

A Service of Lessons and Carols
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church of Olathe, Kansas
December 17, 2025, 6:45pm

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PRELUDE

Fantasy on O Come, O Come Emmanuel
arr. Copley

PASTORAL GREETING

ANTHEM

Prepare the Way
Martin

All Choirs with Adult bells, Violin, and Flute

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Emmanuel
Ying
Littles Choir with Ukelele

Stand

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

ADVENT PRAYER

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords, the Son of the living God and Son of David, come. Come now to Your Church that You have purchased with Your blood. Come with Your gracious presence, that we may rejoice in You. Come and rule over us, that we may serve and follow You. Come with Your love, humility, and perfect obedience, and let Your lowliness become our glory. Come into the midst of Your people and bless us. Forgive us our sin, and do not angrily cast away Your servants, for You are meek and gracious. Clothe us with the garment of Your righteousness, for You are the only righteous one and our helper. Satisfy us with the abundance of Your mercy, for You did become poor for our sakes, that by Your poverty we might be made rich. Hear us, Lord Jesus, for the sake of Your holy name.

People: **Amen.**

Sit

LESSON 1: Genesis 3:8-15

The Curse and Promise in Eden

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good In E - den's
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove Was bro - ken,
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, A plan of
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame Flows life e -

ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and
 as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 res - cue by His grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's
 ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -

sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this
 guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of
 seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a
 lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this

gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they
 sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and
 tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would
 fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to

knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
 death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
 die, Would drink the cup of scorn and
 eat, To find with - in this cross of

dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
 played With - in the world so new - ly made.
 dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
 wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

LESSON 2: Genesis 22:15-18**Promise to Abraham**

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM***Savior of the Nations, Come***

