Advent Worship

With Communion



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God's work. Our hands.

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To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who opens the heavens and draws near to us with salvation.

Amen.

God is patient and merciful, desiring all to come to repentance.

Trusting this promise of grace, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Everlasting God, you love justice and you hate wrongdoing.

We confess the fear, greed, and self-centeredness that make us reluctant to work against oppression.

We are complicit in systems of exploitation. We choose comfort over courage.

We are careless with creation's bounty.

Look upon us with mercy.

Turn our hearts again to you.

Make us glad to do your will and to walk in your ways for the sake of our waiting world.

Amen.

Hear these words of assurance:
God clothes you with garments of salvation and covers you with robes of righteousness.
In the tender compassion of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
God's covenant is eternal, and God's blessing rests upon us all.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

PSALM: 80:1-7, 17-19

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

GOSPEL READING: Mark 13:24-37

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.

After the reading, please be seated.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

NICENE CREED

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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 INTERCESSION

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

MEAL

OFFERING

At this time an offering is collected to support the ongoing ministries of the church.

OFFERING HYMN:

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OFFERING PRAYER

God our provider, by your merciful hand abundance springs up from the earth. Receive and bless these gifts of your own bounty. Let them be a sign of your steadfast love and faithfulness for all people, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...unending hymn:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The minister continues:

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In this meal, righteousness and peace meet together. Come, take your place at the table.

The assembly may be seated.

COMMUNION SONG:

ELW 472

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Following the distribution, the minister blesses the assembly.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ + strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of peace bless you, the love of Christ sustain you in hope, and the anointing of the Spirit + remain upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin. Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.

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Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun 557 thy with the wake. soul, and sun Α my 1 and who safe hast kept All thee. 2 praise to thee re new. Dis vows to Lord. my all day, - trol, gest, this Di rect, con sug bless - ings flow; praise all Praise God. from whom shake off dull sloth, and of du run; dai - ly stage ty while Ì slept. Grant, Lord, when from hast re freshed me first springs of morn - ing dew; guard my sins as perse my all my pow'rs, with do that de sign or or say, a - bove, ye praise God be - low; all crea tures here God, sac - ri - fice. thy morn - ing ful rise to pay joy of end less light par - take. death shall wake, Ι may spir - it fill. thy self thought and will; and with my glo may u - nite. might, thy sole ry all their in Ho - ly Ghost.

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MORNING HYMN LM

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Son,

and

Fa - ther,

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah 240



- 1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si ah: let the light ban-ish dark ness.
- 2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si ah: let the light ban-ish dark ness.
- 3 Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si ah: let the light ban-ish dark ness.
- 4 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si ah: let the light ban-ish dark ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise. He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward. Lift your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King of glo - ry. He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!

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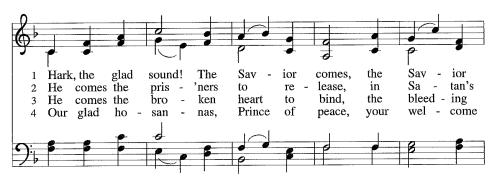
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Hark, the Glad Sound!



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