

First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025 9:30AM



Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church

*As a community called by Christ,
we live our faith by loving and serving all creation*

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Prelude
Welcome

Please stand as you are able

GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Invocation

In the name of the ☩ triune God in whose presence we wait,
the Holy Parent, fulfilling the promise,
the Holy Child, waiting to be born,
the Holy Spirit, illumining the way.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

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Advent Candle Lighting

In this holy season of Advent, we wait for the coming of Christ. We wait for light in our darkness, for peace in our weariness, for hope in our waiting.

We await the coming of the Lord, whose arrival is sure and whose promise is true.

Jesus tells us to "keep awake," not in fear, but in faith, watching for the signs of God's kingdom breaking into our world. Even in the rush of our holiday plans and preparation, Christ comes quietly, faithfully, and lovingly.

Christ comes to bring hope to our anxious hearts and to a waiting world.

(The first candle is lit.)

We light this candle as a sign of our hope in Jesus Christ, the One who comes to make all things new.

Come, Lord Jesus, our hope and our salvation. Amen.

Blessing Response

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel v. 1"

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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

. . . one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

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The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Reading

Romans 13:11-14

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The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Gospel

The holy gospel according to Matthew, chapter 24.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 24:36-44

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Response to Gospel

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Pr Wade Crevier

Silence for Meditation *We pause in contemplation of God's word, preparing to respond with song.*

Please stand as you are able

Message Response

"My Lord, What a Morning"

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Nicene Creed

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**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

Petition Response: **Your mercy is great.**

. . . in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL *God feeds us with the presence of Christ.*

Offerings Place offerings in the plate at the sanctuary entrance, mail to the church, or give through our website or Tithe.ly App. Thanks you for your financial support of our ministry.

Presentation of Gifts

Come Now, O Prince of Peace vs. 1, 2

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Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Come now, O God of love, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Offering Prayer

Nourishing God,

you are water in the wilderness and streams in the desert.

Through this meal, satisfy our parched places,

that we may rejoice and be for the world

signs of your kingdom come.

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.

. . .and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

Words of Promise

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Please be seated

Communion *All are welcome at God's table. Communion is by intinction. You will receive the wafer and then dip it into the wine. Gluten-Free wafers are available by request.*

Communion Hymns

"Savior of the Nations, Come"

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"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

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"Let Us Break Bread Together"

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Please stand as you are able

Post Communion Prayer

. . .in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Bell Toll

Sending Hymn

"The King Shall Come"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.

