

December 18, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Advent

9:30 AM



Immanuel Has Entered!

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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***

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Pastor's Greeting:



Hymn: *Come, O precious Ransom, Come* CW₉₃ 8 Stz 1-4

>1 Come, O pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly Hope for
>2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and
3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -
4 Hail, ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Help, Lord; hear our

sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!
Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,
ceive, I pray you. Ev - er - more, as best I can,
sup - pli - ca - tion! Let your king - dom, scep - ter, crown

O - pen are to you all por - tals. Come, your beau - ty
Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es
Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay you, And in faith I
Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion That for - ev - er

let us view; Anx - ious - ly we wait for you.
will be mine When you are my guest di - vine!
will em - brace, Lord, your mer - it through your grace.
we may sing Hail, ho - san - na! to our King.

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Hymn: *Come, O precious Ransom, Come* CW₉₃ 8 Stz 1–4

Confession and Absolution

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: O Lord, open my lips

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

L: Hasten to save me, O God.

C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

L: You are the King of heaven and earth.

C: We give you praise and thanks. Alleluia!

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

All: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: AMEN

L: Come, let us sing to the Lord,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

L: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,

C: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

L: For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand;

C: The heights of the hills are also his,

L: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God,

C: We are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. AMEN

Prayer of the Day

L: Lord God, Ruler of heaven and earth, cleanse our lives and purify our hearts so that your Son, the King of glory, may enter in and lead us rejoicing to your heavenly city, where with the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson:

Isaiah 7:10–14 (NIV 84)

¹⁰ The LORD spoke to Ahaz, king of Judah, saying to him ¹¹ “Ask the LORD your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights.”

¹² But Ahaz said, “I will not ask; I will not put the LORD to the test.” ¹³ Then Isaiah said, “Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of men? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel. This is the Word of our God

CW₉₃ Psalm 24

2nd Lesson:

Romans 1:1–6 (NIV 84)

¹ Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— ² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures ³ regarding his Son, who as to his human nature was a descendant of David, ⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. ⁵ Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith. ⁶ And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. This is the Word of the Lord.

Hymn: *Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes* **CW₉₃ 12** (NCW 313) **Stz 1–4**



1 Hark the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior prom-ised long;
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's bond-age held;
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed-ing soul to cure,
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, your wel - come shall pro-claim,



let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song.
the gates of brass be - fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
and with the trea - sures of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
and heav'n's e - ter - nal arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.

Gospel:

Matthew 1:18–25 (NIV 84)

¹⁸ This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

²³ “The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, “God with us.”

²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord

C: *Praise be to you, O Christ!*

Hymn: *Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring* **CW₉₃ 26** (NCW 319) **Stz 1–4**

1 Je - sus came, the heav'ns a - dor - ing, Came with peace from
 2 Je - sus comes a - gain in mer - cy When our hearts are
 3 Je - sus comes to hearts re - joic - ing, Bring - ing news of
 4 Je - sus comes on clouds tri - um - phant When the heav'ns shall

realms on high; Je - sus came to win re - demp - tion,
 worn with care; Je - sus comes a - gain in an - swer
 sins for - giv'n; Je - sus comes with words of glad - ness,
 pass a - way. Je - sus comes a - gain in glo - ry;

Low - ly came on earth to die, Al - le - lu - ia!
 To an ear - nest, heart - felt prayer, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Lead - ing souls re - deemed to heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let us, then, our hom - age pay, Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Comes to save us from de - spair.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Hope to all the world is giv'n.
 ev - er sing - ing Till the dawn of end - less day.

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Apostles' Creed: *(together we confess)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

***I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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 everlasting. Amen***

Prayer: Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the burden of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of your holy birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always; these things we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

***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!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen

Hymn: *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*..... **CW₉₃ 18 (NCW 324) Stz 1–2**

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1 O Lord, how shall I meet you, How wel- come you a - right?
2 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; Love brought you down to me.

Your peo - ple long to greet you, My Hope, my heart's De - light.
Your thirst for my sal - va - tion Pro - cured my lib - er - ty.

O Je - sus, let your Word be A lamp to light my way,
Oh, love be - yond all tell - ing That led you to em - brace

To show me how to please you, To guide me ev - 'ry day.
In love, all love ex - cel - ling, Our lost and fall - en race!

B Dize is now with her Lord. On December 10, 2022, somewhat unexpectedly, the Lord called to himself the soul of Debora “B” Dize. Let us ask the Lord to provide comfort and peace to her friends and family as we grieve this loss.

The **Family of B Dize** wish to thank the members and friends of Atonement for their support and encouragement during this difficult time.

Audrey Gerlach is doing better and is thankful for all your prayers. She is waiting for additional medical results before other decisions can be made. We ask the Lord to shine his light on her and give patience to her as she waits.

Nancy Witzel continues to suffer the effects of COPD and congestive heart failure. Nancy is back living in her apartment. She has been enrolled with Hospice Care. Send correspondences to:

Mrs. Nancy Witzel, Apt 10H
6811 Campfield Road
Baltimore, MD 21207

Christmas Hand Bell Practice each Sunday at 10:30am



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Date		Time	Streaming	Music	Usher #1	Comm.
December						
Sun Adv 4	18	9:30 AM	Mark F	Jessica O.	Scott. S	
Wed Adv 4	21	7:00 PM	Audrey/Jessica	Paul T.	Bob B.	
Sat Christ Eve	24	7:00 PM	Audrey/Jessica.	Sam M.	Scott S.	
Su Christ Day	25	9:30 AM	Megan K.	Jessica O.	Mark F	Dan M.

December Birthdays:

- 2 Elias Backes
- 7 Tiffany Williams
- 11 Jessica Orth
- 13 Pastor Newton Trimmer
- 20 John Wittmershaus
- 29 Nate Potter
- 31 Larry Galbreath

2022 Cleaning Volunteers for Both the Church and the Fellowship Hall
Cleaning may be done any day and time during the week preceding the date indicated below. Thank you.

- December 17 K Kellner, C Rogers, P Taylor
- January 7 Pieper & Schweitzer Families
- January 21 Kassebaum Family
- February 4 Gerlach Family
- February 18 Galbreath Family and J Orth