

ST. TIMOTHY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship Services

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God's anger is kindled by our sin and disobedience. The Lord turned away from his people and left them vulnerable to the consequences of their iniquity. Yet, when they cried out to him for salvation, when they vowed to live in unity with him as his beloved created ones, he sent his Son into the world to save us from sin and death. Through Jesus, God's face shines upon us. He is faithful until the end of the age.

Please maintain reverent silence before worship begins, as is fitting to our devotion and meditation.

Please place all cell phones on vibrate mode during the service.

Please wear a mask when in the building and sing quietly to yourself. The back Sunday School room is available as a "no singing" area.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

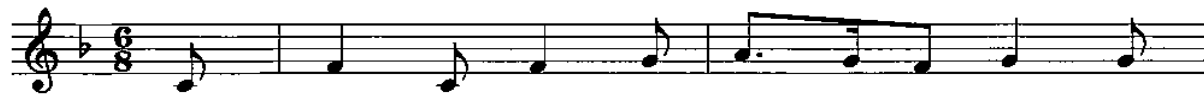
*indicates when the congregation is to stand. Anyone wishing to remain seated may do so during any part of the liturgy.

ST. TIMOTHY MISSION STATEMENT

We the baptized responding in our faith created and sustained by the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacraments, commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ, making disciples, and proclaiming His salvation by the grace of God through faith alone.

BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

*OPENING SONG "Awake, Awake and Greet the New Morn"



1. A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, For
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3. In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, When
4. Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, Though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, His hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, As morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, The ris - ing sun shall



now he is born, Be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, Yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, So warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, Be strong and lov - ing and fear - less;



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, To bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul And hymns of lov - ing
Then shall the mute break forth in song, The lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer, And love, our end - less



geth - er, He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door And
kind - ness, The thun - der of his an - thems roll To
won - der, The weak be raised a - bove the strong, And
sto - ry, May God fill ev - 'ry day we share, And



lives now in - side us for ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the minister begins:

P Trusting in the Word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P It is time to wake from sleep. Salvation is near!
Let us make confession to God.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Lord Jesus,

C **we confess that in thought, word, and deed we have turned away from you. We have not eagerly expected your Advent. We have been slow to serve you and our neighbor. Restore us, Son of the most high God. Come to us, and we shall be saved. Amen**

P Lay aside the works of the night; put on the Lord Jesus Christ. Strengthen your hearts, for "God with us" saves us from our sins. Almighty God grant you forgiveness, keep you in the grace of ✝ Christ Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy and hope.

C **Amen**

P Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Hymn *Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel* (Stanza 1)

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

Text: *Psalteriolum Cantionum Catholicarum*, Köln, 1710; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, French processional, 15th cent.

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SPECIAL MUSIC *"I Wonder as I Wander"* - Chip Custer, Solo

Appalachian Folksong
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GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

FIRST READING

Isaiah 64:1-9

A reading from Isaiah

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence — as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil — to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls

upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

Lesson Response L The Word of the Lord.
 C Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE #7 *“Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain”*

Climb to the top of the
high-est moun-tain, You who will bring the good news to Zi-on.
Lift up your voic-es and bold-ly pro-claim: “See the
Lord God. He comes in pow-er.” Write down the vi-sion, in-
scribe it on tab-lets, Read-y for a her-ald to
car-ry it swift-ly. Soon, ver-y soon, he will come to you.
Live by faith, my righ-teous ones.

SECOND READING

First Corinthians 1:3-9

A reading from First Corinthians

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge – even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you – so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lesson Response

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth Chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. Therefore, stay awake — for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning — lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

Gospel Response **P** The Gospel of the Lord.
 C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

YOUTH SERMON

SERMON

*SONG OF THE DAY

"Alleluia"



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
2 *He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior,*
3 I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him,



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
2 *He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior, He's my Sav - ior.*
3 I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him.

(Advent: 4. "He is coming, Alleluia...")

***NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the **+** dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

*CALL TO PRAYER

"Even So, Lord Jesus Come"

Words by
William J. Gaither
and Gloria Gaither

Music by
William J. Gaither

The musical score is written in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 3/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a repeat sign and contains the lyrics: "E - ven so, Lord Je - sus, come; _____ My heart doth". The second staff starts at measure 6 and contains: "long for Thee. _____ Though I've failed and be - trayed Thy trust, _____". The third staff starts at measure 12 and contains: "E - ven so, Lord Je - sus, come! _____ E - ven come! _____". Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, G, D, A7 in the first staff; D, A6, D, G, D in the second staff; A, A7, and two first/second endings of D in the third staff.

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*PRAYERS

- A Let us pray...
(The assisting minister ends each petition with "*Stir up your power and come.*" The congregation responds with "*Lord Jesus, live among us*")
- P Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** (*Due to the social distancing mandate, please let this suffice for your greeting to all our worshippers*)

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS (*You may place financial offerings in the plates as you arrive or leave the sanctuary*)

***GOD COMES TO HIS PEOPLE IN HOLY COMMUNION**

P Let us offer these gifts to the Lord.

C **As signs of His love for us.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord.

C **For through these gifts He comes to feed us.**

P Let us bless God's Holy Name.

C **And rejoice in His presence.**

P Let us come to the table with joy.

C **For we come as God's invited guests.**

***EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P 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.

C Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen

COMMUNION

Communion will be distributed to all except the worship leaders as you leave the building. Please observe social distancing as you go.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C Amen

***GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD**

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C **Amen**

A Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the **+** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

***A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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