

## Second Mid-Week Advent Service 2024

December 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulders, and His name shall be called: **Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.** Of the increase of His government and of peace there will be no end, He will reign on the throne of David and over His kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.*

**Isaiah 9:6–7**

***Mighty God***

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymn:** *“Once He Came in Blessing”* 333 vs.3,4

Soon will come that hour When with mighty power Christ will  
come in splendor  
And will judgment render, With the faithful sharing Joy beyond  
comparing.

Come, then, O Lord Jesus From our sins release us, Keep our hearts believing.

That we, grace receiving, Ever may confess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

**Invocation:** *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!*

P: This is the day the Lord has made: C: *Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting, C: *The name of the Lord is to be praised.*

### **Mid-Advent Litany:**

P: For to us a Child is born C: *To us a Son is given*

P: He is the Promised One C: *He is Savior promised from of old.*

P: He is God's only Son C: *Born of Mary by the power of the Spirit.*

P: He was God in our midst C: *He was the miracle Child come from the Father*

P: He rules as our King C: *He rules us from His throne in heaven*

P: He was the only God- Man C: *He was the only Savior of the world.*

***Tune: 809***

***Verse:*** Wonderful Counselor, God the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth You did come

To bring new life and salvation upon us. You are the blessing of hope evermore.

***Refrain:***

You are the Mighty God You are the Holy One You are the Prince of Peace Savior of all

You are the living God Who came among us, Forever God the Lord Father of all.

***Advent Responsory:***

P: Behold the days are coming says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch **C:** *This is His name by which He shall be called: The Lord is Our Righteousness.*

P: He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. **C:** *This is the name by which He shall be called: The Lord is Our Righteousness.*

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **C:** *This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord is Our Righteousness.*

**Advent Psalm:** *Psalm 89: 8,9, 11, 13-15*

P: "O Lord God Almighty, who is like You? C: *You are mighty, O Lord, and Your faithfulness surrounds You.*

P: You rule over the surging sea; C: *When its waves mount up, You still them.*

P: The heavens are Yours; the earth also is Yours; C: *You founded the world and all that is in it.* P: Your arm is endued with power; C: *Your hand is strong, Your right hand exalted.*

P: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; C: *Love and faithfulness go before You."*

P: Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim You, C: *Who walk in the light of Your presence, O Lord.*

**ALL:** *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen*

**Advent Collect:** Glorious Lord and God, You placed in motion from the Garden, the only means by which man could be saved. Guide us with Your Holy Spirit to grant us wisdom to know and proclaim the wonder of Your Son and the truth of Who He is for all mankind. Help us Lord to continue to grow in our

understanding and may we always bring honor to Your name by witnessing well of Your Son and the salvation He brings; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

**C:** *Amen.*

**Hymn:** *Tune 349*

The Son would be the Child of hope The Child who was God's  
Son

He came to bring His people truth "The mighty loving God."

The Promised One would be a son Born of a virgin mild.  
He came to be among us all Granting His holiness.

The Mighty God, The One true God The blessing of mankind.  
The Child of God who came to be The sacrifice for all.

The Holy Child The Holy One Whose birth would change all  
things

He'd open heaven to all His own He'd bring us life and love.

**O.T. Lesson:** *Zephaniah 3: 14-20*

*“Sing, Daughter Zion; shout aloud, Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, Daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away your punishment, He has turned back your enemy. The LORD, the King of Israel, is with you; never again will you fear any harm. On that day they will say to Jerusalem, “Do not fear, Zion; do not let your hands hang limp. The LORD your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you; He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.” “The sorrows for the appointed feasts I will remove from you; they are a burden and reproach to you. At that time I will deal with all who oppressed you; I will rescue the lame; and I will gather those who have scattered. I will give them praise and honor in every land where they were put to shame. At that time I will gather you; at that time I will bring you home. I will give you honor and praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your fortunes before your very eyes,” says the LORD.”*

**Choir:** *“Waiting for Bethlehem’s Light”*

**Gospel Lesson:** *Luke 1:46-55*

*“And Mary said: “My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has been mindful of the humble state of His servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is His name. His mercy extends to those who fear Him, from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things, but has sent the rich away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and His descendants forever, even as He said to our fathers.”*”

**Hymn:** *“Savior of the Nations Come”* 332 vs. 5, 6, 8

God the Father was His source, Back to God He ran His course.  
Into hell His road went down, Back then to His throne and  
crown.

For You are the Father’s Son Who in flesh the vict’ry won.  
By Your mighty pow’r make whole All our ills of flesh and  
soul.

*Please stand*

Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king,  
Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.

**Sermon** *“His Might for our Salvation”*

**Offerings brought to Altar**

**Prayers**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn:** *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* 357 vs. 3, 5

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**

**Refrain:** Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O  
Israel!



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**

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## **Benediction**

**Choir-** *“May the Love of God Shine Through You”*

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