

First Sunday in Advent ~ December 1, 2024

Wachet Auf J. S. Bach Prelude Charles F. von Gunten Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying - ELW 436 **Gathering Hymn** Wake, a - wake, night is fly the watch-men for ing, Zi - on hears the watch-men sing and all her ing, Glo - ri -Let heav'n a - dore a! you! Let saints and the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at is spring-ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom. heart with joy an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym-bal's clear-est tone. Mid - night hears the wel - come voic es, and at the Her dear friend comes down, all glo rious, the strong in Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam ing, lead us to thrill-ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid-ens! Night is grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come. bliss be-yond all dream-ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne. take!" The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness 0 Bless - ed One, sus, God's own Now come, Lord Je -Son. caught the light, No eye has no ear the thun-d'ring might Al - le - lu ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share; Sing ho - san Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all, na! of such glo ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know! • bride groom, who draws near. go, meet the ban and fol low to the quet hall. There de light will flow. sweet ev er

The Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy

Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,

→ one God, alive in the world, reviving creation, arriving soon.

C: Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God of mercy,

C we confess that we have sinned. We trust earthly powers and human authority alone. We grow fearful. We cling to false comforts.

P God of mercy,

C we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from our neighbors. We have trusted false promises.

P God in our midst,

C we confess that we have sinned. We plead: come to us. Bring your mercy to birth in us.

P A righteous branch springs forth: it is Christ the Lord, our Savior, in whom we have forgiveness, life, and mercy. By the power of the Holy Spirit, receive the grace and forgiveness of God through + Christ Jesus, whose day draws near.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise Crown Him With Many Crowns vv. 1-3 ELW 855



Advent Litany

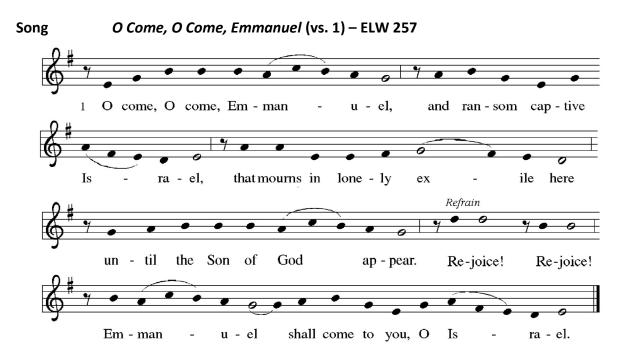
- P There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars, And unrest in the nations like those being tossed by the waves of the sea.
- C Be watchful at all times for God's Kingdom is near.
- P The powers of the heavens will be shaken at the expectation of the coming of the Lord.
- C Be watchful at all times for God's Kingdom is near.
- P You will see Christ coming in the clouds with power and glory.

When this happens, lift up your heads, because your redemption is close.

- C Be watchful at all times for God's Kingdom is near.
- P This generation will not pass away until all things are accomplished.

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will last forever.

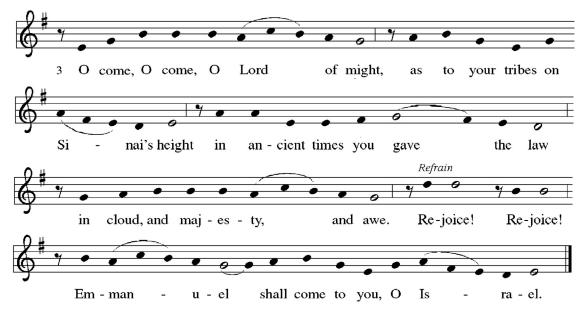
- C Be watchful at all times for God's Kingdom is near.
- P The Lord is coming to make all things new.
- C Come quickly, Lord Jesus.



Lighting of the Advent Wreath - HOPE

P The light of Hope lifts our eyes and calls us forward in Advent. To our uncertain and timid world, it proclaims that there is a tomorrow. It asserts that hope for the future is not to be found in improved financial portfolios or better self-affirmation. The candle of hope reminds us that there is something to cling to: God is and God will.

