



1st Sunday of Christmas

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Confession and Absolution

360 All My Heart Again Rejoices

LSB 360



1 All my heart a - gain re - joic - es As I hear Far and near
2 Hear! The Con - quer - or has spo - ken: "Now the foe, Sin and woe,
3 Should we fear our God's dis - plea - sure, Who, to save, Free - ly gave
4 See the Lamb, our sin once tak - ing To the cross, Suf - f'ring loss,



Sweet - est an - gel voic - es. "Christ is born!" their choirs are sing - ing
Death and hell are bro - ken!" God is man, man to de - liv - er,
His most pre - cious trea - sure? To re - deem us He has giv - en
Full a - tone - ment mak - ing. For our life His own He ten - ders,



Till the air Ev - 'ry - where Now with joy is ring - ing.
And the Son Now is one With our blood for - ev - er.
His own Son From the throne Of His might in heav - en.
And His grace All our race Fit for glo - ry ren - ders.

5 Softly from His lowly manger
Jesus calls
One and all,
"You are safe from danger.
Children, from the sins that grieve
you
You are freed;
All you need
I will surely give you."

6 Come, then, banish all your
sadness!
One and all,
Great and small,
Come with songs of gladness.
We shall live with Him forever
There on high
In that joy
Which will vanish never.

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Introit

When Israel was a child, I | loved him,*
and out of Egypt I | called my son.

Thus says the LORD: "A voice is heard in | Ramah,*
lamentation and bitter | weeping.

Rachel is weeping for her | children;*
**she refuses to be comforted for her children, because
they | are no more."**

Thus says the LORD: "Keep your voice from | weeping,*
and your | eyes from tears,
for there is a reward for your work, de- | clares the LORD,*
and they shall come back from the land of the | enemy.

There is hope for your future, de- | clares the LORD,*
**and your children shall come back to their own |
country."**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

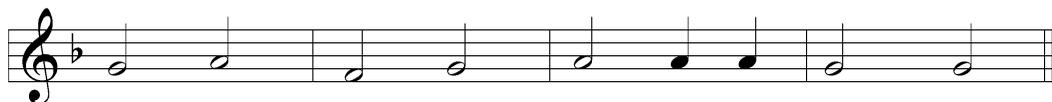
When Israel was a child, I | loved him,*
and out of Egypt I | called my son.

Kyrie

LSB 186



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Hymn

LSB 368



- 1 An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
- 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
- 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun - tains in re - ply, Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav' n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain



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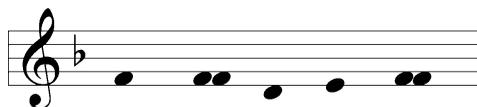
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Salutation and Collect of the Day

Christmas 1



P The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.



☐ Let us pray.

P O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



☐ A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 63:7-14

I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely." And he became their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them. Then he remembered the days of old, of Moses and his people. Where is he who brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of his flock? Where is he who put in the midst of them his Holy Spirit, who caused his glorious

arm to go at the right hand of Moses, who divided the waters before them to make for himself an everlasting name, who led them through the depths? Like a horse in the desert, they did not stumble. Like livestock that go down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest. So you led your people, to make for yourself a glorious name.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 9a, b

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name! The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

Epistle

Galatians 4:4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba!

Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:13-23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

When [the wise men] had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

"A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more."

But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled: "He shall be called a Nazarene."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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 T everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

389 Let All Together Praise Our God

LSB 389



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His
2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an
3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -
4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our



glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To
in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies
at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The
hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His



give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.
in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.
splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.
glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

<p>5 He is a servant, I a lord: How great a mystery! How strong the tender Christ Child's love! No truer friend than He, No truer friend than He.</p>	<p>D7 Your grace in lowliness revealed, Lord Jesus, we adore And praise to God the Father yield And Spirit evermore; We praise You evermore.</p>
<p>6 He is the key and He the door To blessèd paradise; The angel bars the way no more. To God our praises rise, To God our praises rise.</p>	<p>Text (sts. 1, 3–7): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001; (st. 2): tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Text and tune: Nicolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561 Text (sts. 1, 3–7): © 1969 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110004706 Text (st. 2) and tune: Public domain</p>

Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

546 O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild

LSB 546



1	O	Je	-	sus	so	sweet,	O	Je	-	sus	so	mild!	For
2	O	Je	-	sus	so	sweet,	O	Je	-	sus	so	mild!	With
3	O	Je	-	sus	so	sweet,	O	Je	-	sus	so	mild!	Joy

sin - ners You be - came a child. You came from
 God we now are rec - on - ciled. You have for
 fills the world which sin de - filed. What - e'er we
 heav - en down to earth In hu - man flesh through
 all the ran - som paid, Your Fa - ther's righ - teous
 have be - longs to You; O keep us faith - ful,
 hu - man birth. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!
 an - ger stayed. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!
 strong, and true. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!

