

Midweek Advent Worship
Wednesday, November 30, 2022
7:00 p.m. Worship

+ Celebrating God's Love - Serving in Jesus' Name +

Holy Presence - Releasing

PRELUDE

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

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WELCOME

HYMN

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah

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Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra - el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: O God of freedom, there are so many other things that we cling to and that demand our focus. We fear the disruption of change and hold fast to the very things that cause us grief. Yet your promise assures us that we find all we need in you. Be with us and all your people in this season and guide us so that we may set aside all that distracts us from you. In the name of the Holy One who was, is, and is to come. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 146:5-10

HYMN

Drawn to the Light

No. 593

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:1-18

REFLECTION

Releasing

Pastor Taylor

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: I give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected me today. I ask you to forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously to protect me tonight. Into your hands I commend myself: my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Sung to tune of *Away in a Manger*)

**Our Father in heaven, all praise to Your name!
Your kingdom among us, Your will done the same
By mortals and angels. Come, Lord, reign alone;
O hear us and bless us from heaven's high throne.**

**The bread that we yearn for provide us each day;
As we forgive others, our sins take away;
In times of temptation, to lead us be near;
From evil deliver Your children most dear.**

**For Yours is the kingdom; o'er all things You reign.
And Yours is the power, all things You maintain.
To You be the glory, resounding again
From all of creation, forever! Amen.**

BENEDICTION (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

Pastor: May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!