

EVENING WORSHIP ~ December 16, 2018 ~ 4:30 p.m.

* = please stand if you are able ~all songs will be on screens unless otherwise indicated

LUYH = "Lift Up Your Hearts" Red Hymnal · PFAS = "Psalms for All Seasons" Blue Hymnal

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: Christmas Carols

Welcome

*Hymn of Preparation: **LUYH #76:1,3 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"**

HIS COMING FORETOLD

Isaiah 7:14

*Congregational Hymn: **LUYH #61:1,4 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"**

*Call to Worship and Salutation

Pastor: For unto us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders;

People: and He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Pastor: Let us worship and glorify the Living Word – who created the entire universe by his word.

People: Let us worship and glorify Emmanuel – who took on flesh to be "God with us."

Pastor: Let us worship and glorify our Redeemer – who took our sins upon Himself and dies for our atonement.

People: Let us worship and glorify the Prince of Peace – who reigns on high and in our hearts. Let us all worship and glorify Jesus Christ – the King of kings and the Lord of lords.

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you.

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen!

Micah 5:2

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Children's Choir)

Jeremiah 23:5

"Make Way" (Children's Choir)

"Soon and Very Soon" (Children's Choir)

"Joy to the World" (Children's Choir)

Malachi 3:1

LUYH #56:1-4 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Luke 1:17

LUYH #60:1-4 "Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes" (vs. 1: All; vs. 2: Women; vs. 3: Men; vs. 4: All)

HIS COMING FULFILLED

Luke 2:1-18

"Light of the Stable" (Youth Choir)

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (vs. 1: Youth Choir; vs. 2 & 3: All)

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10 (Old Testament p. 304)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *HANNAH'S CHRISTMAS PRAYER*

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response: **LUYH #69:1,2 "My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout"**

Prayers of the People

Offertory: **"Peace, Peace/Silent Night"** (congregation joins in singing of *Silent Night*)

Offering: Troy Bierma

(Children are invited to bring their gifts to the front of church.)

HIS PROMISE TO COME AGAIN

Acts 1:11

Philippians 3:20

*Parting Blessing

*Congregational Hymn: **LUYH #99 “Jesus, Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child”**

(1st time: Youth choir; 2nd time: All)

*Moment of Meditation

*Postlude: *“Angels From the Realms of Glory”*

Worship Leader: Dr. Jason Lief • Organist: Carla Nibbelink • Pianist: Kim Vander Berg •
Prelude Pianists: Dylan Koelewyn, Hailey Koelewyn, Brenna Van Roekel, Kaden Klein, Avery Feenstra,
Annabelle Koele, Delilah Cosgrove, Elsie Vander Tuin •
Children’s Choir directed by Sarah Sjoerdsma • Youth Choir directed by Tammy Lief •
Accompanists: Emily Sybesma, Kelli Van Roekel • Prayer Leader: Derick Roos •
Instrumentalists/Vocalists: Kirsten Buiters, Naomi De Stigter, Morgan Feenstra, Alyssa Koelewyn,
Jason, Christian & Naomi Lief, Emily & Kaeley Meyer, Gabrielle Miedema, Shay Mulenburg,
Katy & Sarah Timmer, Cheney Vander Berg, Kryn & Ross Vander Berg •
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