Song O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 3) – ELW 257



Prayer of The Day

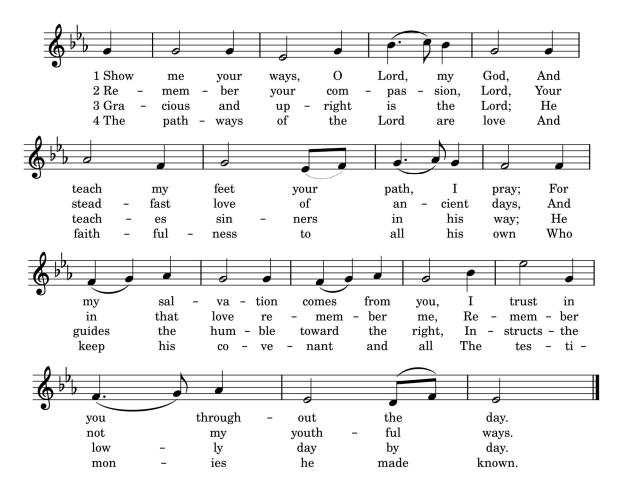
P The Lord be with you, **C and also with you.** P Let us pray.

Lesson: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life Congregation: Thanks be to God

Psalm

Psalm 25 (sing to ELW 298)



Lesson: 1Thessalonians 3:9-13 Reader: Word of God, Word of Life **Congregation: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia – ELW p. 142



Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord

Response after the conclusion of the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Manuel Borbón

Hymn of the Day Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers, vv. 1-3 – ELW 244



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, 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 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

P God of righteousness, your people live in hopeful expectation of your coming. Fill your church with renewed passion for our shared mission, and deepen our relationships with other Christians and other faith traditions in our local community and across the world. Lord, P in your mercy, **C** receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Savior of the nations, come, and receive these prayers and the pleas of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ. **C Amen.**

The Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always. **C** And also with you. We invite you to share a sign of God's peace with those around you. Please remain in your pews

Offering

Anthem The Yearning Craig Courtney

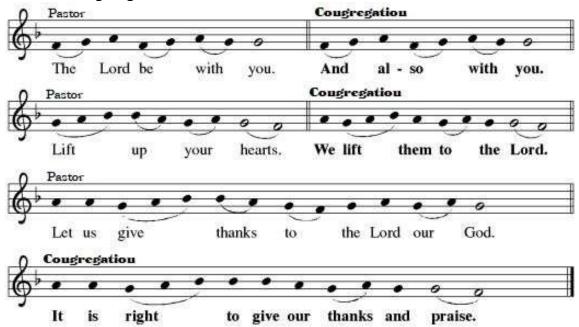
Sanctuary Choir

The Offering Prayer

Creator God, you made the whole world, even the farthest stars, and you draw near to feed us. We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine. Strengthen us with this food that we may live in expectation for the advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

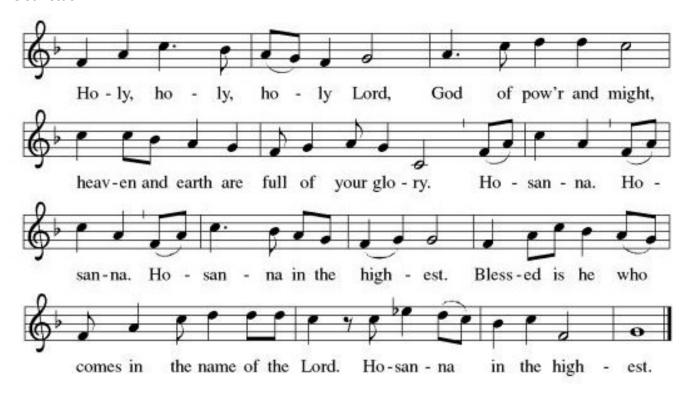
The Great Thanksgiving



The Preface

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty.... We praise your name and join their unending hymn

The Sanctus



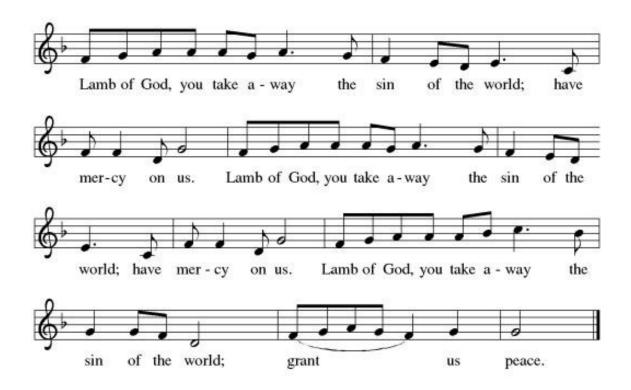
Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

The Agnus Dei Lamb of God - ELW p.146



Distribution of Communion we ask you to come to communion on the center aisle and return to your seat on the side aisle.

