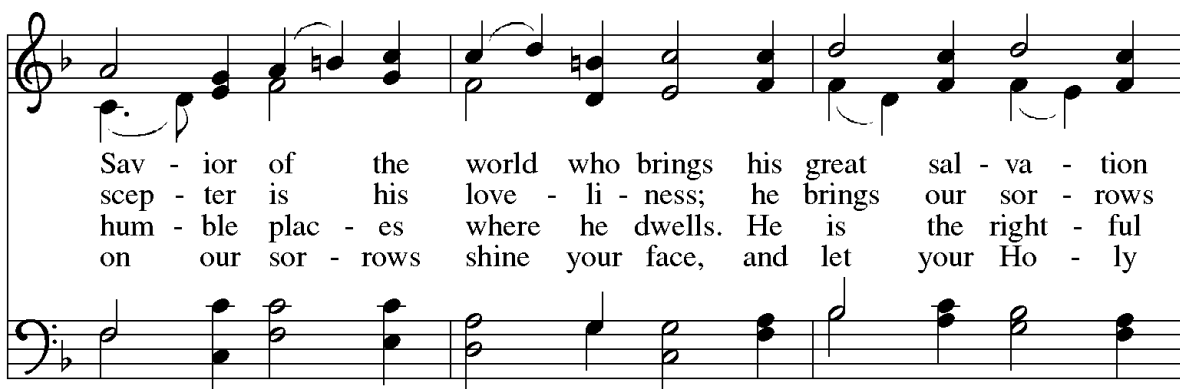
Fling Wide the Door



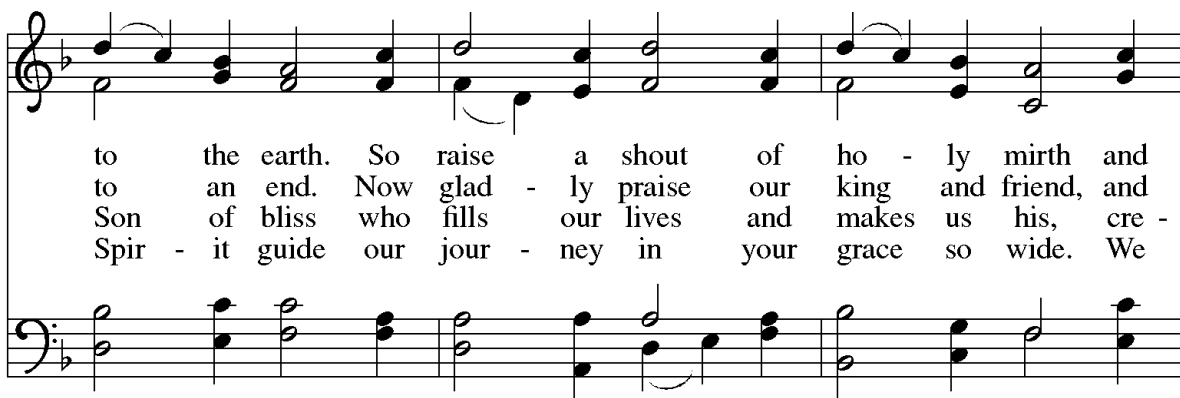
1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; the King of glo - ry
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, the heart of mer - cy's
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands that live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; our hearts are o - pen



comes in state; the Lord of lords and King of kings, the
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; his
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, the
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, up -



Sav - ior of the world who brings his great sal - va - tion
 scep - ter is his love - li - ness; he brings our sor - rows
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
 on our sor - rows shine your face, and let your Ho - ly



to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth and
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, and
 Son of bliss who fills our lives and makes us his, cre -
 Spir - it guide our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song for sav - ing us from wrong.
 a - tor of the world, our on - ly strength for good.
 praise your ho - ly name, from age to age the same!

Text: Georg Weissel, 1590–1635; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943
 Music: MACHT HOCH DIE TÜR, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; arr. hymnal version
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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 bro - ken 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... Holy One, we give you thanks that in this
 bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love.
 Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we
 may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of
 justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal
 Word, our Savior Jesus Christ. **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

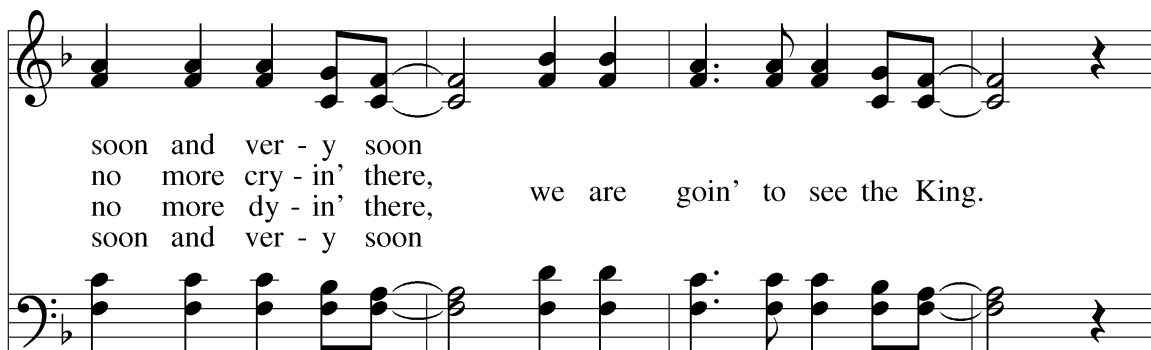
Soon and Very Soon



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



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



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 soon and ver - y soon

1, 2

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

This system contains the first two measures of the song. The treble staff features a melody with eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The key signature has one flat (B-flat).

3, 4

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

This system contains measures three and four. The melody continues with a mix of eighth and quarter notes, and the accompaniment maintains the harmonic structure. The lyrics are split across the two staves.

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

This system contains measures five and six. The melody concludes with a final note, and the accompaniment provides a solid harmonic base. The lyrics are split across the two staves.

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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE ***Orchestral Reprise Soon & Very Soon***

Commemorations This Week

Francis Xavier, missionary to Asia, died 1552

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

A native of the Basque region of Spain, Xavier became a missionary to India, Southeast Asia, Japan, and the Philippines. He also helped to found the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

John of Damascus, theologian and hymnwriter, died around 749

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

A monk in an abbey near Jerusalem, John wrote many hymns as well as theological works. One of his works, *The Fount of Wisdom*, remained influential for centuries.

Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, died around 342

Friday, December 6, 2024

Little is known about Nicholas, except that he was a bishop in present-day Turkey. According to legend, he was famous for his giving to the poor, and so has become a symbol of anonymous gift-giving.

Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, died 397

Saturday, December 7, 2024

While a governor of northern Italy, Ambrose was elected bishop of Milan on the same day he was baptized. He was a famous preacher, a writer of hymns we still sing today, and helped lead St. Augustine to faith.

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We rejoice in welcoming Pr. Kyle Symanski.

Pr. Kyle Symanski was born and raised in Evergreen Park, Il.

He's a graduate of the University of Minnesota ('13, Mathematics) and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago ('18, M. Div).

He previously served as the intern at Calvary from 2016-17.

Since 2018 he has served at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Valley City, ND, most recently as Lead Pastor.

He has been married to Pr. Sharayah Robinson since 2020, and they are excited for this new adventure, as are his puppies Mongo and Goose.