# Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 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**

"Hark, the Glad Sound!"

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#### **Advent Candle Lighting**

In the wilderness, John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord, calling all to repentance and renewal.

We, too, prepare the way, clearing a place in our hearts for Christ's peace to dwell.

As we prepare our homes and our hearts this season, we remember that true peace is not found in perfection, but in the presence of God among us.

Christ is our peace, reconciling us to God and to one another.

(The second candle is lit.)

We light these candles as signs of hope and peace, trusting that God's kingdom draws near.

Come, Lord Jesus, bring peace to our hearts and to your world. Amen.

#### Blessing Response

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel v. 2"

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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 11:1-10 page 627

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

**Reading Romans 15:4-13** page 1035

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem When Will the Little King Come Choir

#### Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

#### Gospel

The holy gospel according to Matthew, chapter 3.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 3:1-12

page 878

#### **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** 

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

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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.

#### Installation of Pastor Wade Crevier

**Presentation:** Pastor Beeson and Terry Pearson, Council President

Address and Questions: ...

People of God, will you receive Wade as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Wade, the office of Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

#### **Blessing**

...to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

#### Welcome

You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

Pastor Wade, we welcome you and look forward to doing God's will along side you at Jefferson Prairie.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

Petition Response: Your mercy is great.

. . . through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

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 p. 153

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.

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 "All Earth is Hopeful" #266
"In the Singing" #466
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #631

Please stand as you are able

#### **Post Communion Blessing**

...keep you in his grace.

Amen.

#### **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 "Prepare the Royal Highway" #264

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.

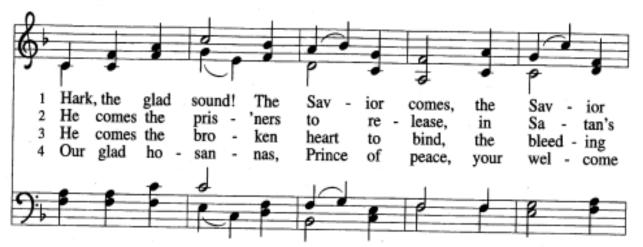
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#### **Worship Leaders**

Terry & Loretta Williams— Ushers/Greeters
Hattie Erickson — Acolyte
Gary & Teresa Sommers—Communion Assistants
Christi Morelock — Reader
Steve Mentele—Choir Director
Robin Hoefer — Pianist
Peter Beeson-SCSW Associate to the Bishop for Generosity—Pastor
Wade Crevier — Pastor

# Hark, the Glad Sound!

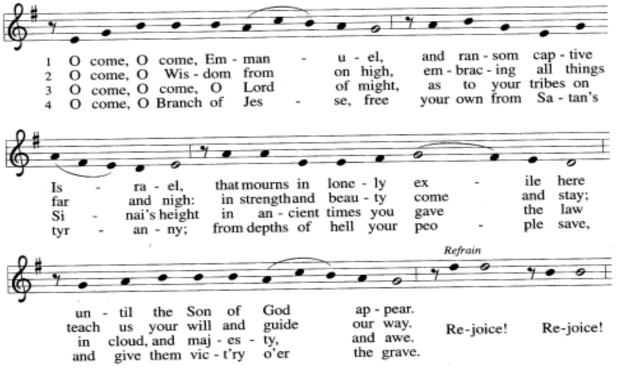


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# O Come, O Come, Emmanuel





- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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)

# On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

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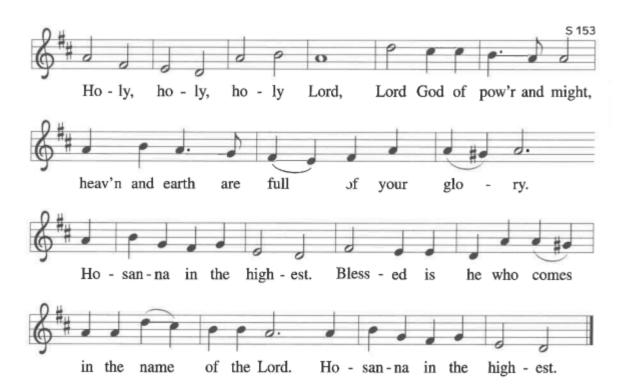
# Come Now, O Prince of Peace

