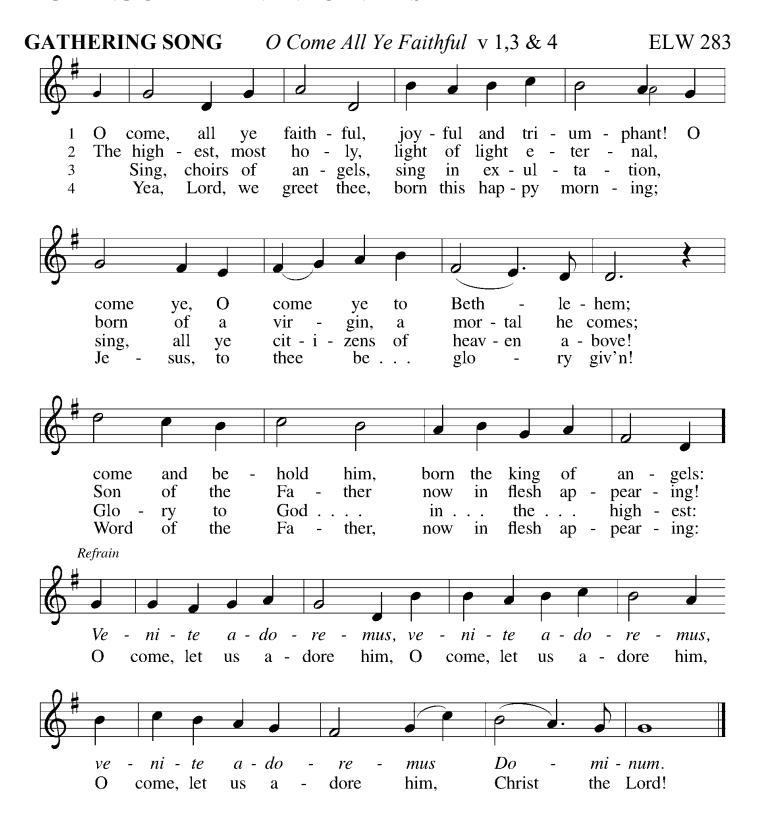


WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES



Text: attr. John Francis Wade, 1711–1786; tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802–1880, sts. 1, 3–4; tr. unknown, st. 2 Music: ADESTE FIDELES, attr. John Francis Wade

PRAYER Elise Thompson

Jesus, you love us and you came to be one of us.

Thank you. Thank you.

You were born in a village, born to be with us.

Thank you. Thank you.

You were a real baby, born in a stable.

Thank you. Thank you.

You came to save us from sin and sadness.

Thank you. Thank you.

You came to give us new life!

Thank you. Thank you.

Guide us now and help us see just how all this came to be. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING – "His Birth was Foretold"

(Isaiah 9:6, Luke 1-3, Matthew 2)

Led by Lane Nagelhout, Andrew Hanson and Bennett Nash-Keller

Long before ... gift for all mankind.

For unto us a Child is born. Unto us a Son is given.

God offered ... how much He loved us.

And authority will be upon His shoulders.

In ancient times ... Jesus rules in our hearts.

He will be called the Wonderful Counselor.

Wonderful Counselor ... and accept His words.

He will be called The Mighty God.

The Mighty God ... He is mighty, indeed.

He will be called The Everlasting Father.

The Everlasting Father ... His love for all eternity.

He will be called The Prince of Peace.

The Prince of Peace...Our Prince of Peace!

Praise God for the wonderful gift of Jesus!

SKIT: THE ANIMAL'S GIFTS

Narrator: Bryson Bain Cow: Ruby Daum

Mary: Savannah Bush

Joseph: August Daum Donkey: Bruce Lewis

Angel: Logan Nagelhout Shepherd: Addison Winters

Rooster: Reba Gayne

Flock: Eden Hanson, Hayden Madsen, Kuiper Becker,

Tenley Halgerson, Gabriel Lewis

Owl: Kelsey Lesher

SONGSingin' a Song of PraiseAll StudentsSONGAway in a Manger verses 1 & 2All StudentsSONGSilent Night verses 1 & 2All Students

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & LORD'S PRAYER

Grady Bain, Kuiper Becker, Savannah Bush, Logan Nagelhout, Brooke Bather

...God of grace,

hear our prayer.

...let us pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

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.

BLESSING Elise Thompson

Holy God, help us to know Jesus' love for us, not because of what we've done, but because of what He's done for us. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless all who look upon this manger, now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING Pastor Jess Daum

SENDING SONG *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* All Students

DISMISSAL Hayley Sandager

Let us go in peace to spread the good news and share Jesus' love with everyone we meet!

