

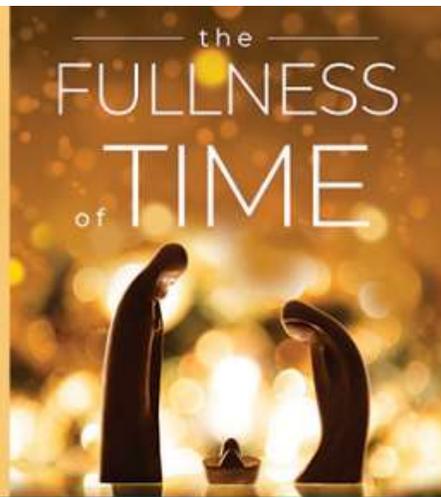
Sunday Advent  
Worship

8 AM

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LUTHERAN CHURCH  
OF THE RESURRECTION

SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 28, 2021

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PEACE - HOPE - JOY - LOVE



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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

### HYMN

*"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" vs.1*

ELW 254

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,  
dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Let us pray,

We are a people who seek peace. We know that God has told us to turn our weapons of war into instruments that benefit all humanity. In the name of that Child who was born long ago to become the Prince of Peace, we now light the Candle of Peace. **Amen.**

*(Light the first blue candle)*

### HYMN

*"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" vs.2*

ELW 254

Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king;  
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**God for whom we wait, in the presence of one another, we confess our sin before you. We fail in believing that your good news is for us. We falter in our call to tend your creation. We find our sense of self in material wealth. We fear those different from ourselves. We forget that we are your children and turn away from your love. Forgive us, Blessed One, and assure us again of your saving grace.**

**Amen.**

God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you! Through the power of the Holy Spirit, ✝ your sins are forgiven. You are children of the Most High, inheritors of the eternal promise, and recipients of divine mercy. God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

**Amen.**

## OPENING HYMN

*"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" vs 1 & 2*

**ELW 244**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.... Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come,

**by your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Ephesians 1:3-14**

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us.

With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

THE WORD OF THE LORD. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**      *"My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness" vs. 1*      **ELW 251**

My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord; I sing my Savior's praise!  
You looked upon my lowliness, and I am full of grace.  
Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age this blessing shall proclaim—  
great wonders you have done for me, and holy is your name.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CHAPTER**

**GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

*God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.*

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD. PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

*Please be seated.*

## REFLECTION

Pastor Kelly Nieman Anderson

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding! vs. 1, 3 & 4*

**ELW 246**

## OFFERING PRAYER

God of our waiting and watching, we offer our financial gifts, the gifts of our hearts and our very lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you each and every day in our world and in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace. In Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## 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 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 PEOPLE

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that desire for God's presence.

*Pause after each prayer for a brief time of reflection.*

We pray as we sing, O Come....



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

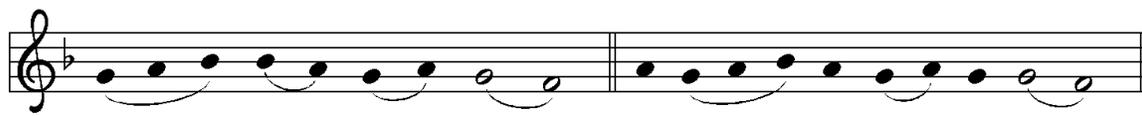
## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Please bring out your pre-sealed communion cups at this time, or you can bring out any bread and juice/wine if at home, so we can bless the elements.*

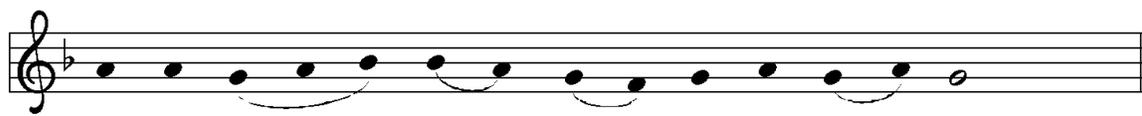
### DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

## WORD'S OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## 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.**

*Please be seated and we will now share Christ's promise, and the blessings and grace of this meal.*

## REFLECTION HYMN

*"What Feast of Love"*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## BLESSING