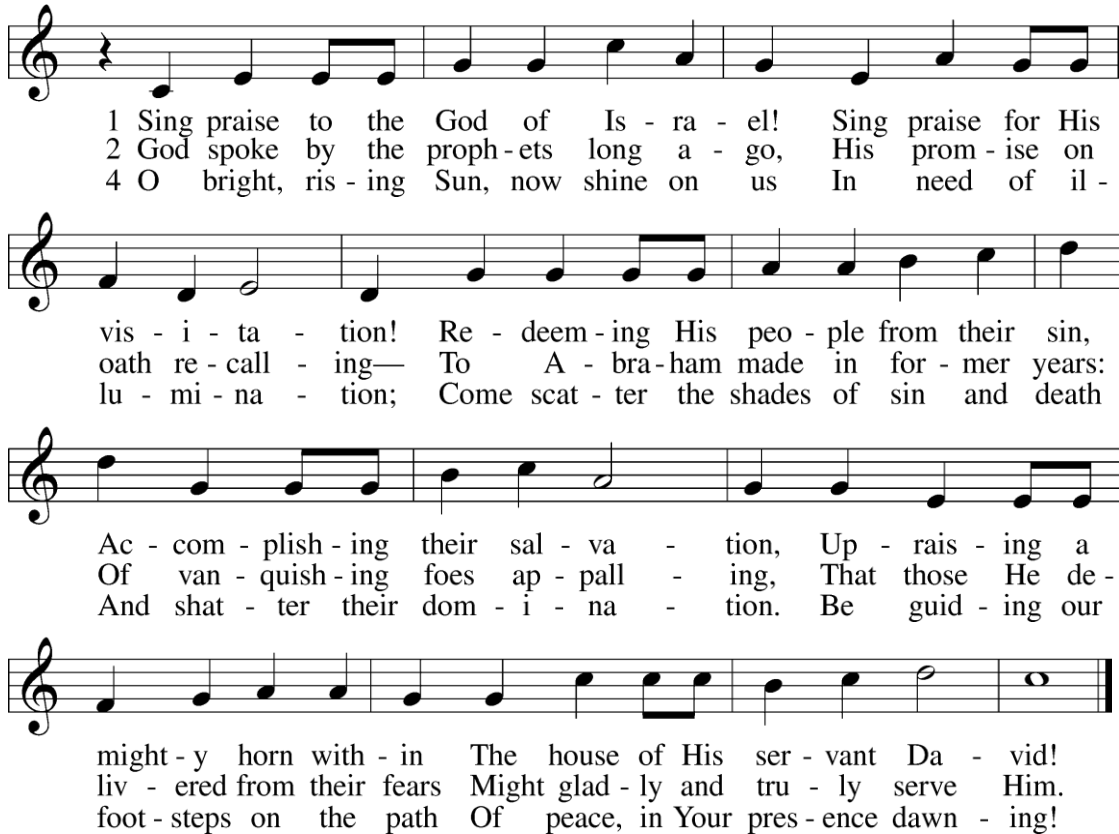
arr. Austin

Adult Bells

HYMN

Sing Praise to the God of Israel

LSB 936: 1-2, 4



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His
2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on
4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -

vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,
oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:
lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death

Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a
Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -
And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our

might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!
liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.
foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

LESSON 3: Isaiah 9:2-7

Unto Us a Child is Born

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Prince of Peace

arr. Ingram

Laudate Handbells

LESSON 4: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People

arr. Martin

Youth Choir with Percussion

LESSON 5: Micah 5:2-4

Bethlehem

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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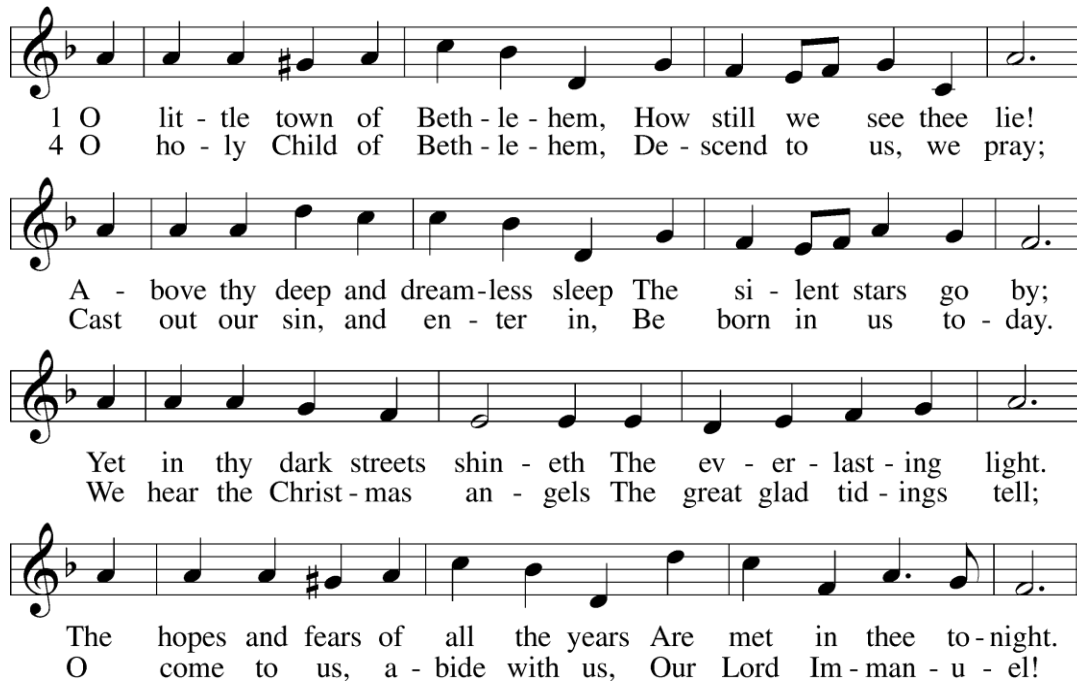
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

arr. Delancy
Intermezzo Ringers

HYMN

O Little Town of Bethlehem

LSB 361: sts. 1,4



1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie!
4 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, De - scend to us, we pray;

A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by;
Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, Be born in us to - day.

