



**LORD of LOVE**  
*Lutheran Church*

**MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE**  
**“Behold! Jesus!”**



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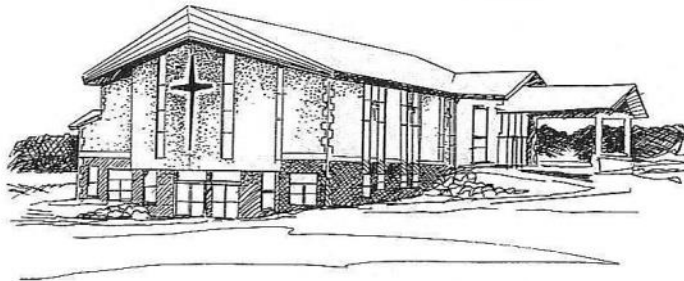
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”**

**Psalm 122:1**



# A Devotion at Close of Day

## *Compline*<sup>1</sup>

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Amen.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

**To sing praise to your name, O Most High,**

To herald your truth in the morning,

**Your truth at the close of day.**

**HYMN: (CW 1)**

**The Advent of Our King (p. 4)**

### CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**We have sinned against you**

**In our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds,**

**And in all we have not done.**

**Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.

**Amen.**

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<sup>1</sup> From *Christian Worship: Hymnal*, p. 246-247 (adapted)

## 1

## The Advent of our King



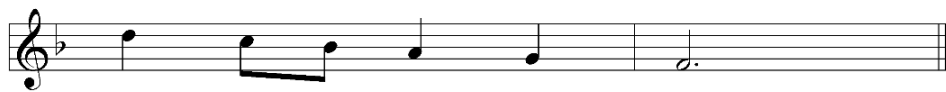
1 The ad - vent of our King Our  
 2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In -  
 3 O Zi - on's Daugh - ter, rise To  
 4 As judge, on clouds of light, He  
 5 Be - fore the dawn - ing Day Let



prayers must now em - ploy,  
 car - nate deigns to be,  
 meet your low - ly King,  
 soon will come a gain  
 sin's dark deeds be gone,



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In  
 Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To  
 Nor let a faith - less heart de - spise The  
 And his true mem - bers all u - nite With  
 The sin - ful self be put a - way, The



strains of ho - ly joy.  
 set his ser - vants free.  
 peace he comes to bring.  
 him in heav'n to reign.  
 new self now put on.

6 All glory to the Son,  
 Who comes to set us free,  
 With Father, Spirit, ever one  
 Through all eternity.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. John Chandler, 1806-76, alt.  
 Tune: ST. THOMAS (SM) Aaron Williams, 1731-76.

To you, O LORD, I will lift up my soul.

**In you I have trusted, O my God.**

Do not let me be put to shame.

**Do not let my enemies triumph over me.**

All who hope in you will never be put to shame,

**but those who are treacherous for no reason will be put to shame.**

Make known to me your ways, O LORD.

**Teach me your paths.**

Make me walk in your truth and teach me,

**because you are the God who saves me.**

In you I hope all day long.

**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and your mercy,**

**for they are from eternity.**

Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways.

**According to your mercy remember me,**

**because of your goodness, O LORD.**

Good and upright is the LORD.

**Therefore, he instructs sinners in the right way.**

He directs the humble to what is just,

**and he teaches the humble his way.**

All the ways of the LORD are mercy and truth

**for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

For the sake of your name, O LORD,

**you forgive my guilt, although it is great.**

Who, then, is the man who fears the LORD?

**The LORD will instruct him in the way he chooses.**

That man will enjoy a good life,  
**and his descendants will possess the land.**

The guidance of the LORD is with those who fear him.  
**His covenant will give them knowledge.**

My eyes are always on the LORD,  
**because he frees my feet from the net.**

Turn toward me and be gracious to me,  
**because I am lonely and afflicted.**

The distress of my heart increases.  
**Bring me out of my anguish.**

See my affliction and my trouble, and take away all my sins.  
**See my enemies—  
how they have increased,  
and how violently they hate me!**

Guard my life and rescue me.  
**Do not let me be put to shame,  
for I have taken refuge in you.**

May integrity and uprightness protect me,  
because I wait for you.  
**Redeem Israel, O God, from all its distress!**

## **PSALM PRAYER**

**M:** O God, compassionate Father and Friend, remember not our sins but rather remember your love and mercy. Relieve our distress and satisfy us with eternal peace through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN (CW 9)**

**Jesus, Your Church with Longing Eyes**

# 9 Jesus, Your Church with Longing Eyes



1 Je - sus, your Church with long - ing eyes For your ex -  
 2 E'en now, when tem - pests round us fall And win - try  
 3 Come, gra - cious Lord, our hearts re - new, Our sins for -  
 4 Oh, come and reign o'er ev - 'ry land; Let Sa - tan  
 5 Teach us in watch - ful - ness and prayer To wait for



pect - ed com - ing waits. When will the prom - ised  
 clouds o'er - cast the sky, Your words with plea - sure  
 give, our foes sup - press, Our root - ed en - mi -  
 from his throne be hurled. Let na - tions bow to  
 your ap - point - ed hour, And fit us by your



light a - rise And glo - ry beam from heav - en's gates?  
 we re - call And know that our re - demp - tion's nigh.  
 ty sub - due, And crown your gos - pel with suc - cess.  
 your com - mand; Let grace re - vive a dy - ing world.  
 grace to share The tri - umphs of your con - qu'ring pow'r.