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Worship Leaders

Tom & Linda Medine— Ushers/Greeters

Jameson Dredske & Jettie Morelock — Acolytes

Linda Medine — Reader

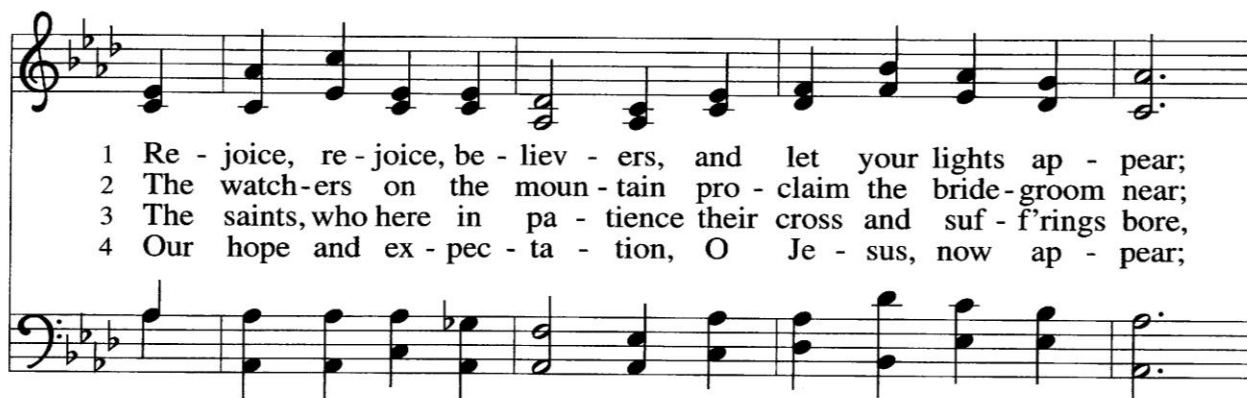
Steve Mentele—Choir Director

Robin Hoefer — Pianist

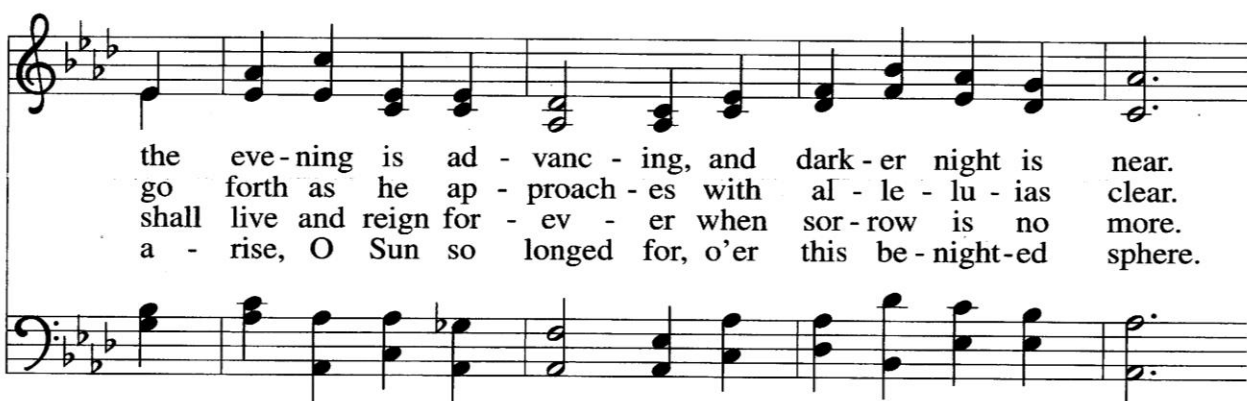
Wade Crevier — Pastor

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

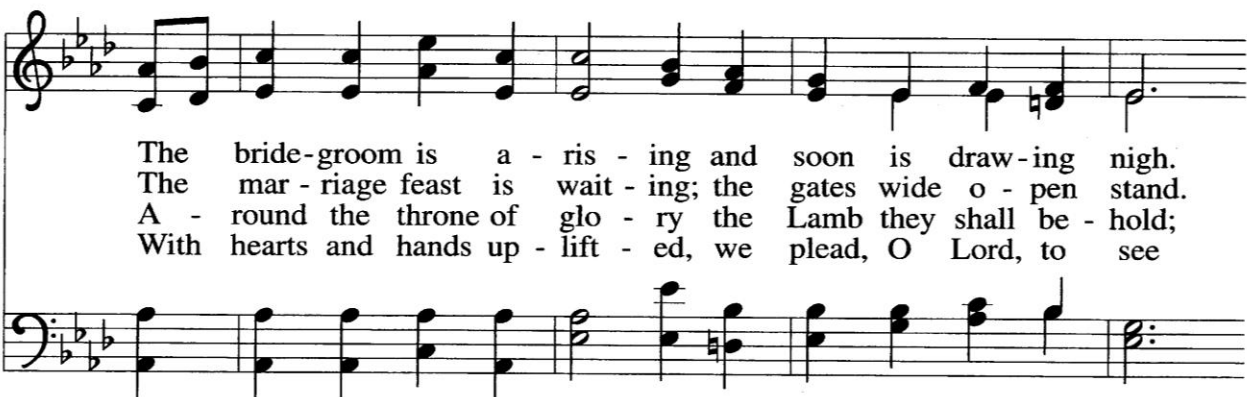
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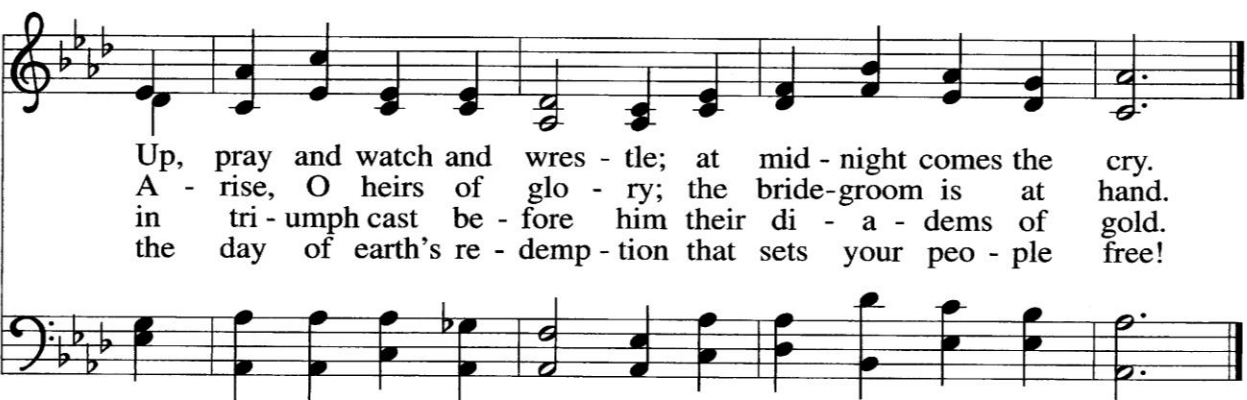
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ings bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



