



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

9 am In -Person Sunday Worship, November 28, 2021

First Sunday of Advent

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

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Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Welcoming Music

Rejoice, Rejoice

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ELW #242

Invocation

Pastor: In this holy season of Advent, we are gathered in worship in the name of the Father, \oplus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Opening Song

Here I am to Worship

CCLI#3266032

Tim Hughes

Advent Candle Lighting

Pastor: At every beginning there is a yearning for the one who is coming.

All: O Emmanuel,

Wake us up to your coming.

Pastor: We gather together to expect the unexpected and imagine the unimaginable.

All: O Emmanuel,

Wake us up to your coming.

Pastor: We wait for the day when God will recycle tanks into tractors and transform minefields into soccer fields.

All: O Emmanuel,

Wake us up to your coming.

Pastor: We stay awake by telling stories that offer a glimmer of a future and agitate dormant hope within us.

All: O Emmanuel,

Wake us up to your coming.

Pastor: Jesus, we welcome your presence now



with the lighting of this candle,
whose flame brings warmth to winter
and fills this place with the glow of hope.
All: Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Now the Feast and Celebration
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ELW #167

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Special Music

Waiting Here for You
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Jesse Reeves, Martin Smith, and Chris Tomlin

Word: God Speaks to Us in Scriptures and Prayer

Reading: Jeremiah 33:14 -16

In the Old Testament, "righteousness" often has to do with being faithful in relationship. God acts righteously both in punishing Israel for its sin and in having mercy. In today's reading, Jerusalem's future name —"The LORD is our righteousness" —proclaims that God is even now working salvation for Israel.

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All : Thanks be to God.



Children's Message

Historical First Class of Girl Eagle Scouts Recognition & Blessing: Katie Hunter, Sarah Johnson, Victoria Spafford, Annelise Sienknecht

Gospel Acclamation

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v.1)
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ELW #257

O Come O Come Emmanuel
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to you, O Israel.

Gospel: Luke 21:25 -36

God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.

Pastor: The good news of Jesus Christ according to the gospel of Luke the twenty-first chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

Pastor: [Jesus said:] ²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the



whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!
All: Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

“Jesus is Coming - Look Busy!” based upon Luke 21:25 -36 by Pastor Lydia Posselt

Hymn of the Day

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn
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Apostles' Creed

All: 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

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



A brief silence.

Pastor: God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await births, deaths, divorces, new unions, new jobs, retirements, healing, and life transitions of every kind. We pray for... Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural disasters, for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: 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.

All: Amen.

Peace



Pastor: Beloved of God in Christ, the peace of the Risen Lord be with you always !

All: And also with you.

Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at www.elcvienna.org/give or mailed into the church. For those joining us on Facebook, we encourage you to share the peace and greetings in the chat section. For those worshipping with us in person, please make your offering as you exit the sanctuary at the end of the service. Thank you for your generosity!

Offering Music

Even So Come
CCLI #7036288

Tomlin, Ingram, Cates

Meal: Jesus Gives Us Forgiveness and Life

Holy Communion Words of Institution

Pastor: We remember that in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Pastor: And again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**All: 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.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God!
All: Thanks be to God!

Communion Instructions

All are invited to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Wafers will be handed out, or pre-sealed wafer and juice sets are available along with gluten-free wafers. We also have goldfish and a blessing for our non-communicating children. You are also welcome to pray at the communion rail after you have been communed.

Communion Music

One Bread, One Body
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ELW #496

Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World

Blessing

Pastor: 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.

All: Amen.

Sending Song

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
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ELW #254



Sending

Leader: Go in peace, and share the good news!

All: We will --thanks be to God!

Recessional Music

The Blessing
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Brown, Carnes, Jobe, Furtick

Thank you so much for worshipping with us!