Communion Voluntary Sonata III: Andante Tranquillo Felix Mendelssohn Charles F. von Gunten

Prayer after Communion

P Generous God, we thank you for the gift of life, for the bread of salvation. We thank you for coming among us, for leading us into peace. We thank you for showering us with mercy, for sending us into the world. Come, Lord Jesus, and go with us as we feed the hungry in your name. **C Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

P God of endings and beginnings, God in the darkness and the light, God, our hope for the journey,

→ bless and keep you now and forever.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn My Lord, What a Morning - ELW 438



Dismissal

P Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude Sonata III: Con Moto Maestoso Felix Mendelssohn

Charles F. von Gunten

Serving Us Today

Pastor Manuel Borbón & Pastor Elena Enriquez Choir Director: Katy Lundeen Organist: Charles F. von Gunten Reader: Lynn Ten Eyck

Communion Assistants: Pam Allen, Rita Leatherman, Holly Boyle Welcome Team: Pam Allen, Sandra Logan, Curtis Cline Offering Couriers: Heidi Acosta & Teresa Muñoz AV: Lewis John TenHulzen, Mitchell Little Slides Creator: Lorri Carlsen

All are Welcome! As a community of faith the members of Clairemont Lutheran Church/ Iglesia Luterana Clairemont are called to include all people seeking a relationship with Jesus, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, immigration status or marital status. We gather as one congregation, worshiping in two languages, celebrating many cultures. We affirm that in Christ "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female" (Galatians 3:28)

FIRST TIME HERE? Welcome to Clairemont Lutheran Church. For those who are here for the first time we have a welcome gift for you on the table in the Narthex. Please see one of the greeters in the Narthex to receive your gift. Thank you for being with us today.

FOR THOSE IN NEED If you are facing challenges in life, we have cards with prayers for you, located on the table in the narthex on the following subjects. 1. Anxiety 2. Coping with the death of a loved one. 3. Dealing with discouragement and despair. 4. Hope. 5. Loneliness. 6. Need for forgiveness and 7. Patience.

Remember in Prayer: Sandy McCauley, Barb Coolong, Mark Nickel, Ruth Andersen, Laura Gabbard, Sue Brennecke, Adrienne Lenhoff, Paul Brown, Ken Hanson, Lauren Wolfe, Lee & Carol Shigley, Julie Stivers, Maria Medrano, Teresa Muñoz, Clark Carlson, Lucas T Bessa, Stella Penyak, Barb Kanneman, Lewis TenHulzen, Renée Shepherd, Arlene Riordan, Peggy Ritchie, Annalisa Minitti, Lynn Ten Eyck, Ardell Skoglund, and all the homebound members.

Lectern flowers are given to the Glory of God by Stella Penyak welcoming Pastor Manuel Borbón and family to Clairemont Lutheran church/ Iglesia Luterana Clairemont!

Pulpit flowers are given to the Glory of God by Gary Lange to our Choirs, our regular worship choir and the Rise and Shine choir members who put in a lot of hours and make everyone feel good about giving the Lord's praise.

Next Week's Lessons: Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 1:68-79, Philippians 1:3-11, and the Gospel of Luke 3:1-6.

The Zoom studies for the Gospel readings will resume December 9th for the coming Sunday led by Bill Fredericks are on Mondays at 4:00pm. You can contact Bill Fredericks at william.h.fredericks@gmail.com

CCSA Christmas Programs: Christmas Homeless Gift Bags ~ CCSA distributes gift bags that will have gloves, hat, socks, hygiene items, candy, and a \$10.00 gift card from McDonalds, Jack in the Box, Vons, Subway, etc. Gift cards or monetary donations for gift cards can be brought to church and/or given to the Office by Sunday, December 1st. Family Christmas Baskets ~ CCSA distributes a festive basket that will contain non-perishable food and a \$50.00 (small family) or \$75.00 (large family) gift card from Target or Walmart for perishable items to a client family. Gift cards or monetary donations for gift cards can be brought to church and/or given to the Office by Sunday December 8th. Contact Heidi Acosta at 858-373-8634, or the Office, if you have questions. Thank you for your support of this wonderful Christmas gift of giving.

