



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Midweek Advent Service 1



Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a visitor's card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew. During the offering, place this card in the offering plate. As you leave, please introduce yourself to the pastors.

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out one of our attendance cards. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. Thank you for filling out an Attendance card every time you attend Church—it helps us keep good records.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

BELLS

WELCOME / GREETING

We welcome Pastor Jesse & Naomi Narit from Stronghold Cambodia to our service tonight. Pastor Jesse will be our preacher and will also be giving a presentation in the multipurpose room following this service. *A door collection will be taken following the service and during the presentation to benefit their work at Stronghold Cambodia.*

OPENING HYMN, LSB 345, “Hark! The Glad Sound”

Please stand

INVOCATION

(Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

P In the name of the Father and of the **†** Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

+ ADVENT LITANY +

P Lift up your heads and open your eyes.
C for he is coming.
P Who is coming?
C The King of glory!
P Blessings on Him
C who comes in the name of the Lord.
P As we light our Advent wreath, we remember the One who comes—Jesus, the light of the world.

(The acolyte will light a candle in the Advent wreath as the hymn is sung.)

ADVENT HYMN, LSB 357 v. 1-2, “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

{Text: Latin, c. 12th cent.; Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum, 1710, Köln; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt. Text: Public domain.]

**1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!***

**2 O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
Who ord’rest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!***

- P** He came as a baby in a manger,
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** He came to be our Savior.
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** With joy and gladness,
C **we celebrate His coming.**

- P** He comes to us each day in the promise of His presence.
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** Let us open our hearts to Him,
C **and walk in His ways.**
- P** He will come again to take us to Himself in heaven.
C **Come, Lord Jesus.**

MAGNIFICAT [LSB 933]

(Luke 1:46-55)

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1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing Sing the

great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He

fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion

bless-ing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Mighty and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the

ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth - y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the

sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A - br'ham's off - spring

Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

ADVENT COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty Father, by the advent of Your Son into the world, the kingdom of heaven now is open to all who believe in Him. Give us grace to receive the Lord Jesus as our Emmanuel, God with us. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, inspire our praises in this season of blessed expectation. Lead us joyfully to serve Jesus, our Advent King, in our daily lives, so that when He comes again on the Last Day in power and majesty we may, by Your mercy, be

gathered into Your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and our King.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

ADVENT HYMN OF THE DAY, LSB 350, “Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come”

ADVENT SCRIPTURE, Isaiah 25:1-10

¹O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. ²For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the foreigners' palace is a city no more; it will never be rebuilt. ³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. ⁴For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in his distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat; for the breath of the ruthless is like a storm against a wall, ⁵like heat in a dry place. You subdue the noise of the foreigners; as heat by the shade of a cloud, so the song of the ruthless is put down. ⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.” ¹⁰For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain, and Moab shall be trampled down in his place, as straw is trampled down in a dunghill.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ADVENT MESSAGE

OFFERING

Please stand

ADVENT PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Accept, O almighty Lord, our praise for Your blessed Son, Jesus Christ, who came in the flesh to seek and to save us in our lost condition. Grant that at His second and glorious

appearing He may find in us the fruits of the redemption that He has graciously accomplished for us; through the same, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.**

BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN, *LSB 338, “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

BELLS

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP HELPERS

PREACHER – Pastor Jesse Narit

LITURGIST – Rev. Brian Downs

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ACOLYTES – Everly Dethrow & Audrey Braun

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churchwide **CHRISTMAS** **Caroling**

Sunday, December 8th

2:00 p.m.

Meet in Overflow Room

Board of Evangelism hosting fellowship dinner afterwards in multipurpose room!



All are welcome! Join us to spread cheer to our shut in & homebound members!



It's that time again!

Cookie Walk

Let us do the baking for you!
Come & choose your favorites!



Saturday, December 7th - 9am-12pm



Immanuel Lutheran Church

522 South Church Street, Waterloo



\$10.00 per pound

All proceeds benefit Immanuel's
Youth Group and Mission Team.



***Did you make cookies or treats for this event?
Please drop off your donations on Friday, Dec. 6th, from
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.***

Be sure to invite your family & friends on Saturday, too!

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