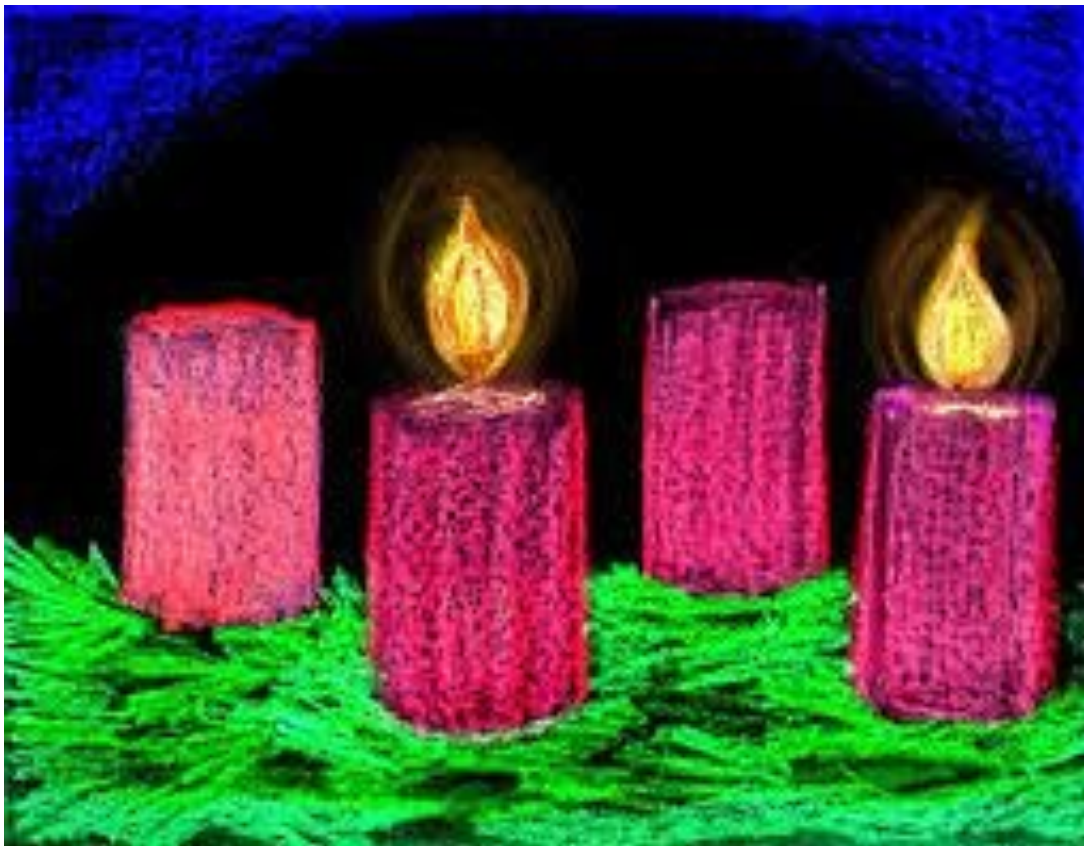


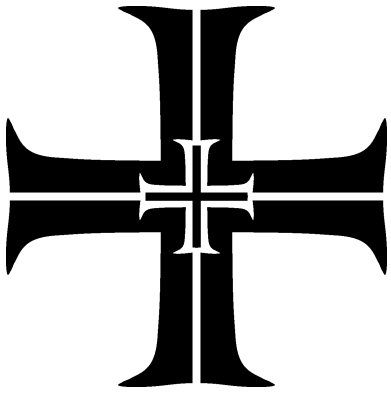
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SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Annapolis, Maryland*



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8 AM AND 10 AM

*(The 10 a.m. service will be live-streamed and then available on our St. Martin's YouTube channel.)*

PRELUDE

“Overture” from “The Messiah”

- G.F. Handel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Holy and gracious God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you. Some of our sin we know – the thoughts and words and deeds of which we are ashamed – but some is known only to you. In the name of Jesus Christ we ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore us, that we may live and serve in peace. Amen.**

God's compassion and mercy are beyond measure, As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Sisters and Brothers in name of Christ you are forgiven. Let us receive this gift humbly and joyfully and ever be thankful to God who crowns us with mercy and love. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Prepare the Royal Highway

ELW 264 (vs. 1, 4)



- 1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
- 2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
- 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
- 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!  
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!  
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.  
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:  
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!  
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:  
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
Music: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN. Swedish folk tune, 17th cent.  
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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.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

1 People, look east. The time is near  
of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east, and sing today—  
Love, the Guest, is on the way.

2 Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
one more seed is planted there.  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
that in course the flow'r may flourish.  
People, look east, and sing today—  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 3:1-6

The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, the third chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, <sup>2</sup>during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, <sup>4</sup>as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. <sup>5</sup>Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; <sup>6</sup>and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

After the Lesson:

The Gospel of The Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY

On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry

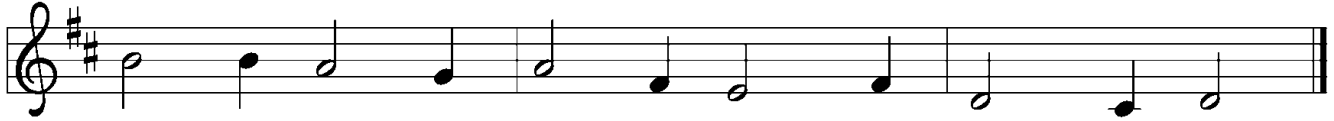
ELW 249 (vs. 1, 2)



1 On Jor - dan’s bank the Bap - tist’s cry an - nounc - es  
2 Then cleansed be ev - ’ry life from sin; make straight the  
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our ref - uge  
4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us  
5 All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,  
 way for God with - in, and let us all our  
 and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we  
 rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -  
 has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!  
 hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.  
 waste a - way like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.  
 on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.  
 we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. composite  
 Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

## The Apostles' Creed

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 again 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 THE CHURCH (Congregation Responds ...Your mercy is great.)

