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TRADITIONAL SERVICE
DECEMBER 11/12, 2021
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcome to Worship

We are delighted that you are worshipping with us at Zion! As we worship there will still be some changes as to how we worship but know we still give thanks to our abiding God. If you would like more information contact us at www.zionanoka.org.

PREACHING:

Pastor Brent Campbell

PRESIDING:

5 PM Greg Bergeron
8 AM Pr Mike Rueckert
9 AM Pr Sue Wallager

READER:

5 PM Greg Bergeron
8 AM Marcia Wilson
9 AM Ken Johnson

MUSICIANS: Saturday: Katie Thompson, organist/pianist
Sunday: Mary Jo Gothmann, organist/pianist
Jonathan Campbell, vocalist

Order of Service

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION FOUNDATION UPDATE (5:00 PM)

CANDLE LIGHTING LITANY:

SONG: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #257 vs. 1

**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.**



Third Sunday of Advent

Litany:

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

O Emmanuel, open us up to your coming.

We gather together to allow our deeply held hopes to be reshaped by God's promises.

O Emmanuel, open us up to your coming.

We wait for the day when God will make for us a future that no longer affirms our fear.

O Emmanuel, open us up to your coming.

We find a new receptivity within us that desires God's will over our own will and relies on God's justice and mercy to accomplish it.

O Emmanuel, open us up to your coming.

Jesus, we welcome your presence now with the lighting of these candles, whose flames bring warmth to winter and fill this place with the glow of hope. **Amen.**

Light three candles

SONG: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #257 vs. 4

**O come, O Branch of Jesse, free your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save, and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Blessed be God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Silent Reflection

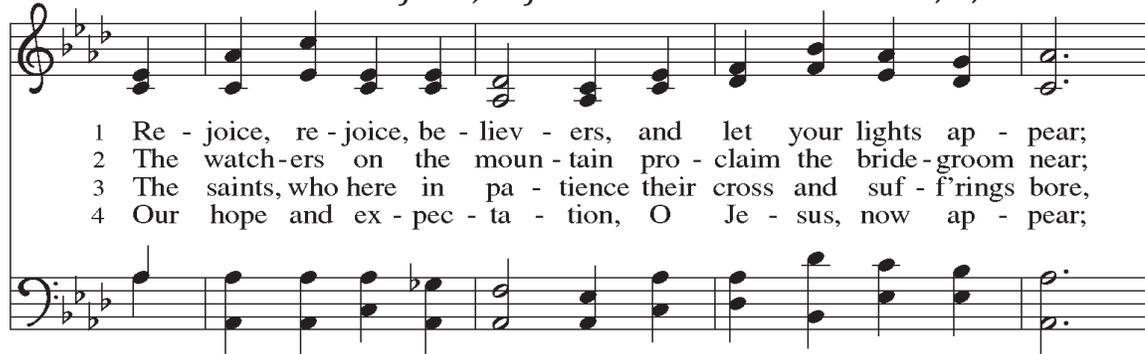
Ever present God,

How hard it is to wait for you. We long for the stillness of a holy night; we eagerly want to feel again the radiant joy of your birth. And, we want peace on earth and peace in our families to last longer than a day. We have harbored resentments, cherished possessions, ignored others, and defended our errors. Teach us to wait hopefully and expectantly and not lose sight of our confidence in you.

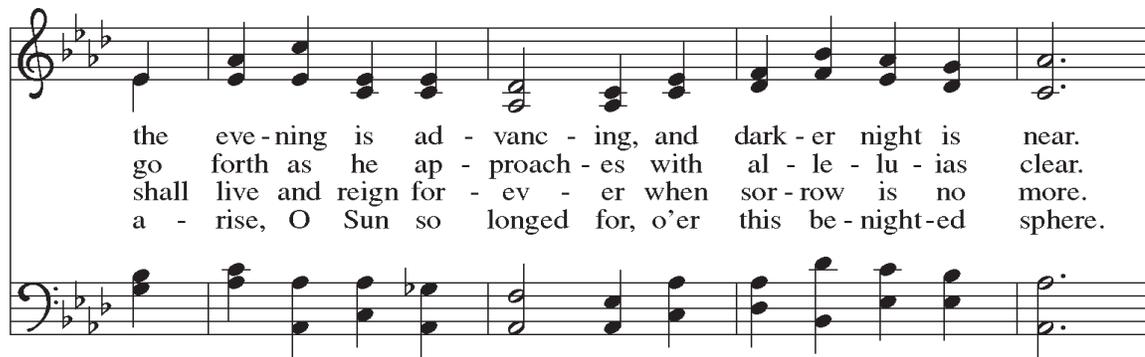
People of God, hear this glad news: by God's endless grace your sins are forgiven, and you are free—free from all that holds you back and keeps you entrenched. You are free to live in the peaceable realm of God. May you be strengthened in God's love, † comforted by Christ's peace, and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

