

Sunday Worship - Minneapolis Campus

November 28, 2021

Liturgists: 9am Pastor MacLean, 10 and 11am Pastor Kalland

The Prelude

Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying

J. S. Bach

(Please stand when invited)

The Processional Hymn

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art, dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king; born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen. (Please sing)

The Confession of Sins and Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen. (Please sing)

Pastor: St. John writes, "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:8-9). And so we gather to confess our sin, not because we fear God thinks us unworthy, but because we trust God's promise to receive us always in mercy and grace. Let us therefore pray together with confidence...

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen. (Please sing)

Pastor: Almighty God, in mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, God gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. All this is promised in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: **Amen.** (*Please sing*)

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you. (Please sing)

Pastor and Congregation: Dear God, you have promised grace, redemption, and peace through your Son. Let us live in the light of this promise, committed to working for a world where peace is achieved through equity, where the strong protect the weak, and where all are accorded dignity and grace. In Jesus' name, **Amen.** (*Please sing*)

(Please be seated)

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Pastor: To us a child has been given, unto us a Son is born, Jesus the light of the world.

Congregation: And the spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

The Hymn of the Season

Savior of the Nations, Come

263:1

Savior of the nations, come; virgin's son, make here your home. Marvel now, O heav'n and earth: God has chosen such a birth.

The Scripture Reading

Isaiah 11:1-9

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

The Gradual Hymn

People, Look East

248:1

People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.

People, look east, and sing today—Love, the Guest, is on the way.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 1:26-33

Glory to you, O Lord. (Please stand as you are able and sing)

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,

and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Praise to you, O Christ. (Please sing)

The Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

(Please be seated)

The Welcome

The Offertory Anthem

Gloria Fanfare

Jerry Estes

Cathedral Choir - 9 and 10am

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Mark Shepperd

Senior Choir - 11am

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Offertory Prayer

What Child is This

296:3

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him. Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby; joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!

(Please be seated)

The Pulpit Hymn

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

249:1

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh; awake and hearken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings!

The Sermon

Pastor Freeman

From the House of David

The Baptismal Service

(Held during the 11am service)

The following will be named children of God and receive the promise of forgiveness, life, and salvation in Christ through the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Simon Mark and Henry Raymond Balogh, sons of Sarah and Kenneth Milo Morley Henjum, son of Maggie and Alison Eloise Patricia Stern, daughter of Chloe and Theodore

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Closing Hymn

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

244:4

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear; arise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere. With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see the day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Sending Prayer

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

(Please pause for a moment of silent prayer)

The Postlude People, Look East

Michael Bedford

Thank you for worshiping with us!

If you have questions about the ministries of Mount Olivet Church, we would love to speak with you at the Information Desk in the narthex.

Holy Communion is offered at 8:30am and following the 11am service each Sunday.

Pastors

David J. Lose, Senior Pastor Kurt P. Kalland, Monica M. Hammersten, William B. MacLean, Charlie R. Ruud, Mark J. Dixon, Rebecca C. Freeman

Worship & Music Staff

Beverly Claflin, Director of Worship and Music and Senior and Cathedral Choirs Richard Owen, Principal Organist

November Altar Flower Dedications

In memory of Richard Calvin Marshall on the anniversary of his birthday, by Marcia Marshall and family

In memory of and with thanksgiving for parents and grandparents Bertil and Vera Johnson, by Dee and Courtney Henderson

In memory of Catherine L. Bowler and Robert C. Bowler, by Rebecca C. Bowler In memory of Marie MacNally, by Tom and Mardi MacNally In memory of Ben Blat, by Amy Hyatt

In memory of Paul Bardal on the anniversary of the Marine Corps 246th birthday, by his wife Mary Bardal

In memory of Bruce Tate, by Hannah and Linda Tate and family In memory of our little boy Issaiah Carl on what would be his 19th birthday, by Carl and Deena Radde

In memory of Rick Moore, by Jan Unstad

In memory of Arthur and Adela Linrud and in thanksgiving for Ted, Chloe, and Eloise Stern, Erica Adele Stern and Jeremy Funk, by Peggy Linrud In memory of Gerald V. Dow, by his daughter and her family Jayne, Curtis and Gillian Larkin

In memory of Deloris and William Kaphings and Helen and Stanley Nerhaugen, by Mary and Thomas Kaphings

In memory of Pastor Tim Fuzzey on his 77th birthday, given by his family
In memory of Marion and Forrest Schoeller, by Jon, Kim, Megan & Molly Kimball
In memory of Brian Cravens, by Mary Cravens

In celebration of John O'Shea on his birthday, by Nancy, Emily, and Maren O'Shea In celebration of Dawn, on her birthday

In celebration of Genevieve, on her birthday

In celebration of ten years of recovery, by the grace of God, for J.P. In honor of Veterans Day

In thanksgiving for pastors and staff and for my families, by Carol Skaar

If you would like to donate to the Flower Fund please contact Nancy Nelson at nnelson@mtolivet.org or 612.767.2264.