The God of hope ☩ fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*"The King Shall Come" vs 1, 3 & 5*

ELW 260

## SENDING

Go in peace, as we share the Resurrection by:

**Loving Jesus, Changing Lives, and Reaching Out to Serve. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## POSTLUDE

We look forward to you and/or your family joining us next week for our Advent Worship:

8:00am & 10am - Indoor & Livestream Worship

9am Education Hour for All Ages

Midweek Advent Worship December 1, 8, 15

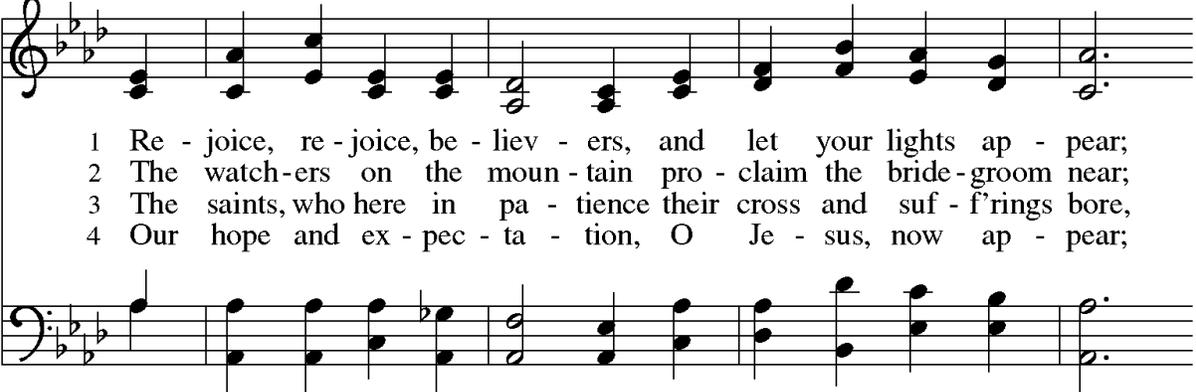
Noon & 6:30pm

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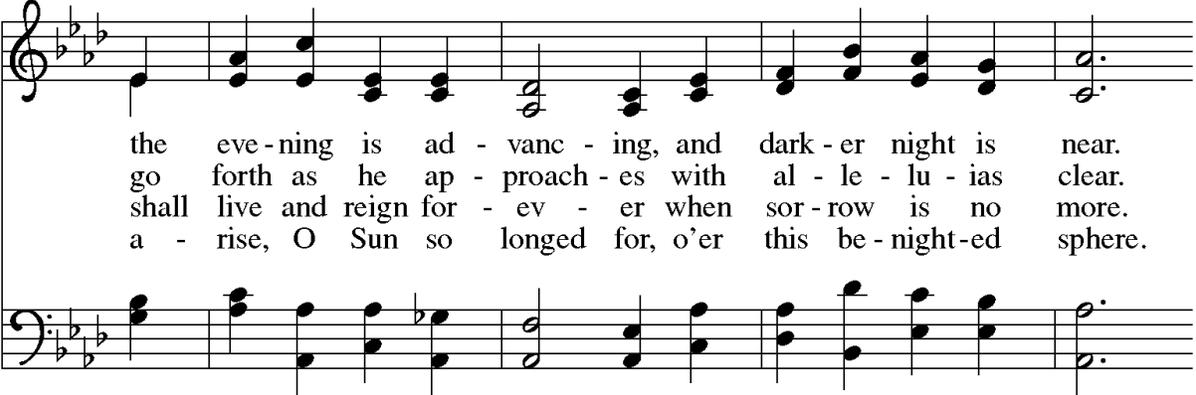
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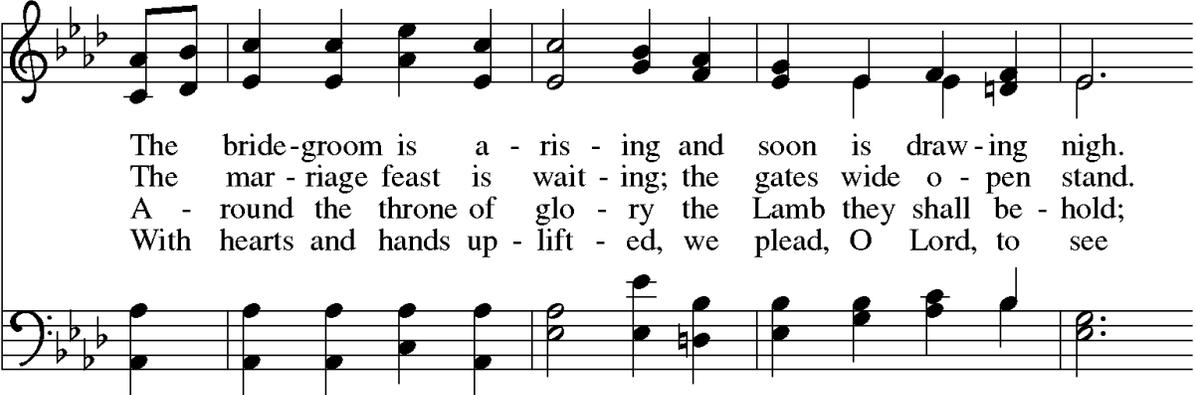
# Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



