

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION ZOOM ONLY



P En el nombre del Padre, y del \mp Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo.

C **Amén**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, \mp one God, who alone does wonders,
who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

C **Amen.**

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God for whom we wait,

C **in the presence of one another,
we confess our sin before you.**

We fail in believing that your good news is for us.

We falter in our call to tend your creation.

We find our sense of self in material wealth.

We fear those different from ourselves.

We forget that we are your children

and turn away from your love.

Forgive us, Blessed One,

and assure us again of your saving grace.

Amen.

P God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you!

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, \mp your sins are forgiven.

You are children of the Most High,

inheritors of the eternal promise,

and recipients of divine mercy.

God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

C **Amen.**

Presiding:	Pastor Dorothy Cottingham
Music Director:	Tim Ditch
Lay Assistant:	Jane Hershberger
Cantor:	Paul Gonzales
Tech Assistant:	Jonathan Stolting
Altar Care:	Leanne Klein

GATHERING HYMN

For Ages Women Hoped and Prayed



1. For ag - es wom - en hoped and prayed to bear the a - noint - ed One,
2. Young Ma - ry did not think to hope for mir - a - cles of birth,
3. Our hearts re - joice as Ma - ry's song be - comes our hymn of praise.



both Is - rael's Sav - ior and the world's, the new day's shin - ing sun.
and God chose her to be the one to make Christ's home on earth.
For Christ has come, Em - man - u - el, to claim our years and days.



Did they not know? Did they not guess what pain would then be theirs,
So Ma - ry sang her heart - felt praise of God who sets things straight;
Both pres - ent now and com - ing still, ac - com - plished fact and dream,



if God's a - noint - ed graced their home in an - swer to their prayers?
the might - y fall, the weak are raised, the hun - gry fill their plate.
we join the song that Ma - ry sings, an earth - ly, heaven - ly theme.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C And also with you.

Kyrie for Advent



For-give us, Lord, for times when love was lost, and mo-ments when we
nev-er thought to care, for times when we de-stroy and sub-
due the Word that brings your peo-ple close to you.
For-give, for-give, for-give us all our sins
and help us love so new-ness can be-gin.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

A Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.
You call all nations to walk in your light
and to seek your ways of justice and peace,
for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near.
Bless us as we light the third candle of this wreath.
Rouse us from sleep,
that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes
and welcome him into our hearts and homes,
for he is our light and our salvation.
Blessed be God forever.

C **Amen.**

A READING FROM MICAH, THE 5TH CHAPTER

Micah 5:2-5a

²But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

³Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;

^{5a}and he shall be the one of peace.

A Word of God. Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

LUKE 1:46b-56

^{46b}My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
⁴⁷my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
⁴⁸for you, Lord, have looked with favor on your lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

⁴⁹**you, the Almighty, have done great things for me
and holy is your name.**

⁵⁰You have mercy on those who fear you,
from generation to generation.

⁵¹**You have shown strength with your arm
and scattered the proud in their conceit,**

⁵²**casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.**

⁵³You have filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴**You have come to the aid of your servant Israel,
to remember the promise of mercy,**

⁵⁵**the promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children forever.**

Gospel Acclamation

Cantor: Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *All:* Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *All:* Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: Al - le - lu - ia! *All:* Al - le - lu - ia!

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-45

P El Santo Evangelio según Lucas, capítulo uno.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 1st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (*¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!*)

³⁹In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

P El Evangelio del Salvador.

P The Gospel of the Savior.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (*¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!*)

MESSAGE

Pastor Dorothy

Unexpected and Mysterious



1. Un - ex - pect - ed
2. In a mo - men -
3. We are called to



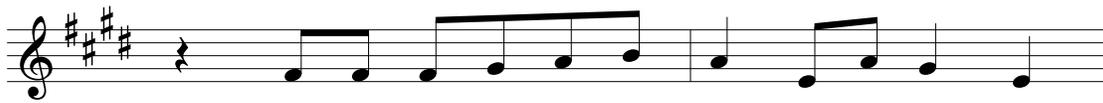
and mys - te - ri - ous is the gen - tle word of grace.
 tar - y meet - ing of e - ter - ni - ty and time,
 pon - der mys - tery and a - wait the com - ing Christ,



Ev - er - lov - ing and sus - tain - ing is the peace of
 Mar - y learned that she would car - ry both the mor - tal
 to em - bod - y God's com - pas - sion for each frag - ile



God's em - brace. If we fal - ter in our cour - age
 and di - vine. Then she learned of God's com - pas - sion,
 hu - man life. God is with us in our long - ing



and we doubt what we have known. God is faith - ful
 of E - liz - a - beth's great joy, and she ran to
 to bring heal - ing to the earth, while we watch with



to con - sole us as a moth - er tends her own.
 greet the wom - an who would rec - og - nize her boy.
 joy and won - der for the prom - ised Sav - ior's birth.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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

A In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

A brief silence.

A Nurturing God, you give us life and care for our every need. Use the church's gifts and ministries for your service, bringing your word to all who seek your transforming grace. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Creator God, you proclaim your boundless love for all that you have made. Renew barren lands, polluted waters, and melting ice caps. Make us servants of your creation that brings forth abundant life. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Righteous God, you bring down the mighty and lift up the lowly. Strengthen those who seek justice. Bless the work of community organizers, activists, journalists, and all who call our attention to imbalances of power. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Compassionate God, you proclaim your love and mercy. Show your lovingkindness to teen parents and those who are pregnant. Comfort any struggling with infertility and those who await test results, are in treatment and hospice care, and others in need, especially: Phil, the Ashenfelter family, Gery, Peggy, Lori P., Gaynelle, Hilde, Greg, Joe, Lori T., Myrna & Jerry, Sandy, Tammy, Del, Cindy, Dale, Peter A., Suzanne, Chris, Wayne B, Hal, Jean B., Jason, Anson, Dawn, and Humphrey. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Gracious God, you fill the hungry with good things. Bless the feeding ministries of this congregation and community. Guide us to share your bounty with those who hunger or live in poverty. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

For what else do the people of God pray...

