

Wittenberg Lutheran Church

711 W Elm St., Norwood Young America, Minnesota 55368

Worship: 9:30 AM

Second Sunday in Advent

December 17, 2017

Order of Service

Divine Service, Rite Two, Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary, p. 60

Opening Hymn, 88 — *Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come*

Introit

Antiphon, Philippians 4:4–6

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice: Let your gentleness be known to all men: the Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing: but in everything, by prayer and supplication, let your requests be made known to God.

Psalm 85:1, 2, 6, 8

Lord, You have been | fáv' rable tó Your land;

You have brought back the capti- | vity' of Jácob.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Hóly Spírit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | éver shall be,

- world | withóut end. Ámen.

Repeat Antiphon

The Kyrie — *I, p. 63*

The Gloria

The Collect

Lord God, heavenly Father, who permitted Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to become man, and to come into the world, that He might destroy the works of the devil, deliver us poor offenders from sin and death, and give us everlasting life: We beseech You so to rule and govern our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may seek no other refuge than His word, and thus avoid all offense to which, by nature, we are inclined, in order that we may always be found among the faithful followers of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and by faith in Him obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 40:1–11

Prepare the way of the Lord

Gradual — *Psalm 80:1–2*

You who dwell between the | chérubím, shine forth!

- | Stír up Your stréngth and come!

Give ear, O | Shépherd of Ísrael,

You who lead | Jóseph líke a flock.

The Psalm

Psalm 85

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 4:1–5
He who judges is the Lord

Verse — *Psalm 80:2*

Alleluia.*

Alleluia.

Stir | up Your strength,

and come and save us! | Alleluia.

Alleluia

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 11:2–11
John's message to Jesus

The Nicene Creed

Chief Hymn, 106 — *On Jordan's Bank the Herald's Cry*

Sermon

The Offertory

The Prayer of the Church, page 96

The Service of Holy Communion

Exhortation to the Communicants (page 77)

The Preface (page 72)

The Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

When the elements of the Lord's Supper are presented to the congregation, it is appropriate to venerate the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ who is present with us in the bread and wine, with reverent actions such as crossing oneself, genuflecting, or bowing the head.

The Agnus Dei

The Distribution

Nunc Dimittis

Collect

Hymn, 102 — *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*

Benediction

Closing Hymn, 582 — *God of Mercy, God of Grace*

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS in the name of Jesus Christ! Wittenberg Lutheran Church confesses and practices the doctrine of Holy Scripture, as we have received it restored unto us by Luther, and confirmed in the public confessions of our Church, the Book of Concord, 1580. If you have any questions about the Lutheran faith, or about our congregation, please direct them to Pastor Diers.

*Giving thanks to God always, Who has chosen us for salvation
through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.*

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