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!

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



- 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2 O come, O Wis - dom from on high, em - brac - ing all things
 3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on
 4 O come, O Branch of Jes - se, free your own from Sa - tan's



- Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh: in strength and beau - ty come and stay;
 Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law
 tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your peo - ple save,



- un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 teach us your will and guide our way. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
 in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



- Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

- 5 O come, O Key of David, come,
 and open wide our heav'nly home;
 make safe the way that leads on high,
 and close the path to misery.

Refrain

- 7 O come, O King of nations, come,
 O Cornerstone that binds in one:
 refresh the hearts that long for you;
 restore the broken, make us new.

Refrain

- 6 O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;
 O Sun of justice, now draw near
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
 and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

- 8 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
 and ransom captive Israel,
 that mourns in lonely exile here
 until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

One stanza of this paraphrase of the great O Antiphons may be sung on each of the last days of Advent, as follows:

Dec. 17: O Wisdom (2)

Dec. 18: O Lord of might (3)

Dec. 19: O Branch of Jesse (4)

Dec. 20: O Key of David (5)

Dec. 21: O Dayspring (6)

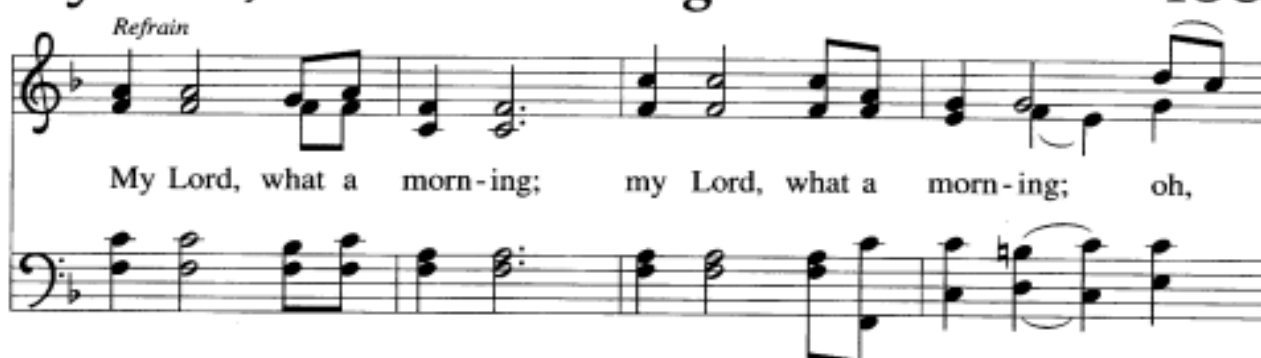
Dec. 22: O King of nations (7)

Dec. 23: O Emmanuel (8)