Africa Empowering children: Thank you so much to the members of the Clairemont Lutheran for your continuous support. Your support helps the children continue in schools for food and boarding. This past year has been a struggle. Our food was swept away during this season's rains. Nick has traveled to study more about irrigation and how to practice it here in our community. He is in Arizona for a few months with the help of Ox Farm America which helps farmers and nonprofit



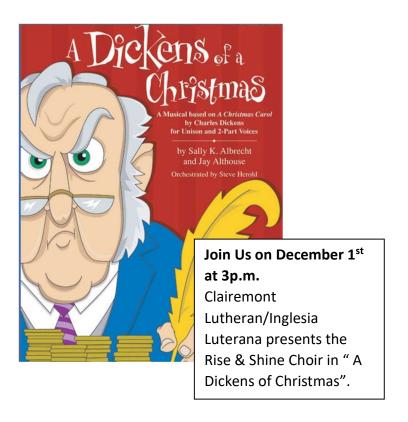
organizations learn new techniques for food security. May God Bless you, Nick & Judy.

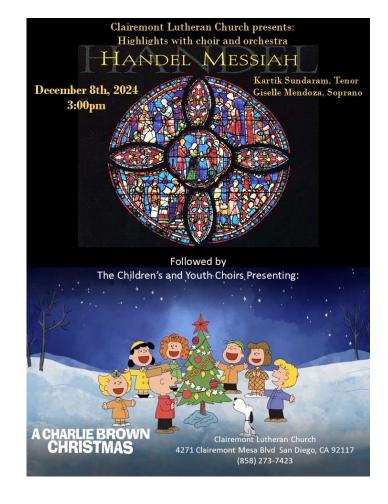
We are in <u>serious</u> need of people to help on Sundays as communion assistants or the welcome team. Christmas services are a challenge to find people with so many traveling or having other obligations, so please consider signing up to help in December and/or regularly in 2025. You can contact Tanya in the office at 858-273-7423. Thank you for faithfully serving at CLC/ILC.

Music Notes: The choir anthem, *The Yearning*, by contemporary composer Craig Courtney is sung by the Sanctuary Choir. "There is a yearning in hearts weighed down by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow. There is a yearning for the Lord who visited His own, and by His death for sin atoned, to bring to us salvation. Emmanuel, within our hearts, the yearning." Every note and every word is perfectly placed to convey the urgency and need of the coming Savior. The prelude was written by J.S. Bach and is taken from his Cantata #140, *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*. Among the most famous of Bach's works, even transcribed for symphony orchestra, Bach uses tone painting techniques to depict the procession of the bridegroom approaching from the distance using dance music.



Today at 3pm!!!





Please return the completed form with dedication **PRINTED LEGIBLY** to the church office by Wednesday, December 20th.

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Poinsettias may be picked up on December 26th.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Concert: Dec 8 at 3 pm

Highlights: Choir & Orchestra

"Handel's Messiah"

The Children's & Youth Choirs "A

Charlie Brown Christmas"

Lessons & Carols service:

Dec 15 9:30am

La Posada: Dec 15 5:30pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services: Dec 24 English 7:00pm & 10:00pm



Monday December 2

4:00pm Gospel Study 4:15-5pm Cherub Choir, 5-6pm Glee Choir, 6-7pm Esperanza Youth Choir, 7:30-8:45pm Sanctuary Choir

Tuesday December 3

6:30pm Handbell rehearsal

Thursday December 5
Office Closed
(We will be getting the offices painted)

Friday December 6

8am-12pm Food Distribution

Saturday December 7

1-3pm Sanctuary Choir practice

Sunday December 8

Sanctuary choir and the children's youth Choirs Christmas Concert At 3pm