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Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.**



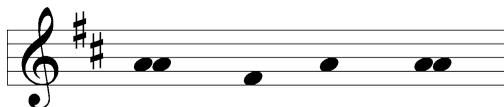
P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

LSB 202



A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

A musical score for the hymn "Amen, amen, amen." It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics "A - men, a - men, a - men." are written below the treble staff.

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362 O Sing of Christ

LSB 362

A musical score for the hymn "O Sing of Christ." It consists of a single treble clef staff. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef.

1 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known The kind-ness of the Lord,
 2 What Ad-am lost, none could re - claim, And Par - a - dise was barred
 3 He came to that which was His own, But He was not re - ceived;
 4 Lord Je - sus Christ, You deigned to dwell A - mong us here on earth

A second musical score for the hymn "O Sing of Christ." It consists of a single treble clef staff. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef.

E - ter - nal Word made flesh and bone So we could be re - stored.
 Un - til the sec - ond Ad - am came To mend what sin had marred.
 Yet still through Him God's glo - ry shone, And some His name be - lieved.
 As God with us, Em - man - u - el, To bring this ho - ly birth.



Up - on our frail hu - man-i - ty God's fin - ger chose to trace
 For when the time was full and right God sent His on - ly Son;
 To these He gave the right to be The heirs of heav'n a - bove,
 Though rich, You will - ing - ly be - came One with our pov - er - ty,



The full-ness of His de - i - ty, The i - con of His grace.
 He came to us as life and light And our re - demp-tion won.
 Born not of hu - man an - ces - try But born of God in love.
 That we might share Your wealth and name For all e - ter - ni - ty!

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Weekly Schedule for December 28- January 4, 2025

28 Today	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
	Bible Class	9:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
	Divine Service	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
	Installation of Officers		
29 Monday	Quilters	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
	Coffee	10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
30 Tuesday			

31 Wednesday	Men's breakfast Pastor/Chair Mtng Compline Service	8:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Denny's Pastors Office Sanctuary
01 Thursday	Midweek Studies 5 Rivers Study	1:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.	Fellowship Hall 5 Rivers
02 Friday			
03 Saturday			
04 Next Sunday	Sunday School Adult Bible Class Divine Service Council Meeting	9.30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall Sanctuary Sanctuary

Christmas Beginning Sunday, December 28, 2025 Christmas 1

Catechism: Creed—Third Article

Verse of the week: Galatians 4:4-5 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Psalm of the week: Psalm 111(antiphon vs. 9a, b)

Hymn of the week: TLH 81 or LSB 372 "O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is My Paradise"

Bible Readings for the Week:

Bible Narrative

Second Reading

Sunday	Christmas 1: The Holy Innocents—Matthew 2:13-23	Galatians 4:4-7
Monday	"Do Not Be Afraid to Go to Egypt"—Genesis 46:1-7	1 Peter 4:12-19
Tuesday	The Ark of the Covenant into the Temple—1 Kings 8:6-13	Romans 12:1-5
Wednesday	New Year's Eve: Luke 12:35-40	Romans 8:31b-39
Thursday	Circumcision and Name of Jesus: Luke 2:21	Galatians 3:23-29
Friday	Simeon Receives the Christ Child—Luke 2:25-32	Isaiah 55:1-13
Saturday	Christmas 2: 1 Kings 3:4-15	Ephesians 1:3-14

Galatians 4:4 – "But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law." Jesus was born under the law so that He might fulfill the law in our place. His perfect righteousness is credited to us. And it is this free forgiveness of sins and this crediting of righteousness that sets us free to follow our Lord in godly living. Since we are freed from the law's condemnation, we are freed from any mercenary attitudes. Now that the Lord has shown His love to us in saving us, we freely show our thanks to Him in generosity, humility and kindness.

December 28 “Look back at how God changed you. Look ahead to what God promises for you. The future looks bright when you’re connected to the crucified and risen Lord Jesus. May the Lord continue to strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life.” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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