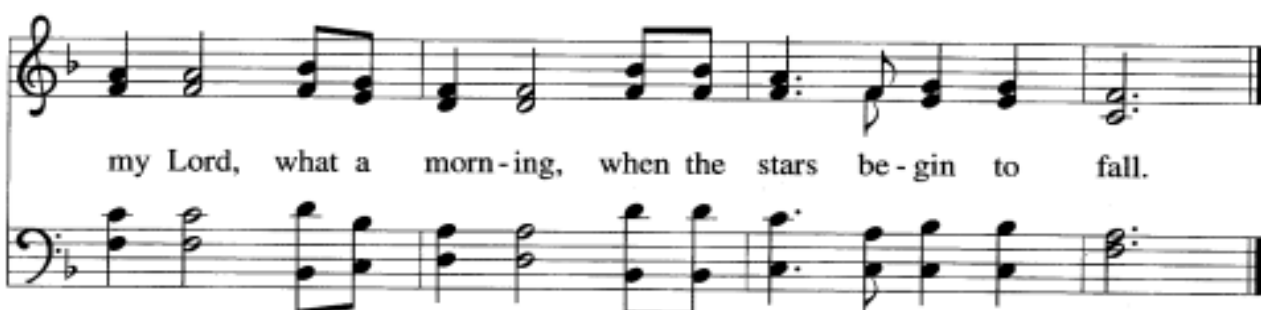
My Lord, What a Morning

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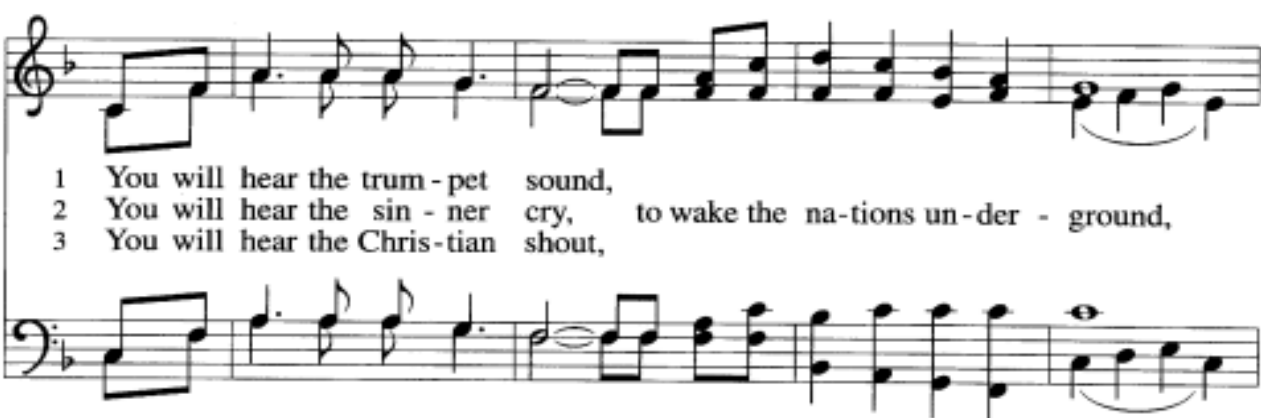
Refrain



My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

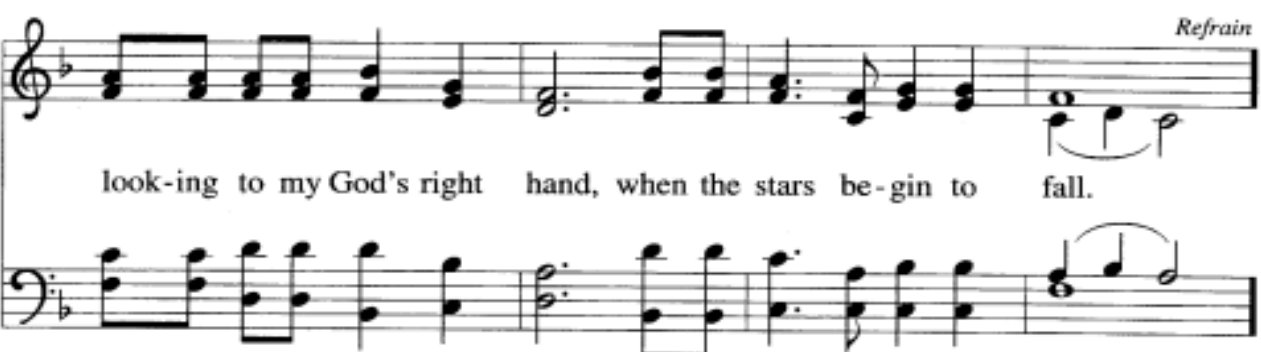


my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.



