



Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Advent Longings Fulfilled By the Lord

Choir and Band Concert



Preservice Music

Band

In Excelsis Deo
An Early English Christmas
Lullaby for Christmas
O Christmas Carols
Listen to the Season
A Christmas Classic



Gathering Rite

My Soul in Stillness Waits (CWS 703)

The congregation will sing the refrain. We will sing the verses as follows:

- v. 1: solo
- v. 2 women
- v. 3 men
- v. 4 all



Stand



M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.



CONFESSION OF SINS



M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.



M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.



C: refrain of 703(sung)

For you, O Lord, my soul in stillness waits, truly my hope is in you.



Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the burden of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of your birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you

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always; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) **Amen.**

Be Seated



THE WORD

First Lesson:

Isaiah 7:1-17

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 24 (p. 73 CW)

Second Lesson

Romans 1:1-7



Verse of the Day (sung)

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written they we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Stand

Gospel:

Matthew 1:18-25

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



Be Seated

Hymn of the Day:

The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came (CW 24)



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Part One: Advent Longings

Come As King!

Choir



Come, O come, holy One, come, descend on wings of love.
Come and set all Your captive people free.
Come as warmth, come as light breaking through the clouds of night.
Come as truth, come as life, come as King!
Come with grace, come in peace, come to save and to redeem.
Come in power, come in splendor, come in glory, come as King!



As a child, as a lamb, come to bless our land.
Come with healing in Your mighty wing.
Come as brother and friend. Come, the poorest to defend.
Come as Savior and Lord, come as King!
Come with grace, come in peace, come to save and to redeem.
Come in power, come in splendor, come in glory, come as King!





This Child, Emmanuel

Choir

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



O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.

Come, Joy of our longing hearts, your peace and hope and love impart.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!



O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife and quarrels cease, and fill the world with heaven's peace.

Come, Joy of our longing hearts, your peace and hope and love impart.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!



Rejoice, Emmanuel! Rejoice!

Part Two: **Fulfilled By The Lord**

Glory To God The Angels Sing

Choir



Low in a humble manger, little Lord Jesus lay,
Watched by the virgin mother, there on a bed of hay;
Keeping her loving vigil, far from the worldly throngs,
When thru the night came ringing glorious angel songs.



Little the loving mother, dreamed of its meaning then,
How He should die on Calv'ry, die for the sins of men;
Down thru the weary ages, out from that manger bed,
Streams all the light of heaven, soon o'er the world to spread.



Glory to God, the angels sing,
Praises to Christ, the newborn King,
Peace be on earth, goodwill to men,
Hear we the angels sing again,
Glory to God, the angels sing;
Praises to Christ, the newborn King,
Peace be on earth, goodwill to men, goodwill to men.



Hallelujah Chorus, From "The Messiah"

Choir and Band



Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of the world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.
And he shall reign forever and ever.
Forever and ever, Hallelujah!
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords,
And he shall reign forever and ever.
King of Kings, forever and ever.
And Lords of Lords, Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah!!





Silent Night

Choir

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.



Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
Alles schläft, einsam wacht
nur das traute, hoch heilige Paar.
Holder Knabe mit lockigem Haar,
Schlaf im himmlischer Ruh', Schlaf im himmlischer Ruh'.



Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.



Silent night, holly night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.



How Great Our Joy

Choir

While by the sheep we watched at night,
glad tidings brought an angel bright.



Refrain: How great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!



There shall be born, so he did say,
in Bethlehem a Child today.



Refrain

There shall the Child lie in a stall,
this Child who shall redeem us all.



Refrain

Offering



Musical Offering

Come to the Manger Band

Prayer of the Church

O Antiphons

The Great O Antiphons of Advent have been cherished for centuries by Christian worshipers. Each one consists of a title given to Christ in the Old Testament and a petition asking him to come and fulfill the Scriptural promise or prophecy.

The congregation will sing the responses.

M: Let us pray



Emmanuel, our king and our Lord, the anointed of the nations and their Savior, Come and save us, O Lord our God.

**C: (sung) Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



M: O Wisdom, proceeding from the mouth of the most High, pervading and permeating all creation, mightily order all things; come and teach us the way of prudence.

**C: (sung) Oh, come, our wisdom from on high,
Who ordered all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



M: O Adonai and ruler of the house of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the burning bush and gave him the Law on Sinai; come with an outstretched arm and redeem us.

**C: (sung) Oh, come, oh, come, our Lord of might,
Who to your tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times gave holy law,
In cloud and majesty and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



M: O root of Jesse, standing as an ensign before the peoples, before whom all kings are mute, to whom the nations will do homage; come quickly to deliver us.

**C: (sung) Oh, come, o rod of Jesse's stem.
From every foe deliver them
That trust your mighty pow'r to save:
Bring them in victory through the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



M: O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one can close, you close and no one can open; come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness and the shadow of death.

**C: (sung) Oh, 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.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



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M: O Dayspring, splendor of light everlasting, come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

C: (sung) **Oh, come, our Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by your drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



M: O King of the nations, the ruler they long for, the cornerstone for uniting all people, come and save us all, whom you formed out of clay.

C: (sung) **Oh, come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind;
Oh, bid our sad divisions cease
And be yourself the king of Peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel!**



Stand

The Lord's Prayer



The Blessing

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: (sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**



Be Seated

Closing Hymn:

Rise, Arise (CW 30)



Postlude

Christmas Angels

Band

Sunday	7:00 p.m. Book Study, church	Friday	8:00 p.m. Choir
Monday	7:00 p.m. Youth Group	Friday	9:00 a.m. Children's Christmas Program
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. Bread for Life	Tuesday	7:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program
Wednesday	5:00 p.m. Confirmation	Wednesday	11:00 p.m. Candlelight Worship
	5:00 p.m. Bible History grades 4-5	Saturday	9:00 p.m. Festival Worship, communion
	5:30 p.m. Bible History grades 1-3	Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship, communion



Welcome Guests and Visitors! May the Lord bless you and all of us as we worship this morning. Everyone is invited to the basement for refreshments after worship.

Thank You to the members of the choir and the band for serving the Lord and his people with your talents this morning! Thank you to Rick Muchka for leading worship. Thank you to Beverly Leiterman, our pianist. Thanks to our choir and band director, Brenda Kuchenbecker, for your service to the Lord. Thank you one and all!



Pastor Ott will return this evening. Monday morning & Tuesday afternoon Bible class will not meet this week.

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