

Midweek Advent Week 1  
*The Foretaste of Fashion*



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Morrison Zion Lutheran Church



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Our mission is to  
**Glorify God**  
as we  
**Gather**  
around the Gospel  
to help people  
**Grow**  
in the Gospel  
and  
**Go**  
with the Gospel

**Welcome!** We thank  
God that you have  
joined us at worship  
today.

Restrooms are  
located in the  
basement. Hearing  
loop headphones and  
Large Print Hymnals  
are available from an  
usher.

If your children  
need to leave worship,  
please take them to  
the basement. A TV  
broadcasts the service  
in the basement.

Today we gather  
together in the  
presence of God. He is  
present among us in a  
special way through  
his Word and  
Sacrament. We  
acknowledge our sin  
and rejoice in the  
good news of  
forgiveness through  
the life and death of  
Christ. This is the  
focus of our worship.

**Advent Midweek 1**

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**The Clothing of the King – The Foretaste of Fashion**

This midweek Advent Sermon Series tells the stories of the clothing of the King. Stories that describe a wardrobe at once splendid and sin-stained, with fabrics that reveal who we are and cover us all the same. The clothing of the King is tattered and worn and glorious in its incorruptibility. It isn't ours, yet he gives it to us freely.

**Gathering Rite**

*My Soul in Stillness Waits* CWS 703

*Stand*



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.



1 O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of glo - ry,



your ra-diance shines in all who look to you; come, light the



hearts of all in dark and shad-ow.

**M:** We wait in hope for the LORD ; he is our help and our shield.

**C:** **In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.**

**M:** May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you

(Ps 33:20-23)



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.

**M:** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;

**C:** **according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions**

**M:** Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

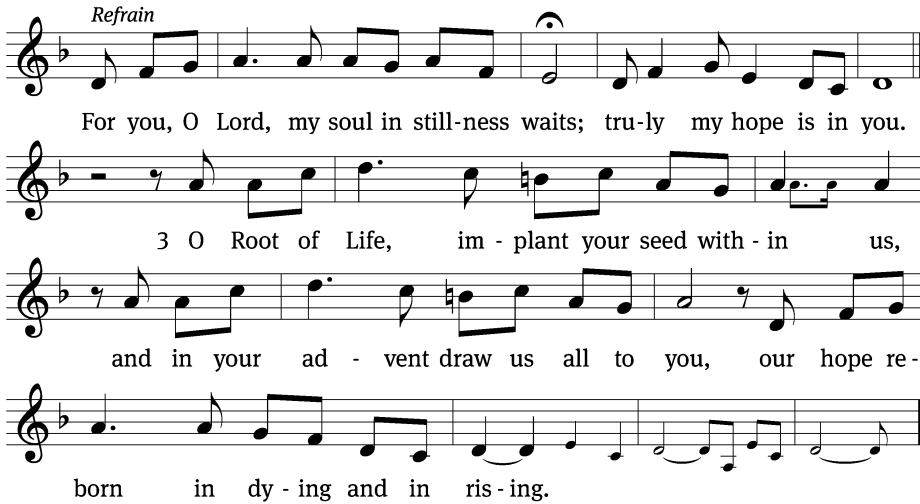
(Ps 51:1-2; 32:1)

M: If you, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.**

M: I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope. (Ps 130:3-5)

*Refrain*



M: I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

C: **Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.**

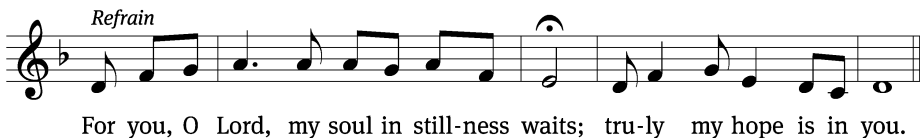
M: He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins. (Ps 130:6-8)

M: My heart is not proud, LORD, my eyes are not haughty; I do not concern myself with great matters or things too wonderful for me

C: **But I have calmed and quieted myself, I am like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child I am content.**

M: Israel, put your hope in the LORD both now and forevermore. (Ps 131)

*Refrain*



## Lighting of the Advent Candle

M: We light one Advent candle, remembering Jesus who is coming again. He will come to gather his people from everywhere, both the living and the dead.

C: **We remember Jesus who will come at the end of time. None of us knows what day that will be.**



# Hymn

*When All the World Was Cursed* CW 20:1,3



1 When all the world was cursed by Mo - ses' con - dem - na - tion,  
3 Be - hold the Lamb of God, who bears the world's trans - gres - sion,



Saint John the Bap - tist came with words of con - so - la - tion.  
whose sac - ri - fice re - moves the dev - il's dread op - pres - sion.



With true fore - run - ner's zeal the great - er one he named,  
Be - hold the Lamb of God, who takes a - way our sin,



and him, as yet un - known, as Sav - ior he pro - claimed.  
who for our peace and joy will full a - tone - ment win.

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## Devotion:

## The Foretaste of Fashion

Genesis 3:14-21

<sup>13</sup> Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup> So the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this,

"Cursed are you above all livestock

and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly

and you will eat dust

all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup> And I will put enmity

between you and the woman,

and between your offspring and hers;

he will crush your head,

and you will strike his heel."

<sup>16</sup> To the woman he said,

"I will make your pains in childbearing very severe;

with painful labor you will give birth to children.

Your desire will be for your husband,

and he will rule over you."

<sup>17</sup> To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat from it,'

"Cursed is the ground because of you;

through painful toil you will eat food from it

all the days of your life.

<sup>18</sup> It will produce thorns and thistles for you,

and you will eat the plants of the field.

<sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your brow

you will eat your food

until you return to the ground,

since from it you were taken;

for dust you are

and to dust you will return."

<sup>20</sup> Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.

<sup>21</sup> The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. (NIV)

## Offering

Please sign the friendship register located in your pew.

Stand

Guests please don't feel a necessity to give an offering today. "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

## Prayer

M: Praise and thanks are yours, Lord Jesus. Our humble hearts acknowledge that we could not save ourselves. But you have battled sin, death, and the forces of hell for us. Glory be to your name forever and ever! Come, Lord Jesus, and take us to the glories of your eternal kingdom, where we will join the hosts of heaven in singing your praise: *“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”* (Rev. 5:12). Now hear each of our hearts as we pray...

### Luther’s Morning Prayer *(morning only)*

*spoken in unison*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

### Luther’s Evening Prayer *(night only)*

*spoken in unison*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

## Blessing

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

(2 Corinthians 13:14)

**C: Amen.**

*Be seated*

# Hymn

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* CW<sup>21</sup> 708



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to  
2 Hith - er - to thy love has blessed me, thou hast drawn me  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -



sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
to this place; and I know thy hand will lead me  
strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,



call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious  
safe - ly home by thy good grace. Je - sus sought me when a  
bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee: prone to wan - der, Lord, I



son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise his  
stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God; he, to  
feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my



name, I'm fixed up - on it, name of God's re - deem - ing love.  
res - cue me from dan - ger, bought me with his pre - cious blood.  
heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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