# Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church



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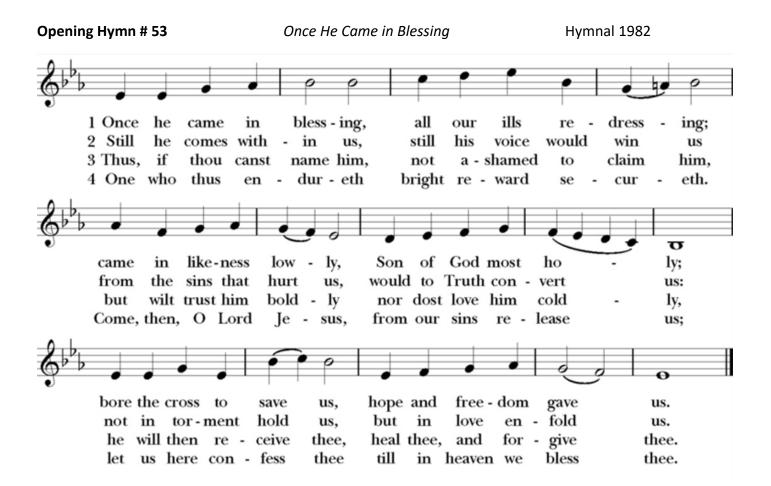
We, the congregation of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes), existing by and for the glory of God, knowing that God, through this congregation, helps us find our way and to use our gifts, gather together, to honor and celebrate the acceptance of our differences and uniqueness, to be an inviting, welcoming, sustaining and loving community, to respond to the needs of others, to preserve and build upon the beauty, tradition and heritage of this sacred place.

November 27, 2022 First Sunday of Advent

## **Ministry Assistants Today:**

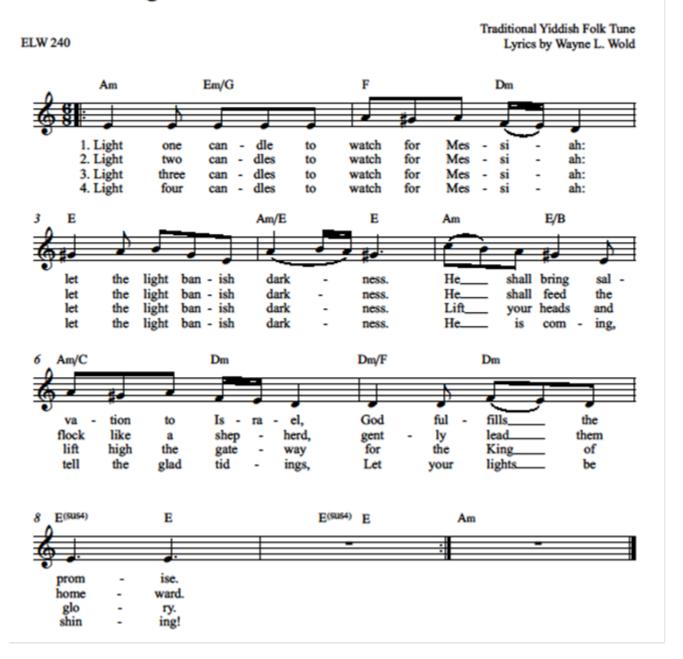
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Celebrant: Rev. Canon Gordon Reid Advent Candle: Jeanette & Richard Woehr





# Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah



Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

Gloria Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray

People Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of

light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Cathy Ufheil

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills;

all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk

in the light of the LORD!

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

People Thanks be to God

#### Psalm 122

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, \*
  "Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Now our feet are standing \* within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \* that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, \* the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \* the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*
  "May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \* and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \* I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, \* I will seek to do you good."