1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain

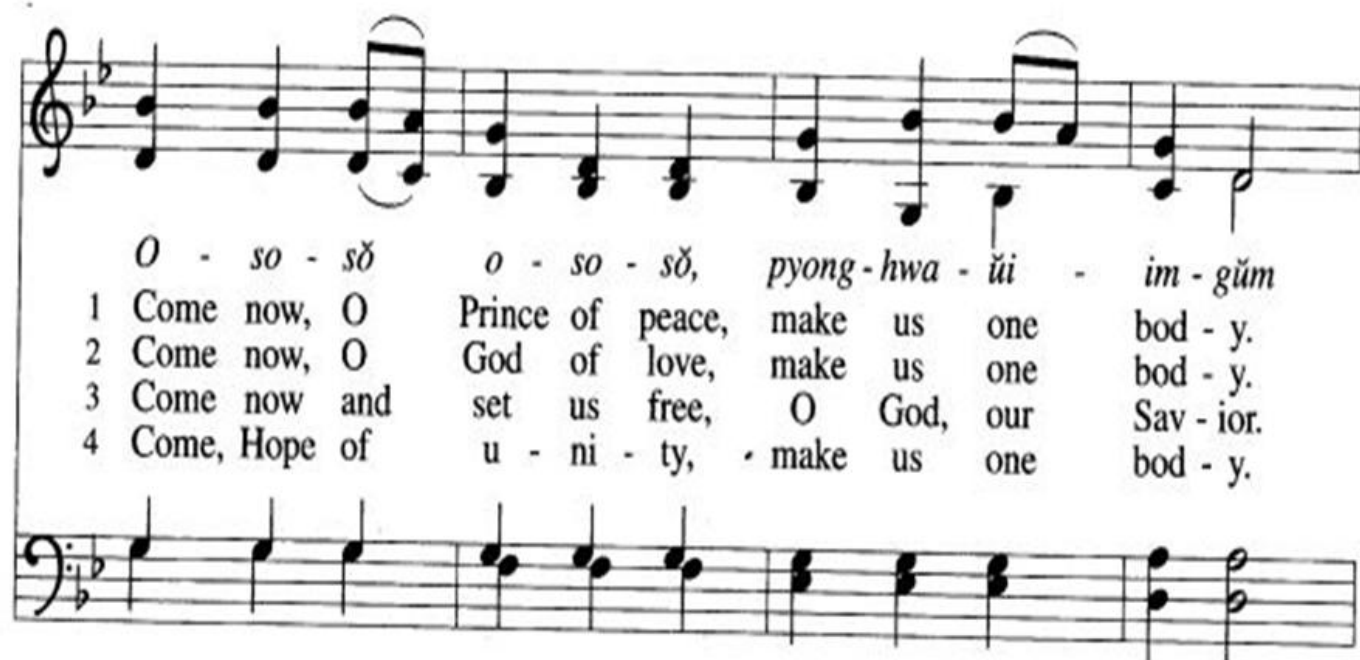


look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Come Now, O Prince of Peace

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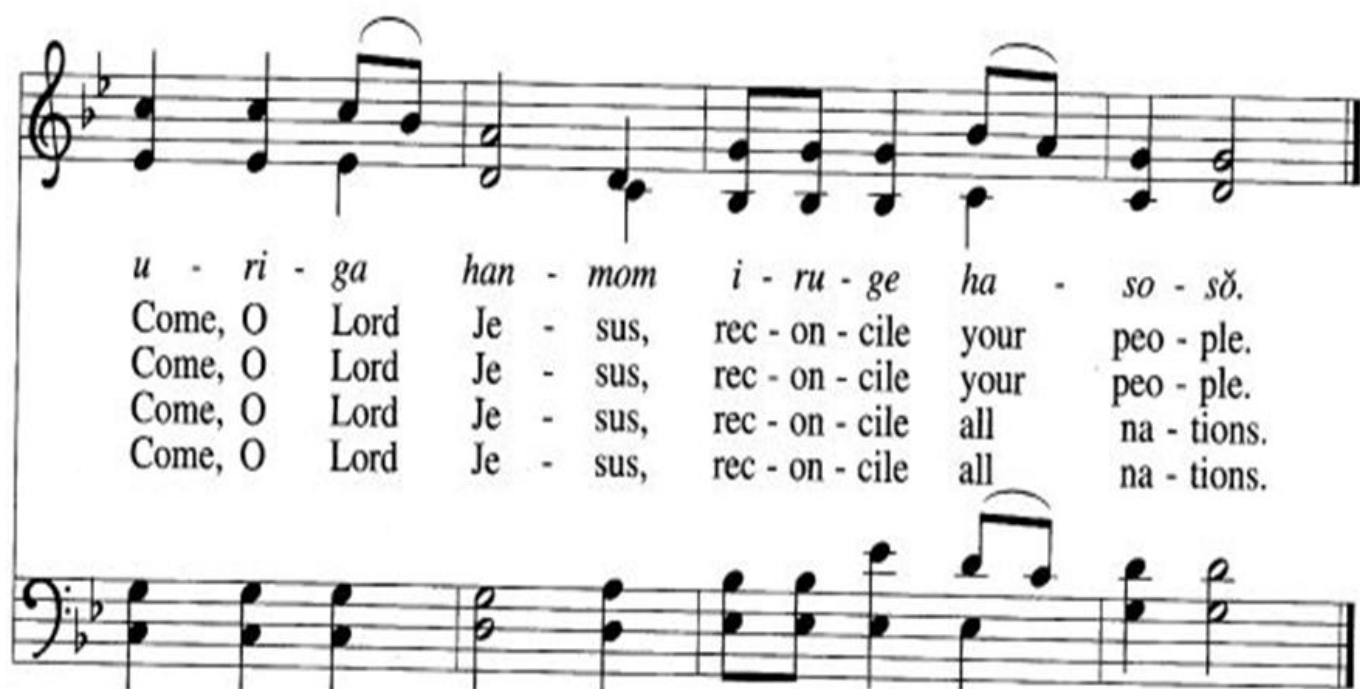
O - so - sŏ o - so - sŏ, pyong - hwa - ŭi - im - gŭm