## SHARING PEACE

## THE OFFERING

*We thank you for your generosity and support! We are blessed to return thanks to God through our offerings to support the work of the Church in the world. Ushers will bring the plates to those worshipping in person this day. For those worshipping online you may give electronically or by way of US Mail. Your gifts enable our day to day operational budget, our missions, and the care of those in need.*

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## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

'He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd'  
 (Carin Antochy)

G. F. Handel

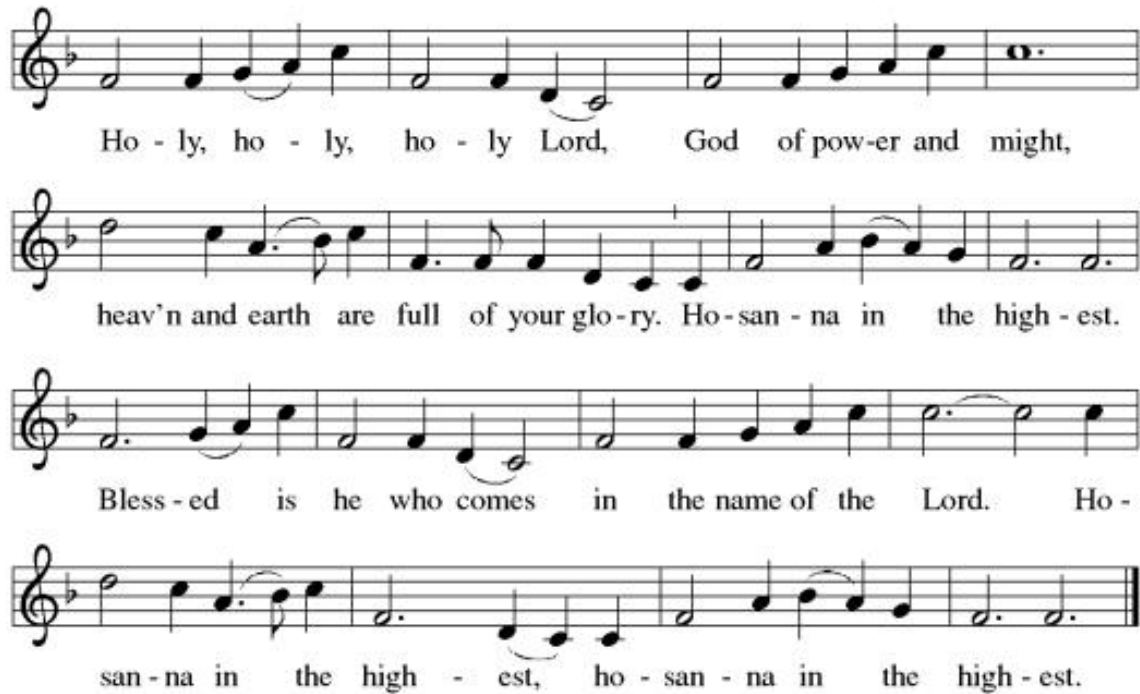
# ▪ SERVICE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST ▪

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. We give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

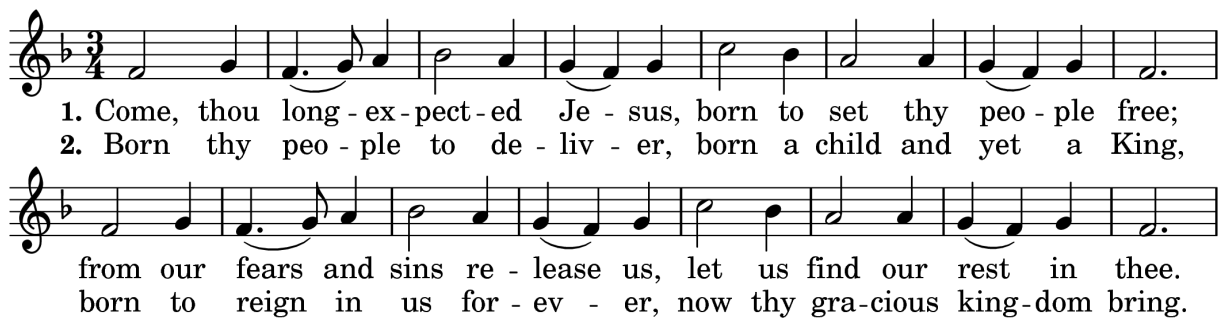
## THE LORD'S PRAYER & COMMUNION

## BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

## Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

ELW 254



1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - 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-ery na-tion, joy of ev-ery long-ing heart.  
 by thine all-suf-fi-cient mer-it, raise us to thy glo-rious throne.

United Methodist Hymnal 196  
 WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1744  
 MUSIC (HYFRYDOL 87.87 D): Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

**POSTLUDE**

“Comfort, Comfort Ye My People”

*with*

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

- David Kidwell

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Ushers (8 a.m.)	Molly Michaelson
Assisting Minister (10 a.m.)	Doug Hole
Ushers (10 a.m.)	Barb and Freddie Krickbaum Larry Day Dave Mattingley
Cantor	Carin Antochy
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Christmas Eve



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4 PM - Children's Service  
7 PM and 9 PM - Traditional Service with Candles  
and Brass

“Fill the Drawer” Offering Collection

If you read your Journey to the Manger Advent devotional for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent, you will see we are collecting new socks and underwear for all genders and ages. Our youth traveling to the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this summer will take them for their in-kind offering.

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