TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GLENDORA SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 8, 2024

357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel sts. 1, ref, 2-4

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear. *Refrain*
- ref 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. *Refrain*
- 3 O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the Law, In cloud and majesty and awe. *Refrain*
- 4 O come, Thou Branch of Jesse's tree, Free them from Satan's tyranny That trust Thy mighty pow'r to save, And give them vict'ry o'er the grave. *Refrain*

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Versicles

- L This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
- C Our God shall come; He does not keep silence.
- L Prepare the way of the Lord.
- C Make His paths straight.
- L Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness.
- C Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C 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.

357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel sts. 5–7

- 5 O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav'nly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery. *Refrain*
- 6 O come, Thou Dayspring from on high, And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight. *Refrain*
- O come, Desire of nations, bind, In one the hearts of all mankind;Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace. Refrain

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading Isaiah 35:4–7a

- L A reading from Isaiah, the thirty-fifth chapter. ⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert: ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water. This is the Word of the Lord. L
- C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

- P Fear the LORD, you His saints,
- C for those who fear Him lack nothing!
- P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
- C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Reading *James* 2:1–10, 14–18

A The Epistle is from James, chapter 2.

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . .

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Verse

- P Alleluia. The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- C He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Alleluia.

Reading Mark 7:31–37

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory

- L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- L He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

Children's Message

338 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

- 1 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.
- 2 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.

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ⊤ everlasting. Amen.

583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets st. 1

God has spoken by His prophets, Spoken His unchanging Word; Each from age to age proclaiming, God, the one, the righteous Lord. In the world's despair and turmoil, One firm anchor holds us fast: God is king, His throne eternal; God the first, and God the last.

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

The following hymn is sung as the teachers return to their seats and the offering is brought forward.

583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets st.2-3

- 2 God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son, Brightness of the Father's glory, With the Father ever one; Spoken by the Word Incarnate, God of God, before time was; Light of Light, to earth descending, He reveals our God to us.
- God is speaking by His Spirit, Speaking to our hearts again, In the ageless Word declaring, His own message, now as then. Through the rise and fall of nations, One sure faith yet standing fast; God abides, His Word unchanging; God the first, and God the last.

Prayer

- L In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For ... [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] ... let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Collect of the Day

- L O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

- L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.

341 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

- Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits. The King of kings is drawing near; The Savior of the world is here. Life and salvation He doth bring; Therefore rejoice and gladly sing. To God the Father raise, Your joyful songs of praise.
- A righteous Helper comes to thee; His chariot is humility, His kingly crown is holiness, His scepter, pity in distress. The end of all our woe He brings; Therefore the earth is glad and sings. To Christ the Savior raise, Your grateful hymns of praise.
- How blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the ruler is confessed!
 O peaceful hearts and happy homes, To whom this King in triumph comes!
 The cloudless sun of joy is He, Who comes to set His people free.
 To God the Spirit raise, Your happy shouts of praise.
- Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple set apart From earthly use for heav'n's employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy. So shall your Sov'reign enter in, And new and nobler life begin. To God alone be praise, For word and deed and grace!
- 5 Redeemer, come and open wide, My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide! O enter with Thy grace divine; Thy face of mercy on me shine. Thy Holy Spirit guide us on, Until our glorious goal is won. Eternal praise and fame, We offer to Thy name.

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