1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.

2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.

3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.

4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.



u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sŏ.

Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.

Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.

Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

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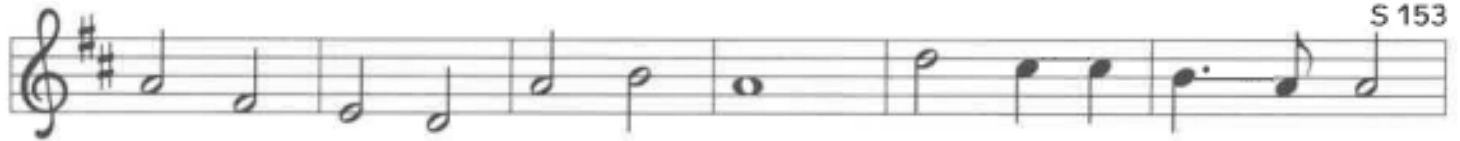
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



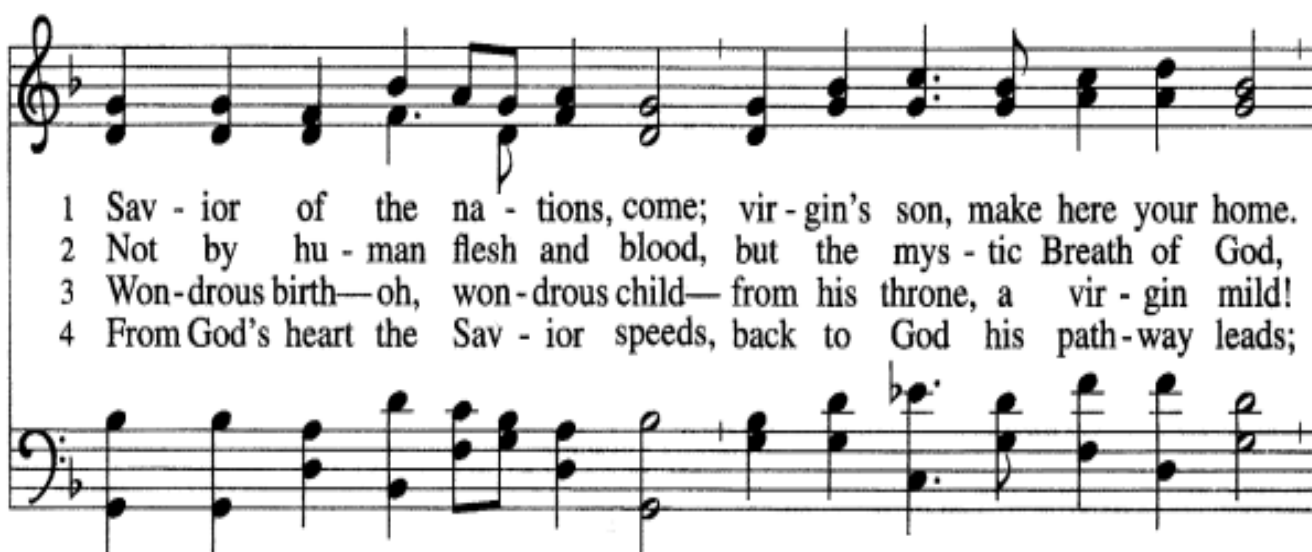
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



