Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 19, 2021

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel LSB 357 vs 1-5

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 184

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 🕂 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Savior of the Nations Come LSB 332 vs 5 & 6

Service of the Word

Introit 1 Sam. 2:1b, 2, 5b-7; antiphon: Luke 1:46b-47

- P My soul magni- | fies the Lord,*
- **G** and my spirit rejoices in God my | Savior.
- P My mouth derides my enemies,*
- **G** because I rejoice in your sal- | vation.
- P There is none holy | like the LORD;*
- **G** there is none besides you; there is no rock | like our God.
- P The barren has borne seven,*
- **G** but she who has many children | is forlorn.
- The LORD kills and | brings to life;*
- **G** he brings down to Sheol and | raises up.
- The LORD makes poor and | makes rich;*
- **G** he brings low and he exalts.
 - Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
 - as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 - is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P My soul magni- | fies the Lord,*
- **G** and my spirit rejoices in God my | Savior.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

G And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Micah* 5:2–5a

Epistle Hebrews 10:5–10

Alleluia LSB 190



Holy Gospel Luke 1:39-45

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life
 of the world to come. Amen.

Of the Father's Love Begotten LSB 384

Sermon



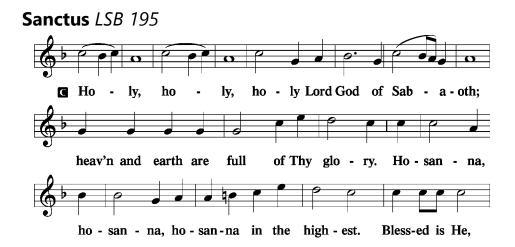
Prayer of the Church

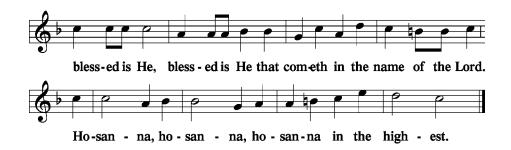
Preface LSB 194



Proper Preface (Abbreviated) LSB 194

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:





Lord's Prayer

 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.

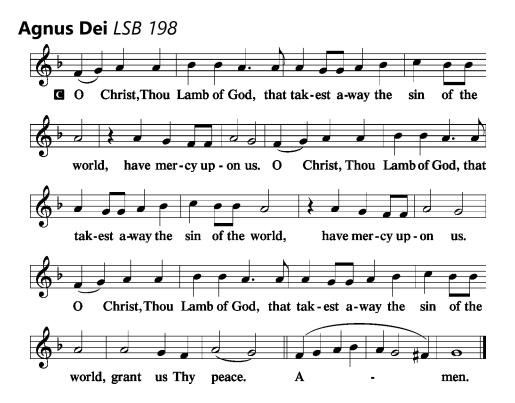
The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

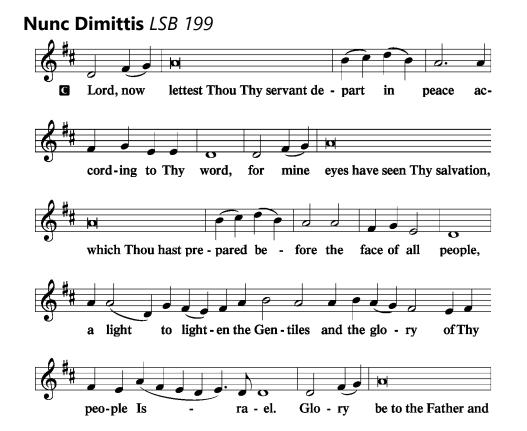
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My I blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

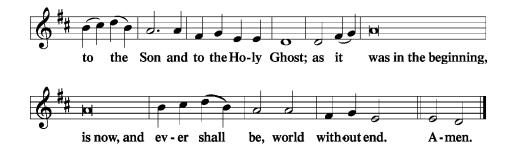






Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness LSB 636





Thanksgiving LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

G and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

• And with thy spirit.

Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C Amen.

My Soul Rejoices LSB 933

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