

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

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Divine Worship. 7pm

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MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

December 1, 8, 15, 2021

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: (Bulletin Back)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: “Amen.” (Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: “who made heaven and earth.” (Psalm 124:8)

P: “If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: “But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

P: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking his grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (Luke 18:13)

C: “Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.”

P: “Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, Holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayers and praise; through Your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.”

C: “Amen.”

All (Sung): Come, Thou precious Ransom, come, Only Hope for sinful mortals! Come, O Savior of the world! Open are to Thee all portals. Come, Thy beauty let us see; Anxiously we wait for Thee.

Enter now my waiting heart, Glorious King and Lord most holy. Dwell in me and ne'er depart, Though I am but poor and lowly. Ah, what riches will be mine When Thou art my Guest Divine!

SCRIPTURE LESSON (S): (Bulletin Back)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: “Thanks be to God.”

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

“My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever.” (Luke 1:46-48a,49-55)

THE MAGNIFICAT

HYMN: (Bulletin Back)

THE SERMON:

SLOWING DOWN FOR CHRISTMAS

Slowing Down our Worldliness

Slowing our Wrath

Slowing our Anxiety

Titus 2:11-14

James 1:19-20

Luke 2:10-11

OFFERINGS/PRAYERS

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous Judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, and justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life.”

Congregation: “Yet in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.”

HYMN: (Bulletin Back)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: (TLH 653)

**Now the light has gone away; Father, listen while I pray,
Asking Thee to watch and keep And to send me quiet sleep.**

**Jesus, Savior, wash away All that has been wrong today;
Help me every day to be Good and gentle, more like Thee.**

**Let my near and dear ones be Always near and dear to Thee.
Oh, bring me and all I love To Thy happy home above.**

**Now my evening praise I give; Thou didst die that I might live.
All my blessings come from Thee; Oh, how good Thou art to me!
Thou, my best and kindest Friend, Thou wilt love me to the end.
Let me love Thee more and more, Always better than before. Amen.**

SLOWING DOWN FOR CHRISTMAS

Midweek Advent Worship 2021

DECEMBER 1, 2021 -- SLOWING OUR WORLDLINESS

Psalm: 96 (TLH 144) • **Hymns:** 76 85:9-13 430:1-4, 7-8

Scripture Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-16

Sermon Text: Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹²training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

DECEMBER 8, 2021 – SLOWING OUR WRATH

Psalm: 103 (TLH 153) • **Hymns:** 99 412 73

Scripture Lesson: James 1:21-27

Sermon Text: James 1:19-20 (ESV)

¹⁹Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

DECEMBER 15, 2021 – SLOWING OUR ANXIETY

Psalm: 70 (TLH 138) • **Hymns:** 66 64 77:1-8

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 37:1-20

Sermon Text: Luke 2:10-11 (ESV) –

¹⁰And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.



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