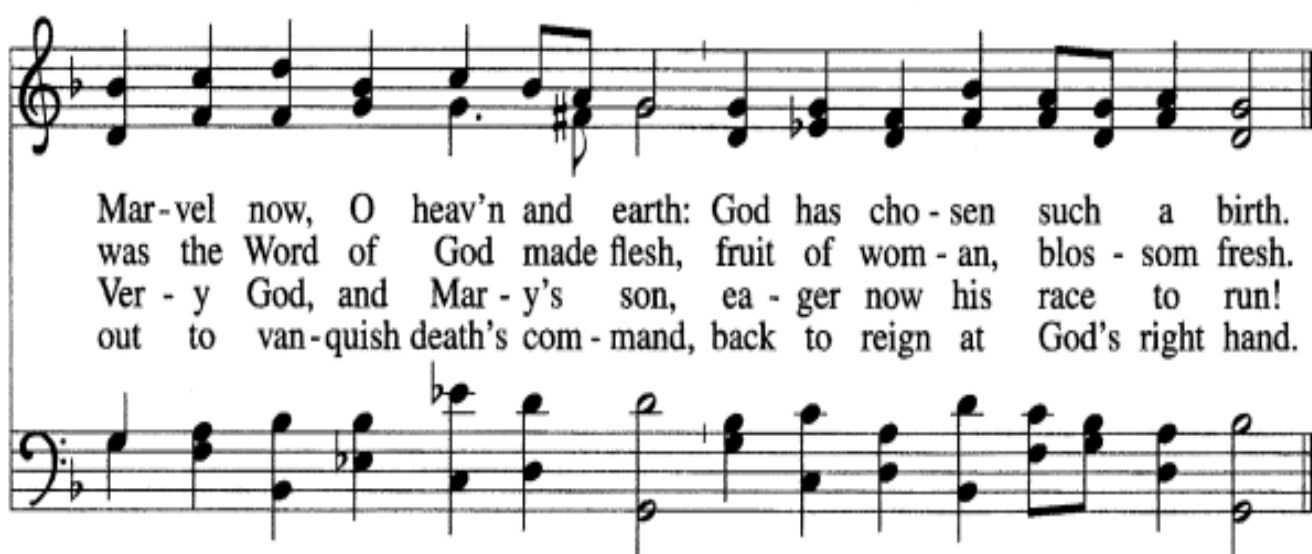
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Savior of the Nations, Come

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1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; vir - gin's son, make here your home.
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, but the mys - tic Breath of God,
 3 Won - drous birth—oh, won - drous child—from his throne, a vir - gin mild!
 4 From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, back to God his path - way leads;



Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth: God has cho - sen such a birth.
 was the Word of God made flesh, fruit of wom - an, blos - som fresh.
 Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
 out to van - quish death's com - mand, back to reign at God's right hand.

5 Now your manger, shining bright,
 hallows night with newborn light.
 Night cannot this light subdue;
 let our faith shine ever new.

6 Praise we sing to Christ the Lord,
 virgin's son, incarnate Word!
 To the holy Trinity
 praise we sing eternally!

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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1 Come, thou long-ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo-ple free;
2 Born thy peo-ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king;



from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra-cious king-dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir-it rule in all our hearts a - lone;



dear de - sire of ev-'ry na - tion, joy of ev-'ry long-ing heart.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer-it raise us to thy glo-rious throne.

Let Us Break Bread Together

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1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

The King Shall Come

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- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um-phant breaks,
- 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, to bear and fight and die,
- 3 Oh, bright-er than the ris - ing morn when Christ, vic - to - rious, rose
- 4 Oh, bright-er than that glo - rious morn shall dawn up - on our race
- 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau - ty brings.



when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes,
 but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.
 and left the lone-some place of death, de - spite the rage of foes.
 the day when Christ in splen-dor comes, and we shall see his face.
 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: come quick - ly, King of kings.