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Ososŏ, ososŏ



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# All Earth Is Hopeful

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Toda la tierra



To - da la tie-rra

- 1 All earth is hope ful,
- 2 Peo ple of Is rael,
- 3 Moun tains and val leys
- 4 We first saw Je sus
- es pe ra al Sal va dor
- the Sav ior comes at last!
- you heard the proph-et tell:
- will have to be pre-pared;
  - a ba by in a crib.



y\_el sur - co\_a - bier - to,

Fur - rows lie o - pen

"A vir - gin moth - er

new high - ways o - pened,

This same Lord Je - sus

ob - ra del Se - ñor; la elesGod's cre - a - tive task: for this, the bear Em-man - u - el"; will she con pro - to - cols de - clared. new Al - most to - day has come to live in our



mun - do que lu - cha la - bor of peo - ple ceived him, "God with us," here! God is near - ing, world; he is pres - ent,

por li - ber - tad. re who strug - gle to see how broth - er, whose birth our re beau - ty in and grace! All in neigh - bors we see our



cla - ma jus - ti - cia y bus - ca la ver-dad.

God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.

stores hope and cour-age to chil - dren of this earth.

clear ev - 'ry gate-way, in haste, come out in haste!

Je - sus is with us, and

ev-er sets us free.

dar-nos li-ber-tad.

# In the Singing



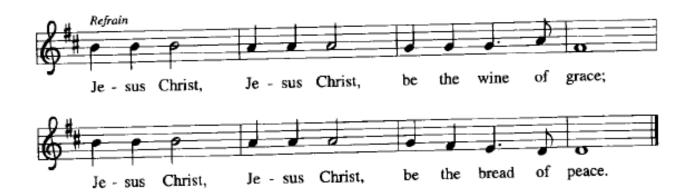
- 1 In the sing-ing, in the si-lence, in the hands ex-pec-tant, o-pen,
- 2 In the ques-tion, in the an-swer, in the mo-ment of ac cep-tance,



in the bless - ing, in the break-ing, in your pres-ence at this ta - ble, in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo-ple,

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931 Music: Carlton R. Young, b. 1926 Text and music © 1996 Hope Publishing Company BREAD OF PEACE LM and refrain

#### HOLY COMMUNION



### Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



### Prepare the Royal Highway



#### Announcements for December 7, 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), Jill Fiorenza (Jim Baker's Sister), Barb Grenawalt, David Hagemann, Lois Keller, Leandra Miller (Ginny's friend), Brad Pfaff (son-in-law of Mary Jane), the family of Donna Rindfleisch, 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.** 

Clinton Community Outreach Food Pantry Holiday Program. We have been asked to provide <u>spaghetti noodles</u> <u>and sauce</u>. The last day to bring donations is December 7.

**THANK YOU!:** Great thanks to everyone who contributed to the Thanksgiving Dinner! Whether through food, time, elbow grease, money, or prayers, your support was appreciated and allowed us to welcome over 60 people to dinner.

Christmas Poinsettia Order Forms are in the Narthex. Payment/orders are due TODAY!

**Veteran Grave Wreaths:** Wreaths Across America is at JP on December 13<sup>th</sup>. 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.

"FALALALA - 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: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/">https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/</a> and <a href="www.jplchurch.org">www.jplchurch.org</a> 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, December 7	8:15am	Choir
•	9:30 am	Worship w/Installation followed by Fellowship Brunch
		Youth-Music
Tuesday, December 9	9:00 am	Quilting
Wednesday, December 10	6:30pm	Confirmation
•	6:45 pm	Prayer Group on FB
Friday, December 12	3:00pm	Bell Choir
Saturday, December 13	10:30am	Cemetery WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
•		refreshments in Fellowship Hall after
Sunday December 14 CHDISTMAS SWEATER DAY with nicture		C CM/EATED DAY with picture
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	9:30 am	Worship with Baptism
		Youth-Music