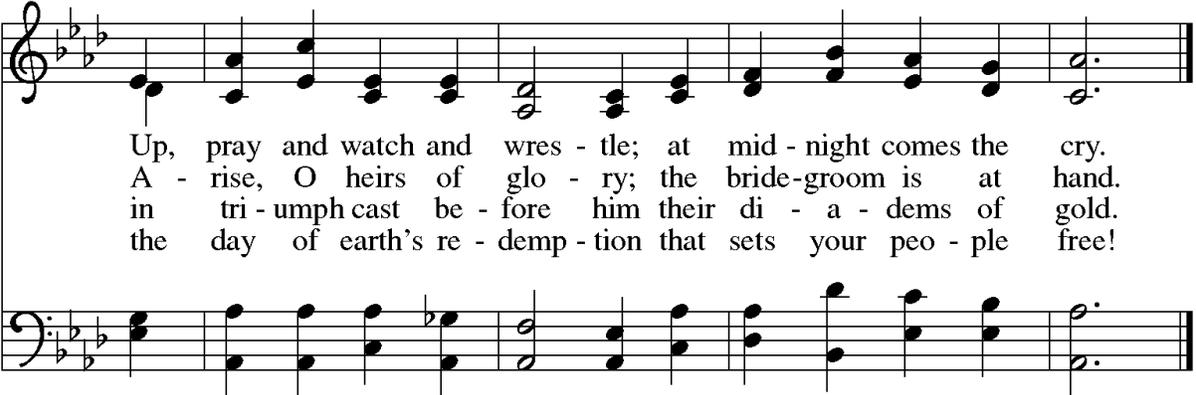
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;  
2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;  
3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ings bore,  
4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.  
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.  
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.  
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.  
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;  
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.  
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.  
in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.  
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

## Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!



1 Hark! a thrill - ing voice is sound - ing! "Christ is near," we  
2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age  
3 See the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, come with par - don  
4 So, when next he comes in glo - ry and the world is  
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther