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing light.
We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad tid - ings tell;

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Im - man - u - el!

Stand

LESSON 6: Luke 1:26-35

The Annunciation to Mary

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

ANTHEM

Mary Did You Know

arr. Schraeder
Saving Grace

Stand

LESSON 7: Luke 2:1-7

The Birth of Jesus

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

ANTHEM

Lullaby for a King

Hughes and Loose

Adult Choir

Stand

LESSON 8: Luke 2:8-14

The Shepherds

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN

Where Shepherds Lately Knelt

LSB 369



1 Where shep-herds late - ly knelt and kept the an - gel's word,
2 In that un - like - ly place I find Him as they said:
3 How should I not have known I - sa - iah would be there,
4 Can I, will I for - get how Love was born, and burned



I come in half - be - lief, a pil - grim strange - ly stirred;
Sweet new - born babe, how frail! And in a man - ger bed:
His proph - e - cies ful - filled? With pound - ing heart I stare:
Its way in - to my heart— un - asked, un - forced, un - earned,



But there is room and wel - come there for me,
A still, small voice to cry one day for me,
A child, a son, the Prince of Peace for me,
To die, to live, and not a - lone for me,



But there is room and wel - come there for me.
A still, small voice to cry one day for me.
A child, a son, the Prince of Peace for me.
To die, to live, and not a - lone for me?

ANTHEM

Hallelujah Chorus

Handle, arr. Podd and Podd

Children's Choir

Stand

LESSON 9: Matthew 2:1-11

The Magi

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

ANTHEM

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

arr. Strepka

Beata Handbells with Percussion

Stand

LESSON 10: John 1:1-14

The Word Became Flesh

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

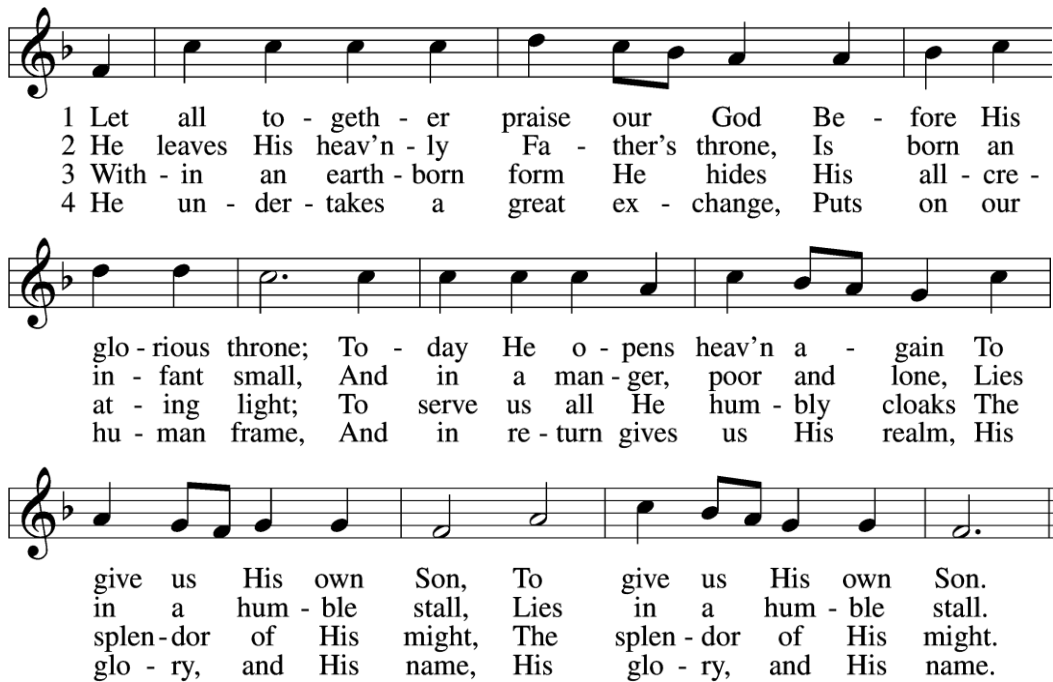
People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN

Let All Together Praise Our God

LSB 389



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His
2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -
4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our
glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To
in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The
hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His
give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.
in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.
glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

5. He is a servant, I a lord:
How great a mystery!
How strong the tender Christ Child's love!
No truer friend than He,
No truer friend than He.