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for cookies in the Mission Coffeehouse following worship.



We are grateful to Tiffany Lewis and Diane Almos for volunteering their time and talents for the sake of this Christmas program. Thank you to all the classroom guides, activity leaders, the Children, Youth, and Family team, and the numerous volunteers who serve all year long as a loving presence for our children. Thank you, families, for guiding and supporting your children in their faith walk.

Children, Youth and Family Ministry Director: Rose Baerenwald

Coordinator of Congregational Life: Emily Johnson

Bulletins: Cyndi Johnson

Pastors: Jessica Daum & Trey Daum

Journey Volunteer Teachers and Assistants: Jayden Almos, Ashley Becker, Darian Bush, Brooke Carsrud, Leeann Diercks, Audry Field, Eva Hanson, Chaundra Hilleson-Gayne, Hanna Holmquist, Amanda Johnson, Megan Madsen, Cheryl Melby, Lizzy Milton, Andrea Morlock, Matt Morlock, Courtney Nash-Keller, Amber Overby, Ellen Sandager, Taya Twedt, Joelle Winters

Gratitude for Our Shared Mission

On behalf of First Lutheran Church, we thank the members and friends who sustain our ministries. Your stewardship allows the congregation to fulfill its corporate promise to these children. Thank you for standing behind the church's work with these families.

Journey Students

Junior Journey

Adalyn Gebhart, Marek Konechne, Kristine McCurdy, Lila Nash-Keller, Brooke Sandager, Aurora Vanderzee, Mya Zilverberg

Pre-K

Emmett Amundson, Jepsen Anderson, Marren Andrews, Baylee Bather, Lukan Becker, Baylor Blau, Briar Carsrud, JoJo Deibert, Everly Froiland, Caitlyn Gustafson, Karver Hanson, Eva Halgerson, Qunicy Holmquist, Denali Jager, Archer Johnson, Rinken Johnson, Cheyenne Klingbile, Shealynn Kopecky, Maleah Mackmiller, Shay McKnight, Jensen Milton, Lila Nash-Keller, Tatum Pedersen, Griffin Runge, Ella Sandager, Elise Skelton, Anson Sogn, Wyatt Werpy, Brailey Westall, Mack Zilverberg

Kindergarten

Ivy Argust, Haven Bush, Dominic Chapman, Emma Cushing, Hattie Diercks, Chloe Halgerson, Wyatt Hendricks, Thea Meyer, Holly Mundson, Walker Werpy, Blakely Splettstoeszer

First Grade

Dawsyn Bain, Macklyn Becker, Eliana Carsrud, Andrew Elliott, Audrey Elliott, Owen Konechne, Delilah Loof, JJ Milton, Baker Nash-Keller, Boone Overby, Maci Prussman, Val Sandager, Zander Ulvestad, Ever Vanderzee, Caroline Wade, Dashel Wenthe

2nd Grade

Sutton Briggs, William Elliott, Caleb Hamann, Evelyn Hanson-McComb, Mirjam Lamb, Gabe Lewis, Brenna Madsen, Connor Madsen, Landon Madsen, Olive Nelson, Alistair Skelton, Bentley Splettstoeszer, Boston Wade, Fatu Zarpeleh

3rd Grade

Roy Argust, Charlie Armentrout, Grady Bain, Brooke Bather, Kuiper Becker, Lincoln Benthin, Savannah Bush, Maverick Chandler, August Daum, Calvin Daum, Joey Exner, Brady Fedeler, Claire Gayne, Tenley Halgerson, Eden Hanson, Kamden Hanson, Gavin Huber, Preston Jager, Jaxon Klingbile, Charlotte Konechne, Brynn McKnight, Easton Morlock, Logan Nagelhout, Beckett Overby, Elise Thompson

4th Grade

Jerrick Anderson, Laken Briggs, Easton Grayson, Jaxon Hendricks, Dawson Jager, Bennett Nash-Keller, Hailey Sandager, Asher Ulvestad, Cormac Wenthe, Corbyn Westall, Addison Winters, Desire Zarpeleh

5th Grade

Maddox Chandler, Ruby Daum, Lucy Diercks, Robert Elliot, Harper Froiland, Bryson Bain, Reba Gayne, Emmett Gustafson, Andrew Hanson, Colton Hendricks, Kelsey Lesher, Bruce Lewis, Hayden Madsen, Lane Nagelhout, Lyle Prussman