



Welcome to
Worship at Bethel

Sunday, December 22, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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*“A Family in Christ;
Moved by His Spirit;
Sharing His Love.”*

*: Please stand if you are able.
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)
WOV: With One Voice (blue)

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Reading
"Light One Candle"

*GATHERING HYMN LBW # 59
"When Christmas Morn Is Dawning"

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS LBW p.77

*HYMN OF MERCY
"Emmanuel"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the hindrance of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of Your birth, that we may receive You in joy and serve You always; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Pew Bible page 623
Isaiah 7:10-16

PSALM Pew Bible page 529
Psalm 80:1-7,17-19

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might, and come to save us!

Restore us, O God; **let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

You have fed them with the bread of tears,
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

You make us the scorn of our neighbors;
our enemies laugh among themselves.

Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.

Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.

Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

SECOND LESSON

Pew Bible page 1024

Romans 1:1-7

*GOSPEL VERSE

"Hallelu, Hallelu"

*GOSPEL

Pew Bible page 877

Matthew 1:18-25

SERMON HYMN

WOV # 627

"My Lord, What a Morning"

SERMON

Rev. Mark Kindem

*NICENE CREED

LBW p. 84

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the

forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

OFFERING

WOV # 644

“Away in a Manger”

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Giver of every good thing, we set before You the gifts that You have already given to sustain our lives and to share with others. Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it, and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast You prepare for all who hunger. Amen.

COMMUNION

LBW p. 89

*Word’s of Institution, *Lord’s Prayer, Distribution

COMMUNION HYMNS

“What a Beautiful Name”

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

LBW # 41

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God of abundance, we give You thanks that in this holy meal You have invited us to feast with You and one another. May the taste of Your love remain with us, and may our words and our work in Your name invite others into Your bountiful grace. Send us from Your table to proclaim Your presence, even as we await the glorious coming of Christ our Savior. Amen.

***BLESSING:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

***DISMISSAL:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***SENDING HYMN**

LBW # 45

“Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful” v.1-3