Text: William H. Bathurst, 1796–1877, abr., alt.

Tune: O JESU CHRISTE, WAHRES LICHT (LM) *Andächtige Haus-Kirche*, Nürnberg, 1676, alt.

## ADVENT DEVOTION

Jeremiah 33:14 (NKJV)

*“Behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “that I will perform that good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.”*

**Behold! Promise Kept!**

## ADVENT LITANY

**M:** A voice cries out in the wilderness;  
 the prophet demanding change:

**C: Prepare the way of the LORD;  
fill in the valleys, level the ridges,  
straighten the crooked, move the mountains.**

**M:** God's glory shall be revealed and every eye shall see it!

**C: Smooth the rough places,  
move the mountains,  
let your glory be displayed!**

**M:** In the wilderness of our cities,  
where so many people jostle without love,  
or get lost in suburbia, where people live anonymous lives  
in luxurious homes and rented rooms,  
and broken men line up at shelters  
for a bed and respite from dereliction –  
in these places,  
Prepare the way of the Lord!

**C: Smooth the rough places,  
move the mountains,  
let your glory be displayed!**

**M:** In the wilderness of half-hearted religion,  
where theological fashions come and go,  
buildings and crowds persist as symbols of status,  
and pomp and show are high on the ratings;  
where evangelism can be considered poor taste,  
prayer and sacrifice as optional extras,  
and even Jesus is feared as "extremist"  
in these places,  
Prepare the way of the Lord!.

**C: Smooth the rough places,  
move the mountains,  
let your glory be displayed!**

**M:** Voice in the wilderness, what shall we do?  
Prophet of the Lord, what is the word?



**C: “Turn, turn, turn to the Lord.”**

**M: You who have two suits, give one to the naked;  
if you eat well, share with the hungry;  
in business and authority, deal with compassion –  
and be ready for the One who comes with fire.”**

**In this way,  
Prepare the way of the Lord!**

**C: Smooth the rough places,  
move the mountains,  
let your glory be displayed!**

## **LORD’S PRAYER**

**C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **SONG OF SIMEON**

**In peace, Lord, you let your servant now depart  
according to your word.**

**For my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared for every people,  
A light to lighten the Gentiles  
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Let us praise the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## BLESSING

The almighty and merciful Lord – the Father, the (+) Son, and the Holy Spirit – bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN (CW 6)

## Come, O Long-Expected Jesus

### ADVENT

## 6 Come, O Long-Expected Jesus



1 Come, O long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, Born to set your peo - ple free;  
2 Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child and yet a king,



From our sins and fears re - lease us By your death on Cal - va - ry.  
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now your gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's Strength and Con - so - la - tion, Hope to all the earth im - part,  
By your own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.  
By your all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88, alt.  
Tune: ST. HILARY (87 87 D) Unknown.

The Advent Litany is adapted from *Australian Accents*  
(Lutheran Publishing House: Adelaide, 1988), by Bruce D. Pewer and Aub Podlich

## Wednesday December 1: Advent Worship 6:30 pm

### Serving us this evening:

- Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Ava Wilson
- Usher: Dave Olson and Ben Olson
- Altar Guild: Sally Kaalberg
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

Join us for our next Advent services:

## Wednesday December 8 & 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

### Advent by Candlelight

#### Sunday December 5 at 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Ladies of the congregation are invited to Advent by Candlelight hosted by Zion Lutheran – Leeds (W6906 Co. Rd. K, Arlington). The afternoon includes music, desserts and a time to focus our attention on the season of Advent.

To attend, please sign up at the back of church or contact the church office. Lord of Love has been asked to provide deserts for the event. If you can bring a dessert, please indicate on the sign up sheet.

Ladies are welcome to join them in two group songs that will be sung during the program. #707 *Peace Came to Earth* and *O Holy Night*. This is not an expectation, but if you enjoy singing - you are invited to join in. If you want to practice beforehand, they are warming up around 2:30 at the church. (You don't need to practice to join in.) The more joyful voices the better.



**The Giving Tree:** The giving tree has a few more tags left on it. We are providing gifts to 6 children in our community (3 gifts for each child). To participate, select an item to purchase from the tree. Gifts should not exceed \$30 each. Gifts should be returned to church **by Wednesday December 8 and should be unwrapped.** (The DeForest Area Needs Network determines the families/children who will participate in the program. Families suggest gifts their child would like or need.)

