

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GLENDORA
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 22, 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*

Confession and Absolution

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **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*

7 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*

Service of the Word

Christmas Cantata "Heaven Has Come"

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.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Alleluia and Verse

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Luke 1:39-45*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³⁹In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, ⁴⁰and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit,

⁴²and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! ⁴³And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

384 Of the Father’s Love Begotten

- 1 Of the Father’s love begotten, Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, He the source, the ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been, And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.
 - 2 Oh, that birth forever blessèd, When the virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, Bore the Savior of our race,
And the babe, the world’s Redeemer, First revealed His sacred face
Evermore and evermore.
 - 3 This is He whom seers in old time, Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets, Promised in their faithful word.
Now He shines, the long-expected; Let creation praise its Lord
Evermore and evermore.
 - 4 O ye heights of heav’n, adore Him; Angel hosts, His praises sing.
Pow’rs, dominions, bow before Him, And extol our God and King.
Let no tongue on earth be silent, Ev’ry voice in concert ring
Evermore and evermore.
- △5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Father, And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving, And unending praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion, And eternal victory
Evermore and evermore. Amen.

Homily

Offering

935 Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord

- 1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of His Word; In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name! Make known His might, the deeds His arm has
done; His mercy sure, from age to age the same; His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might! Pow’rs and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word! Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord, To children’s children and forevermore!

Prayer of the Church

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.**

Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

379 O Come, All Ye Faithful *sts. I, ref, 2–4*

- 1 O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant! O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him, Born the king of angels: Refrain
- ref O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!
- 2 Highest, most holy, Light of Light eternal, Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;
Son of the Father, Now in flesh appearing! Refrain
- 3 Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, In the highest: Refrain
- 4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning; Jesus, to Thee be glory giv’n!
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing! Refrain

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