△ 7. Your grace in lowliness revealed,
Lord Jesus, we adore
And praise to God the Father yield
And Spirit evermore;
We praise You evermore.

6. He is the key and He the door
To blessèd paradise;
The angel bars the way no more.
To God our praises rise,
To God our praises rise.

Sit

LESSON 11: Revelation 21:1-7; 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

Christ Will Come Again

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

Once He Came in Blessing

LSB 333

1 Once He came in bless - ing, All our sins re -
2 Now He gent - ly leads us; With Him - self He
3 Soon will come that hour When with might - y
4 Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, From our sins re -

dress - ing; Came in like - ness low - ly,
feeds us Pre - cious food from heav - en,
pow - er Christ will come in splen - dor
lease us. Keep our hearts be - liev - ing,

Son of God most ho - ly; Bore the cross to
Pledge of peace here giv - en, Man - na that will
And will judg - ment ren - der, With the faith - ful
That we, grace re - ceiv - ing, Ev - er may con -

save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
nour - ish Souls that they may flour - ish.
shar - ing Joy be - yond com - par - ing.
fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

Stand

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 24:7-10

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,

People: **that the King of glory may come in.**

Pastor: Who is this King of glory?

Women: *The LORD strong and mighty,*

Men: *the LORD mighty in battle.*

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors,

People: **that the King of glory may come in.**

Pastor: Who is he, this King of glory?

People: **The LORD Almighty – He is the King of glory.**

All: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.

PRAYER

Pastor: Lord God, we praise You that You comforted Your people with the promise of a Redeemer. We praise You that in the fullness of time You sent Your Son as the Redeemer. We praise You for the promise that He will come again to judge the world in righteousness. Open our hearts to receive our Redeemer now as He comes to us in Word and Sacrament. Open our eyes in awareness of His rule in our lives by His grace. Make Advent a blessing to us as we welcome our King in faith and love. We lift up our heads to welcome Him anew. Fill us with gladness as He comes to us.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Thy Strong Word

arr. Schalk

LSB 578

Congregation: sts. 1,3,5 and 6 and Adult Choir: sts. 2,4
Adult Choir with Congregation, and Trumpets

- 1. Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee,
While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!**

Choir

- 2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation,
Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!**

- 3. Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!**

Choir

- 4. From the cross Thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!**

- 5. Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!**

- △ 6. God the Father, light-creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!**

SERVING PARTICIPANTS:

Officiating Minister	Pastor Joel Schultz
Assistant Minister	Pastor Mike Ada & Vicar Jonah Wilson
Organist.....	Lauran Delancy
Pianists.....	Connie Teig and Lauran Delancy
Ukelele	Izzy Martinez
Trumpeters.....	Thomas Bodenstag & Layla Schepmann
Flautist.....	Riley Olson
Violinist.....	Kristin Smalling
Percussionists.....	Walter Schlef and Eric Schlef
Directors of Vocal Choirs and Handbell Choirs.....	Lauran Delancy, Lisa Gruhn, & Eric Schlef
Acolytes.....	Christopher Chapa & TBD



A HUGE thank you from
Pastor Schultz and Pastor Ada
to all listed, as well as
the singers and ringers of the
Adult Choir, Children & Youth
Choirs & Handbell Choirs!



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

Fourth Sunday of Advent Service w/Communion – 8:00am and 10:45am
Education Hour – 9:30am – 10:30am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services – 4:00pm, 6:00pm and 8:00pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day Service w/Communion – 9:00am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

First Sunday after Christmas Service w/Communion – 8:00am and 10:45am
Family Education Hour – 9:30am – 10:30am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

New Year's Eve Service – 6:00pm