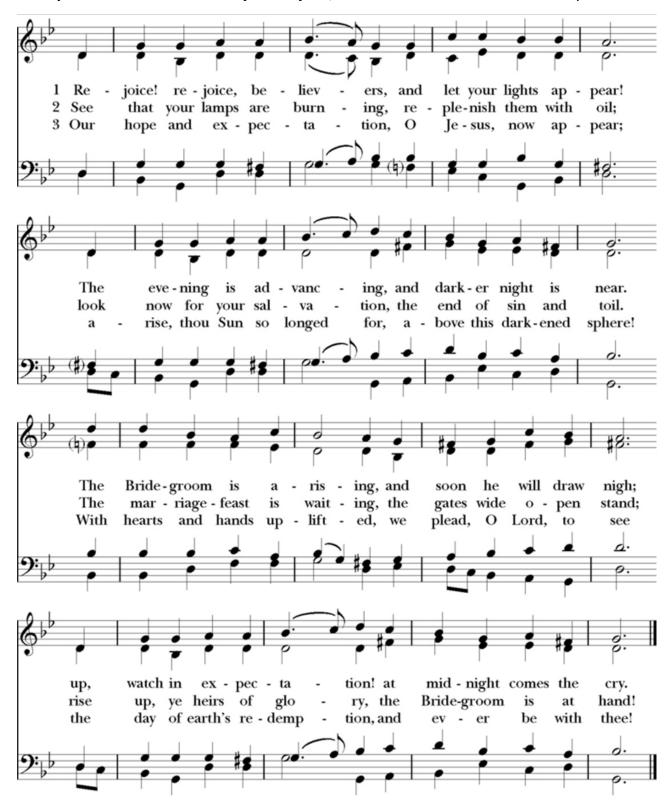
#### Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (24:36-44)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day

Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord **People Praise to you, Lord Christ** 

Homily

#### The 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: 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 People - Form III

**Candace Roberts** 

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.* 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.* 

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; the Vestry, staff, and congregation of our church.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.** 

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; We remember especially those who are connected to our church family: Bob, Jim, Charley, D.G., Eileen, Linda, John, Margie, Denise, Bobbi, Bill, Ed, Irene, Kim, Tom, Geoff, Connie, Bonnie, and Jack.

(You may add other names either silently or aloud.) Let us pray.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially **Ed Tobler**. (You may add names of departed people either silently or aloud.) We also pray for the souls of all who died in the pandemic, and from the epidemic of gun violence.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. Grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new Rector for our parish. We also ask for your blessings on anyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week.

Grant that we may continue to experience your love and guidance in the years to come.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the

prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will, through Jesus Christ Our

Lord. Amen.

#### The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you

#### **Announcements**

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

### Offertory

### The Holy Communion – Eucharistic Prayer B

+Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also 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 our 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 and great triumph to judge the world, 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are filled with Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**People** Celebrant We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory. And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 forever.

People

Amen.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People 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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for

you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving

#### **The Post-Communion Prayer**

Celebrant Let us pray

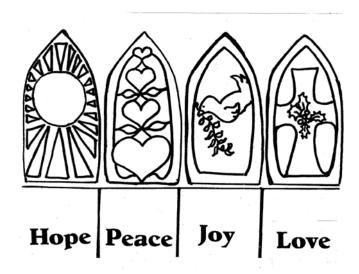
People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living

members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and

singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing





#### **Dismissal**

Celebrant Worship has ended and our service begins. Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the

power of the Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude** 



## **Evensong**

**Evensong: Tuesday Musical Meditation,** every Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Evensong has been on hiatus for the entire summer, so get ready to join us for a refreshed version of our popular service. Don't worry, it isn't entirely different! Paul Fejko will still be performing on our beautiful Hook & Hastings organ. Keep an eye out for some interesting guest guitarists, a drum circle, poems, and discussions that we hope will inspire you throughout the rest of the week. The program will be led by our sextons, Jim & Paula Minacci, who want to create a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere that everyone will enjoy.

# Join us for 10 Minutes of Prayer

Every Monday at 9:00am on Zoom.

Megan Bartlett will lead a ten-minute prayer, following the Morning Devotion service in the Book of Common Prayer. We lift up to God our personal and parish needs, as we search for a new Rector.

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If you have the BCP, turn to page 137.

#### Lucia Fest 2022

Saturday, December 10 & Sunday, December 11, shows at 2:00, 3:30, 5:00 Tickets are now on sale on our website for this year's Lucia Fest. St. Eric's Fair with Swedish imports and treats will follow each show.

## O Brother, Where Art Thou? Tribute

Friday, December 16 & Saturday, December 17 at 8:00 in the Sanctuary Sexton Sideshow is bringing back their wildly popular tribute to *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* Doors open at 7:00, show begins at 8:00. Tickets will go on sale December 5<sup>th</sup>.

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