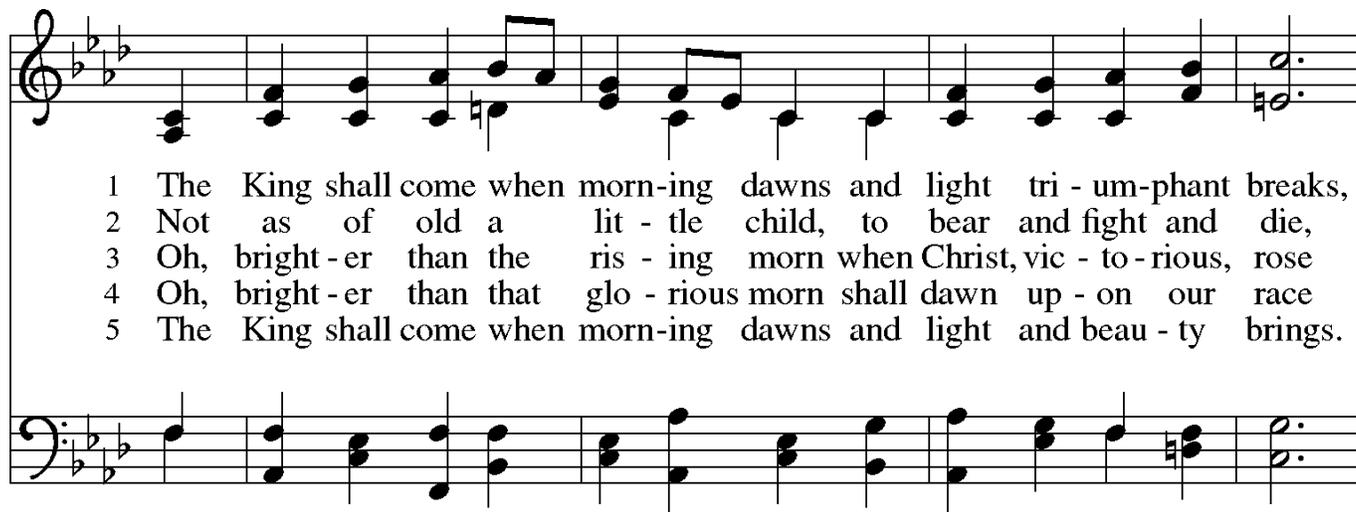
hear it say. "Cast a - way the works of dark - ness,  
let us rise; Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling,  
down from heav'n. Let us haste, with tears of sor - row,  
wrapped in fear, he will shield us with his mer - cy  
and the Son with the ev - er - last - ing Spir - it



all you chil - dren of the day!"  
shines up - on the morn - ing skies.  
one and all, to be for - giv'n;  
and with words of love draw near.  
while un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin hymn, 1632; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878  
Music: MERTON, William H. Monk, 1823–1889

# The King Shall Come



1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um-phant breaks,  
2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, to bear and fight and die,  
3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn when Christ, vic - to - rious, rose  
4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn shall dawn up - on our race  
5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau - ty brings.



when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.  
but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.  
and left the lone - some place of death, de - spite the rage of foes.  
the day when Christ in splen - dor comes, and we shall see his face.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: come quick - ly, King of kings.

Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925

Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davison, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that desire for God's presence.

*Pause after each prayer for a brief time of reflection.*

We pray as we sing, O Come....



“O come, o come, Emmanuel!”

Come to our world with its cruelty and hatred;

its division and distrust; its greed and its selfishness.

Come with your gentleness, to ease the pain of hate.

Come with Your forgiveness, to dispel dissension and restore harmony.

Come with Your humility, to cure the error of pride and self-centeredness.

Come with Your peace to transform the world into Your Kingdom.

Come with Your Word and make it a living reality here, in our lives, our time and place.

Come to the Church and show it how to serve you as you wish to be served.

*We pray as we sing, O Come.....*

“O come, o come, O Lord of might!”

Come to those who act violently and overcome their anger.

Come to those who persecute the weak and establish kindness.

Come to those who revel in their powerfulness and remind them of the power of love.

Come with Your grace to establish Your Kingdom in the hearts of all.

*We pray as we sing, O Come.....*

“O come, O Branch of Jesse!”

Come to our nation and fill us with peace and blessings.

Come to the lost and the least and the lonely in our land

and let them know that they are valued and loved by you.

Come to those who have lost any sense of their worth and surround them with your love.

Come to the homeless, the forsaken,

the poor in spirit and the disturbed in mind bringing your peace.

*We pray as we sing, O Come.....*

“O come, O Dayspring!”

Come to all the sick and the suffering with the comfort of your healing.

Come to all the guilt-ridden and the grieving with the offer of your forgiveness and hope.

Come to all the distressed and the dying with the promise of your peace.

Come to all who grieve for the senseless tragedy in Waukesha, for those who have gone before us in faith and are now at rest with You, especially those once known and loved by us here on earth.

Come to all who are in need of strength, healing or wholeness (especially... *Erica, Lyndsay, Joe & the Sileno family, Margaret, Pastor Kara, Marcia, Doris, Scott, Mark, Sandy, Earl, Jim, Sandy, Kit, Jacki and Shirley*) for You are sufficient for every need.

And now hear us as we share with You in a moment of silence the personal and private prayers of our hearts, for ourselves and for those known to us....

*We pray as we sing, O Come.....*

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**