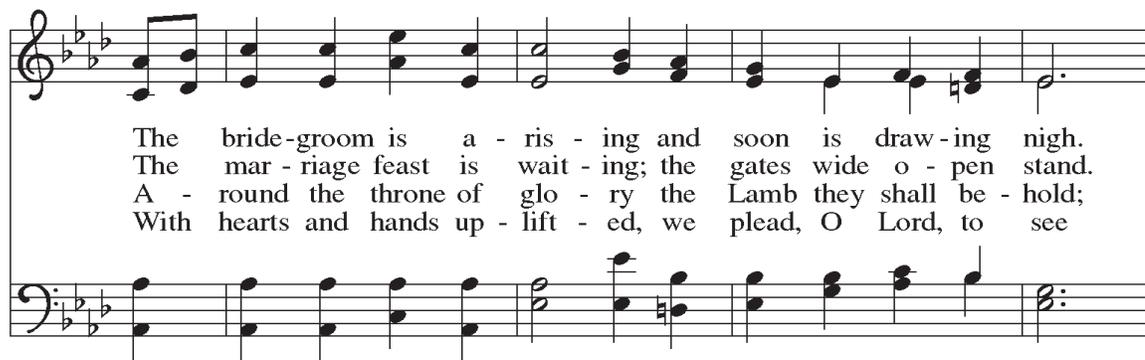
GATHERING SONG: *Rejoice, Rejoice Believers* #244 vs. 1, 3, & 4



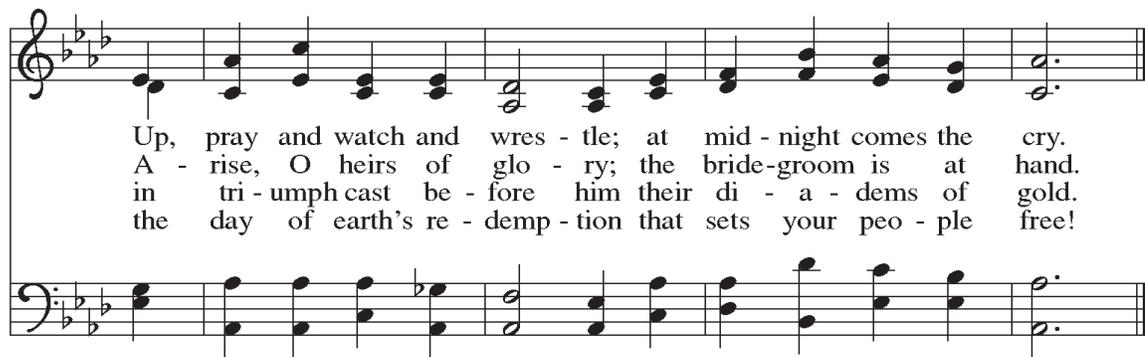
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring bore,
4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!



Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907
Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

GREETING:

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, our Prince of Peace, our Mighty God, and our Wonderful Counselor, who is and was and is to come.

Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

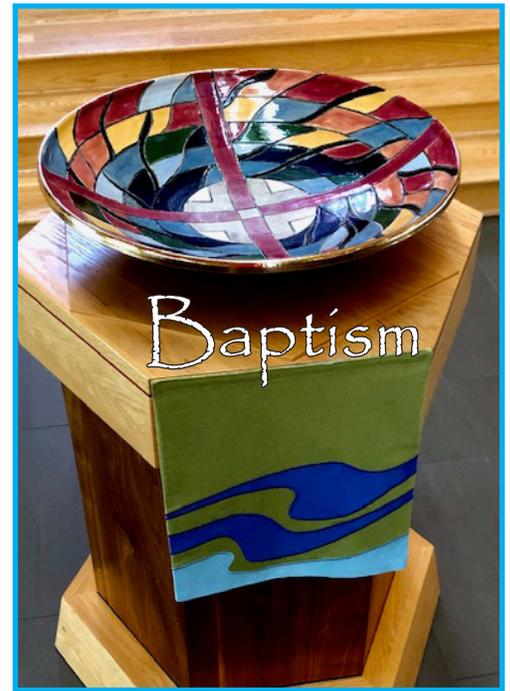
Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the preaching of John, that, rejoicing in your salvation we may bring forth the fruits of your repentance; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God now and forever. **Amen.**

BAPTISM (5 PM): Penelope Kay Schmidt

WORD FOR KIDS (9 AM)

1ST LESSON: Philippians 4:4-7

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Wait for the Lord* #262



Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Wait for the Lord". It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system has the lyrics "Wait for the Lord, whose day is near." and the second system has "Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!". The music is in G major and 4/4 time.

Text: Taizé Community
Music: WAIT FOR THE LORD, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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THE SERMON TEXT:

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 3:7-18

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON *"The Source of True Joy"*
by Pastor Brent Campbell



HYMN OF THE DAY: *Joy to the World* #267 vs. 1, 2 & 4

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 No more let sin, and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -

room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
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 ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,



Joy
to the
World

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
 Music: English melody,
 18th Cent.;
 arr. Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

THE APOSTLES' CREED (8 & 9 AM):

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come...

Amen. Come Lord Jesus.



SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)

OFFERING | SPECIAL MUSIC - (5 PM & 8 AM)

Come, Thou Almighty King (based on the hymn tune Italian Hymn); arr. Lloyd Larson;
Ringmasters Bell Choir; Michael Hiatt, dir.

OFFERING | SPECIAL MUSIC - (9 AM)

The Last Words of David; by Randall Thompson;

Zion Adult Choir; Dr. Jonathan Campbell; dir.; Mary Jo Gothmann, piano

He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God. And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. Alleluia. Amen.

OFFERTORY: *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* #247 vs. 4

O - so - sŏ o - so - sŏ, pyong - hwa - ũi - im - gŭm
1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.

u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sŏ.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.



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tr. Marion Pope
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

DISTRIBUTION:

If you are worshipping at home, prepare the table with bread or a cracker and wine or grape juice. If you are worshipping in-person, peel back the first layer of plastic for the bread. For the wine peel back the second layer.

Take the bread in your hands and hear the word of Jesus:

The body of Christ, broken for you. Now receive the bread.

Take the cup and hear again the word of Jesus:

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Now drink the cup.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Gracious and abundant God, you have done great things for us, and we rejoice. In this bread and cup you give us life forever. In your boundless mercy, strengthen us and open our hearts to the world's needs, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION:

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.

Amen.



The Sacraments of the church are God's gift to us.

The Great Thanksgiving is when we lift our hearts in thanksgiving to a good and generous God.

Jesus Christ is present for you in the bread and wine, it is the body and blood of Jesus Christ given and shed for you.

**ADDITIONAL
WORSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES**

- SATURDAY 5 PM
In person, livestream*
& on cable channel 6
- SUNDAY 8, 9 & 11 AM
In person and
livestream*
- SUNDAY 9 AM
radio broadcast on
106.1 FM
- SUNDAY 10 AM & 5 PM
Live - cable channel 6

*On Facebook, Youtube,
& www.zionanoka.org.

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SENDING HYMN: *He Came Down* #253

1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;

he came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have light; hal-le-lu-jah for-ev-er-more.
he came down that we may have peace;
he came down that we may have joy;

Text: Cameroon traditional
Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional; arr. John L. Bell, b. 1949
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DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. Christ is near.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

*Remember to please place your offering in the wooden boxes
as you leave the sanctuary. Thank you.*