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CONSOLATION

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Announcements for November 30, 2025

Welcome! We are happy you are here today!

- **Families:** It is our hope that you will find a comfortable way to worship at JP. There are activity bags in the Narthex for young children to use during worship. There is also a large pew area, "Prayground", on the righthand side of the Sanctuary, near the pulpit, that is available for families to use.
- **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns** are available in the narthex in a red binder. Ask the ushers!
- **Visitors: Sign the Visitor's Book** and pick up a visitor's bag located on the table in the Connecting Room.

Keep in prayer: June Bates, Mary Carlson, Judy Clark (sister-in-law of Bill), Dean Erickson (Brett's dad), Barb Grenawalt, Lois Keller, Leandra Miller (Ginny's friend), Brad Pfaff (son-in-law of Mary Jane), Pat Rossing (Brett's aunt), Emma Schutt (Rose's niece), Don Seeger, Ron Torkilson, Lynn Tracy, Mary Jane Tracy, Susan (Svenson) Witte. **Please contact the office with any changes in requests.**

Quilting Fun-draiser-Congratulations Lucy Dack, Carol Hansen and Kathy Martin for having your names drawn. Thank you to those that voted and donated. Estimated donations of \$200 dollars.

JP will have a table at **Clinton's Winter Wonderland**, December 5, 4-6:00. Location to be assigned that afternoon. Stop by, say hi and pick up some goodies. If you play an instrument or sing, stop by to perform a few Christmas songs to help everyone get in the spirit of the holidays. Let Kris Sanderson know if you have any questions.

Clinton Community Outreach Food Pantry Holiday Program. We have been asked to provide spaghetti noodles and sauce. We are still in need of about 20 of each. The last day to bring donations is December 7.

Pastor Wade will be installed at Jefferson Prairie during worship on Sunday, December 7th at 9:30am. Pastor Peter Beeson from the SCSW Synod will be here. Please watch for more information about the brunch being planned. Amy and Brandi have a sign-up for contributions.

Christmas Poinsettia Order Forms are in the Narthex. Payment/orders are due December 7th.

Veteran Grave Wreaths: Wreaths Across America is at JP on December 13th. Flyers are posted. Please contact Ginny with questions. There are still plenty of wreaths available to purchase. Thank you, Lindsey Olson and family, for coordinating refreshments for after the ceremony. Please contact Lindsey if you'd like to help.

"FALALALALA - Join us for Christmas Caroling to some of our JP friends! Wednesday, December 17 (6:30PM/following the neighborhood dinner) and Sunday, December 21 (11AM/following worship). For the sake of planning and coordinating - if you will join us, please let Ginny know.

The December Neighborhood Dinner will be on Wednesday, December 17 - 5:30-6:30PM. The menu will feature soups, salads, and breads and there will be cookies for decorating. If you're interested in helping host, please see the signup sheet in the connecting room. Hope you can join us!

Parsonage Update: Council discussed and decided that a Planning Team, made up of members of Jefferson Prairie, would be most appropriate for mapping out the future of the parsonage. Are you interested in gathering ideas and information? Do you have suggestions? Contact Terry Pearson to sign-up for the Parsonage Planning.

Sharing Your Offering: Thank you for your generosity that supports God's ministry here at Jefferson Prairie and our mission partners. There are multiple options for sharing your offering.

- **Offering plates** are located on stands by the entrance to the sanctuary.
- **Give online** at www.jplchurch.org. Click on the GIVE tab at the top to be directed to Tithe.ly.
- **Mail** your check to church: 23184 Bergen Rd. Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Online worship available at: <https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/> and www.jplchurch.org homepage. Click on Sermons on the website to watch previous worship services. The bulletin is under Sermon Notes.

NOTE: This worship service is being livestreamed.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, November 30	8:15am	Choir
	9:30 am	Worship followed by Fellowship Youth-Music & Advent Project
Tuesday, December 2	9:00 am	Quilting
Wednesday, December 3	6:30pm	Confirmation
	6:45 pm	Prayer Group on FB
Friday, December 5	3:00pm	Bell Choir
	4:00pm-6:00pm	Stop by the JP Booth @ Clinton's Winter Wonderland
Sunday, December 7	8:15 am	Choir
	9:30 am	Worship w/Installation followed by Fellowship Brunch Youth-Music