

# *House of Prayer Lutheran Church*



*"... my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples." Is. 56: 7*

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**Welcome to Worship!**  
**We are a “Church Together”**

God calls us to be a church together as we find ourselves physically separated, but spiritually united as one community of God. Whether you are a visitor or longtime member, you are welcome to join us in worshipping Jesus Christ. You might do this by:

- Using this bulletin as a devotional.
- Watch and follow the worship video on our website at [www.hoplutheran.com](http://www.hoplutheran.com).

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Office phones (760-745-3738) will be monitored during office hours and messages responded to in a reasonable manner. For the safety of everyone during this pandemic, we have been told to not have in-person meetings or visits. If you have a pastoral concern, call the office and leave a message to set up a time to converse with the pastor.



# **Sunday, December 6, 2020**

## **Second Sunday of Advent**

**PRELUDE** Improvisation on “VENI EMMANUEL”

**Henry Doktorski**

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NEWS FROM THE CALL COMMITTEE**

**Dan Engelbrecht**

### **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

**Reader One:** Our lists are long, even in this strange mess where we live these days. And we want to do it right, we want to be safe, but we want to be able to enjoy the season. We’ve got work to do to put right what has gone wrong, to heal what is broken, to mend the relationships, and to prepare for the company that will come.

**Reader Two:** Luke tells us that God’s favor came to a girl, an ordinary girl. It might have been you or your daughter; it might have been the girl down the street or your grandchild. But the messenger of God came and greeted her and said, “The Lord is with you.” What a gift and a promise: Emmanuel, God is with us.

**Reader One:** So, we light this candle as a sign of our faith that the God we worship is not far from us and that we can clear the way for that God to come and dwell with us. We light this candle in faith that God will be with us.

(candle is lit)

**Reader Two:** Come now, O God of love.

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**Come now, O God of love, make us one body.  
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.**

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Peace of the Lord be with you; **And also with you.**

# 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.

## **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**

Let us pray.....

**Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming strengthen us to serve you with purified lives; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **READING: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16**

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup> the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." <sup>3</sup> Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." <sup>4</sup> But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: <sup>5</sup> Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? <sup>6</sup> I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. <sup>7</sup> Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" <sup>8</sup> Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; <sup>9</sup> and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup> And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup> from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declare to you that the LORD will make you a house. <sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

The word of the Lord;

**Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm 85

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Lord, in your mer-cy hear my prayer; your good-ness nev - er fails.

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The Lord has long looked with favor upon the chosen land;  
To Jacob's heirs, the wealth of earth is lavished in their hand.  
The captive chains of servitude are loosed, the slaves are free;  
And through God's grace, the bonds of sin give way to liberty. **R**

Your steadfast love and faithful ways will meet us face to face;  
The arm of justice, mercy sways; the righteous, truth embrace.  
May wisdom dwell in human law, and justice, courts display;  
Let righteous ways precede your steps, and guide us on our way. **R**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (PAGE 188)

*Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-a. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.*

**GOSPEL: Luke 1:46-55**

The holy gospel according to St Luke;  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said: “My soul glorifies the Lord <sup>47</sup>and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, <sup>48</sup> for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, <sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name.

<sup>50</sup> His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup> He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. <sup>52</sup> He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.

<sup>53</sup> He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel remembering to be merciful <sup>55</sup> to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors.”

The gospel of the Lord;  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON: Rev. Karin Boye**

## The Magnificat from Holden Evening Prayer

*All:*

1., 3. My — soul pro - claims your  
2. You have cast the might - y

great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in  
down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum - ble of

you, You have looked with love on your  
heart, You have filled the hun - gry with

ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.  
won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.

Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,  
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,

strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more.  
strong is your jus - tice strong your love,

How you fa - vor the weak — and low - ly one,  
As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

hum - bling the proud of heart.  
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

**APOSTLES' CREED (PAGE 105)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

....Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER (PAGE 191)**

**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.**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

**Response: Amen**

**Vs. 1, 2**

ADVENT

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**All Earth Is Hopeful**

*Toda la tierra*



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



y el sur - co\_a - bier - to, la ob - ra del Se - ñor; es el  
 Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the  
 "A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -  
 new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most  
 This same Lord Je - sus to - day has come to live in our



mun - do que lu - cha por la li - ber - tad, re -  
 la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how  
 ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -  
 here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All  
 world; he is pres - ent, in neigh - bors we see our



cla - ma jus - ti - cia y bus - ca la ver - dad. dar - nos li - ber - tad.  
 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.

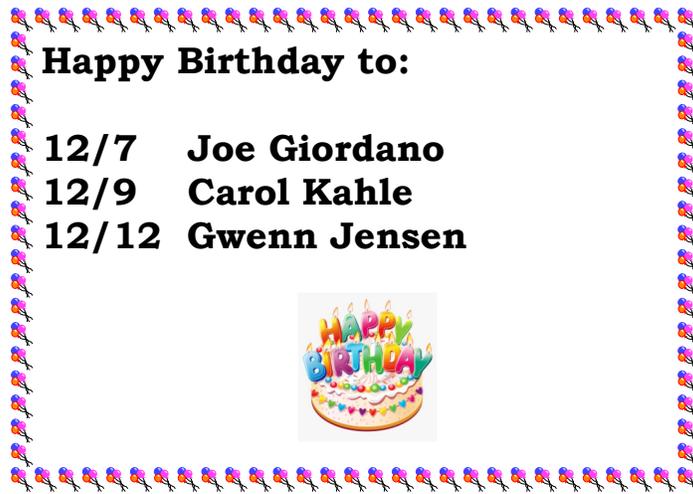
2 *Dice el profeta al pueblo de Israel:*  
*"De madre virgen ya viene Emmanuel,"*  
*será "Dios con nosotros," hermano será,*  
*con él la esperanza al mundo volverá.*

3 *Montes y valles habrá que preparar;*  
*nuevos caminos tenemos que trazar.*  
*Él está ya muy cerca, venidlo a encontrar,*  
*y todas las puertas abrid de par en par.*

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**



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**If you want your staff to know...**

There is a wonderful saying: "Our assumptions and the truth dine at totally separate tables!", meaning that most often our wants and likings determine our expectations and actions - and they are not necessarily connected with reality.

So if you are expecting the office or your pastor to know about something - please, call the office. Messages left on the office's answering machine are checked multiple times during the day! In case of an emergency you may call Pastor Karin directly: (c) 949-705-9966. Thank you for your ongoing support.



**Mission Statement**  
**As the body of the risen Christ, nurtured by**  
**Word and Sacrament,**  
**House of Prayer Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**is called to proclaim the creative and redemptive work of God,**  
**in lives of loving service to its fellowship,**  
**to North San Diego County and, in cooperation with others**  
**to the ends of the earth.**





