

10:30 am December 21, 2025

### **WELCOME**

### SONG/LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.... Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-16

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 80:1-7, 17-19

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned up- on the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

4 O Lord God of hosts,

how long will your anger fume when your people pray?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

17 Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one you have made so strong for yourself.

18 And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name.

19 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**SECOND READING: Romans 1:1-7** Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18-25** 

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord. The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

### **SERMON**

**SONG** 

# **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

...through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

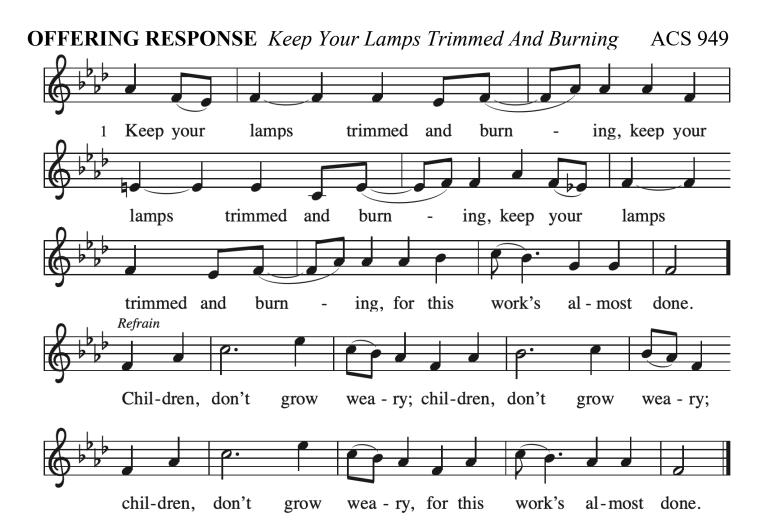
Amen

# **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

# **OFFERING**



Text: African American spiritual

Music: KEEP YOUR LAMPS, African American spiritual

#### **COMMUNION**

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# **DISTRIBUTION AND SONG**

**BLESSING** 

**SONG** 

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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