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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

DEC 24, 2020

PRE-SERVICE WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" LBW# 45: V 1,2,3

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P *Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who shines in glory,
clothes us in compassion,
and bears gifts of mercy for all.*

C Amen

P *Let us confess our sins with confidence in God's promise of forgiveness.*

P *God, wonderful counselor,*

C **we confess that we have turned from your gifts
and chosen our own way.**

**We have not made room for you
in our hearts or in our world.**

**We have lived in fear;
we have not welcomed the stranger;
we desire gifts that will not endure.**

**Forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
and open us to receive the peace of Jesus
dwelling in and among us.**

Amen

P *God's lovingkindness has appeared to us in Christ our Savior.*

*We are saved, not by anything we have done,
but by God's mercy poured out on us richly.*

*In the name of Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.*

*Through the Spirit living in you,
God give you faith to trust Jesus,
who is Love born for you, now and always.*

C Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

HYMN: "I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve/Jeg Er Så Glad Hver Julekvel"

Printed Below

I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve
Jeg er så glad hver julekvel



Jeg er så glad hver ju - le - kveld, ti da blev Je - sus født;

- 1 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve, the night of Je - sus' birth!
- 2 The lit - tle child in Beth - le - hem, he was a king in - deed!
- 3 He dwells a - gain in heav - en's realm, the Son of God to - day;
- 4 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve! His prais - es then I sing;
- 5 And so I love each Christ-mas Eve, and I love Je - sus too;



da lys - te stjer - nen som en sol, og eng - ler sang så sødt.

Then like the sun the star shone forth, and an - gels sang on earth.
For he came down from heav'n a - bove to help a world in need.

and still he loves his lit - tle ones and hears them when they pray.
he o - pens now for ev - 'ry child the pal - ace of the king.
and that he loves me ev - 'ry day I know so well is true.

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

P *On the eve of our Christmas celebration, Jesus' birthday, we light all of the candles of the Advent wreath. First we light the PROPHECY candle; the ones who foretold His coming. Second, we light the BETHLEHEM candle; where Jesus was born. Third, we light the SHEPHERD'S candle; the ones who first heard and shared the Good News. Fourth, we light the ANGEL'S candle; who continue to be messengers of this Good News. Finally we light the center candle. This is the CHRIST candle. Jesus is born. Jesus has come. Jesus is our salvation.*

Here is a reading from Galatians:

“But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law” —Galatians 4.4

P *Let us pray:*

C **Great God of love and light, we thank you now for the light of that special star over two thousand years ago that guided humble shepherds and learned wise men to the holy babe. Lead us now, by the light of your love, that we also may follow you to new life in him. In celebration of the birthday of our King and our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen**

CHILDREN’S SERMON: LET THE CHILDREN COME

HYMN: *“Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel* LBW# 34 V 1&5

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 9:2-7

² The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness —
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

⁵For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

⁶For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷His authority shall grow continually,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.

He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 96

¹*Sing to the LORD a new song;*

sing to the LORD, all the earth.

²**Sing to the LORD, bless the name of the LORD;
proclaim God's salvation from day to day.**

³*Declare God's glory among the nations
and God's wonders among all peoples.*

⁴**For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised,
more to be feared than all gods.**

⁵*As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;
but you, O LORD, have made the heavens.*

⁶**Majesty and magnificence are in your presence;
power and splendor are in your sanctuary.**

⁷*Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.*

⁸**Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name;
bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.**

⁹*Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;
tremble before the LORD, all the earth.*

¹⁰**Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is king!**

**The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will
judge the peoples with equity."**

¹¹*Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all
that is therein.*

¹²**Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming,
O LORD,
for you come to judge the earth.**

¹³*You will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with your truth.*

SECOND LESSON: Titus 2:11-14

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, ¹²training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, ¹³while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. ¹⁴He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

L The word of the Lord.

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GOSPEL: Luke 2:1-20

¹In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.

HYMN: “O Little Town of Bethlehem” LBW# 41 v 1-4

⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

HYMN: “Away in a Manger” LBW# 67 v 1-3

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

HYMN: “Angels We Have Heard On High” LBW# 71 v 1-3

¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

HYMN: *“What Child Is This”* LBW# 40

CHRISTMAS SERMON: *“More Than A Sign”*

SPECIAL MUSIC: PASTOR RANDALL & KIM QUESTAD *“Adore”*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING PRAYER

C Holy God, your beauty shines forth from the manger
and your love flows from the cross.

**As you gather us around these signs
of your love come among us,
warm us to extend your care
among the hungry and all in need.**

In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P *Come to the table where Christ meets you. Eat, rejoice, and be glad!*

**ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND HIS
REAL PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD’S
TABLE.**

COMMUNION HYMNS:

“A Hallelujah Christmas” VIDEO— Music sung by Notes Of Praise

“Joy to the World” LBW# 39 v 1-4

“Go Tell It on the Mountain” LBW# 70 v 1-3

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P *God of wonder,
in Jesus we behold the light of the world come near.
As you have come among us now,
send us out in joy, hastening to share
the good news of your love.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit dwelling among us now and forever.*

C Amen

DISTRIBUTION OF LIGHT

HYMN "Silent Night, Holy Night" LBW #65

BLESSING

P *God the Creator who delights in you,
Jesus the Savior who is born for you,
and the lifegiving Spirit who shines on you, bless you and keep you in
hope and peace.*

C Amen

DISMISSAL

P *Glory to God in the highest!*

C Peace to God's people on earth!

P *Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.*

C Yes we will, thanks be to God.

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The **deadline** to have you annual report items into the office will be **Jan 4th.**



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- Cake Mixes
- Brownie mixes
- Mustard
- BBQ Sauce
- Oil
- Paper towels
- Laundry Soap
- Tuna
- Cookie mixes
- Salad Dressing
- Juice
- Jelly
- Coffee
- Pudding cups
- Sugar
- Flour
- Dish soap

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PARTIALLY USED OR
OUTDATED ITEMS
PLEASE**

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the Baltic School in the red
box in the Commons or in
the Baltic Narthex or

Baltic and East Nidaros members:

Please. If you have a change of address, phone number
or email please let Jodee know.



In the event church or church activities need to be
cancelled due to weather, this is how we will
communicate the information:

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Click on News and Announcements
- * **Facebook**
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JANUARY NOISY CAN

Baltic: Baltic Food Pantry

East: Baltic Fire Department



Alliance Communications 'Keep the Change' Fund of the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation has awarded Baltic Lutheran Church a grant for \$1000.00 to be put towards the church's Technology Fund. This puts us a little closer to our goal for audio/video equipment to purchase and install. We appreciate and thank Alliance Communication and the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation for their generosity.

Sunday December 27th there will be no in person worship. Services will be live streamed on Facebook from East Nidaros at 10:30 am.

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