A Faithful God, you stir up the hearts of those who love you. We give you thanks for those who, like Mary, were courageous in their witness, especially Bev Ashenfelter and Bob Brink. Give us such courage until that day when you fulfill all things. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

C Amen.

P La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you. (*Y también contigo.*)

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEMBER MOMENT

PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C God of our waiting and watching, we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace. Amen

Prepare your tables together.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.



PROPER PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, Ho - ly,
Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. Heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blest is he,
blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life ...
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation

Christ has died; Christ is ris -
en; Christ will come a - gain.

P With this bread and cup we remember your Word...
We look with hope for his coming.

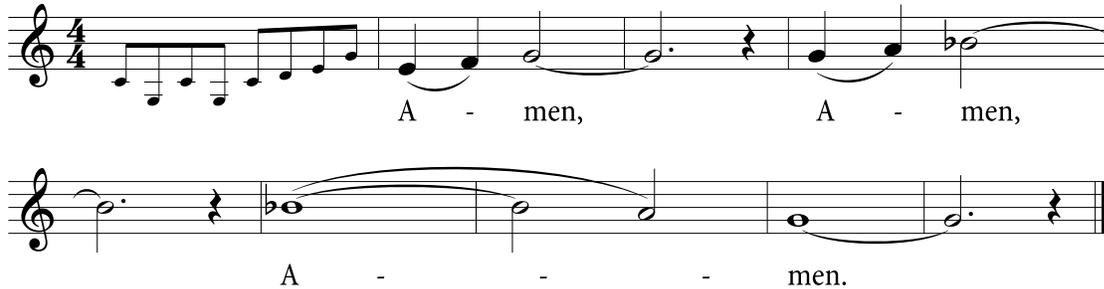
C Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit...
Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C Come Holy Spirit.

P Word of God Incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Great Amen



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.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

P The table is prepared. Come to the feast.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

**C Most High God, you have come among us at this table. By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your word,
sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all, through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest. Amen.**

SENDING BLESSING

P The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning



1. My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you
 3. From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
 4. Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, And my spir - it sings of the
 work great things in me, And your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer-or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, So from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, You will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; There are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, 'Til the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn!

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is near.

C Thanks be to God.

CHRIST THE KING ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENGLISH SERVICE 10:30am ZOOM ONLY.

Time: 10:00am "doors open"

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LOOKING AHEAD TO THE BIBLICAL TEXTS:

The Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 19

Zephaniah 3:14-20, Isaiah 12:2-6, Philippians 4:4-7, Luke 3:7-18

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We extend our sympathy to the family of Bev Ashenfelter who died peacefully at home, on Friday, December 3, 2021. She has been waiting for the Advent of the King and is now at the throne of grace. Thanks be to God. Please ask God to be with Bev's family in the days ahead to sustain them and bring them strength, consolation and peace. A memorial service was held at CTK yesterday, Saturday, December 11, 1pm.

BOOK OF FAITH – Wednesdays, 7pm, Zoom link on website. New study begins January 12, 2022

Jeremiah/Lamentations.

ANTI-RACISM – Thursdays, 7pm, Zoom link on website. Book Study: Will resume January 13, 2022.

ADDITIONAL NOTES: This worship service is being recorded and will be uploaded to Facebook, YouTube, and the church website www.tigardlutherans.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We continue to pray for one another. When you have a prayer request there are several ways you can communicate that with us. One, call the church office, 503.639.2789. Two, send an email to jeannedurbetaki@gmail.com and Jeanne will activate the prayer chain. Three, go to the church's website www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the "How May We Pray For You" button.

GIVING

Four ways to share your tithes and offerings. One, you can mail a check to the church office. Two, you could use your online banking bill pay. Three, you can set up an automatic payment through our third-party giving platform, Vanco (if you need help setting this up, give a call to the church office). Four, you can go to the website www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the "donate" button to make single contributions through Vanco.

Those in our Prayers: *Phil Cornutt, the Ashenfelter family, Gery Sheron, Peggy Piers VanderPloeg, Lori P., Gaynelle Dressel, Hilde Konarzewski, Greg Powers, Joe Scalia, Lori Tacker, Myrna & Jerry Gleason, Sandy Clifton, Tammy Brink, Del Metcalf, Cindy Finnegan, Dale Conley, Peter, Suzanne Metcalf, Chris Rovog, Wayne B, Hal Schmidt, Jean Baker, Jason Carroll, Anson Holt Steele, Dawn Stell, and Humphrey Chai.*

Prayers for the Christian faith communities of Tigard: *Hope Lutheran Church, Pr. Paul Bourman; St James Episcopal Church, Pr Beth Mallon; Laurelwood Baptist Church, Pr Dennis Beatty.*

For Lutheran Faith Communities & Leaders of Oregon: *McMinnville Coop. Ministries, Pr Brennan Guillory; Pr Rebecca Swee; Blue Mountain Cluster, Pr Travis Larsen, Dean*

For the Latino Faith Communities & Leaders: *Emmanuel, Silverton, Pr Manuel Borbon.*

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