

Come, Lord Jesus!

Advent Four

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2022

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church

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COME, LORD JESUS! - AS IMMANUEL

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don't worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children's Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

Restrooms are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

LARGE PRINT copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Whether you are a guest or a member we would love to know you are here! Please use this QR code to sign our digital friendship register. There are also tablets available in the back of Church for you to sign in.



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister
Preacher
Organist

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof
Senior Assistant Matthew Zeng
David Porth

The Service, Setting Two

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

CW 322



1 Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in



set thy peo - ple free; from our fears and
all the earth thou art, dear de - sire of
child and yet a king, born to reign in
all our hearts a - lone; by thine all - suf -



sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

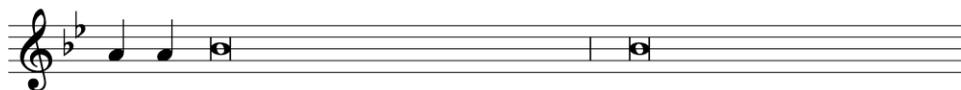
Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of



God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the burden 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.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10–14

¹⁰Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹“Ask the LORD your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights.”

¹²But Ahaz said, “I will not ask; I will not put the LORD to the test.”

¹³Then Isaiah said, “Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

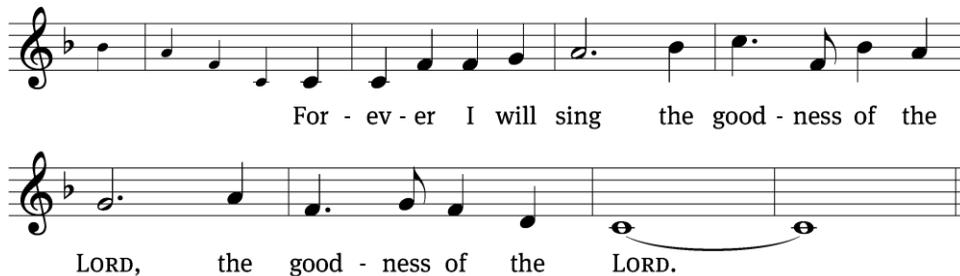
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Forever I Will Sing

Psalm 89A

Refrain



For - ev - er I will sing the good - ness of the
LORD, the good - ness of the LORD.

Tone



I will sing of the LORD's great love for- / ever;
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all gener- / ations.
I will declare that your love stands firm for- / ever,
that you have established your faithfulness in / heav'n itself.
The heavens praise your / wonders, LORD,
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the / holy ones. *Refrain*

Who is like you, LORD God Al- / mighty?
You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness sur- / rounds you.
Blessed are those who have learned to ac- / claim you,
who walk in the light of your / presence, LORD.
They rejoice in your name / all day long;
they celebrate your / righteousness.
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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Second Reading

Romans 1:1-7

¹Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— ²the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures ³regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, ⁴and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. ⁵Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. ⁶And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

⁷To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 1:23

Sung in unison



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son,



and they will call him Im - man - u - el.

Refrain

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Gospel

Matthew 1:18–25

¹⁸This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”).

²⁴When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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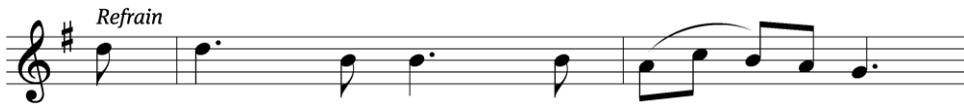
1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
2 O come, O Root of Jes - se, free your own from
3 O come, O Day-spring from on high, and cheer us
4 O come, O Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen



cap - tive Is - ra - el that mourns in lone - ly
Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell your
by your draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y
wide our heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that



ex - ile here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
peo - ple save, and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
clouds of night, and death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
leads on high, and close the path to mis - er - y.



Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el



shall come to you, O Is - ra - el!

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
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,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offering

Offering boxes are available in the back of Church as you leave. If you wish to give an electronic offering, we have provided a QR code at the end of this worship folder. You can also go to pilgrimcares.org/giving to give your offerings online.

The Sacrament

The Bible teaches that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ, and with one another, as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. With that in mind, we invite all members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod to come forward. If you wish to partake of the Supper with us in the future, please speak to Pastor after the service. He would be happy to help you take that step.

Please stand

CW 183



The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 184

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
 God of might. Heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -
 san - na in the high - est!

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Jesus, Lamb of God

CW 186

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

Be seated

Distribution

Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love

CW 496



- 1 Je - sus! Name of won - drous love, name all oth - er names a - bove,
2 Je - sus! Name de - creed of old, to the maid - en moth - er told,
3 Je - sus! Name of price - less worth to the fall - en here on earth
4 Je - sus! Name of mer - cy mild, giv - en to the ho - ly Child



- un - to which must ev - 'ry knee bow in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
kneel - ing in her low - ly cell, by the an - gel Ga - bri - el.
for the prom - ise that it gave, "Je - sus shall his peo - ple save."
when the cup of hu - man woe first he tast - ed here be - low.

- 5 Jesus! Only name that's giv'n
under all the mighty heav'n
whereby those to sin enslaved
burst their fetters and are saved.
- 6 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
human name of God above;
pleading only this, we flee
helpless, O our God, to thee.

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As Angels Joyed with One Accord

CW 320



1 As an - gels joyed with one ac - cord up - on the
2 He came, not clothed in maj - es - ty nor pow'r that
3 This done, he soared to God's right hand, yet or - phaned
4 In ev - 'ry age— let praise a - bound— he comes; we



ad - vent of our Lord, so let us glad - ly
suits his de - i - ty. In low - ly state he
not his cho - sen band, for he, not bound in
hear his voice re - sound. His glo - rious gos - pel



praise the name of him who from the Fa - ther came.
walked till he in dy - ing set us cap - tives free.
grace and pow'r, at - tends his own each day and hour.
does not cease to bring us com - fort, joy, and peace.

- 5 He comes in water to the child
and cleanses it, from birth defiled.
This washing seals his pard'ning grace
and shows the Father's kindly face.
- 6 He comes to us in bread and wine
to give himself and gifts divine.
O praise him for this sacrament,
redeeming love's great testament!
- 7 Lift up your heads! All grief and pain
shall vanish when he comes again.
Where we shall see him face to face,
there joy alone shall have a place.

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Be seated

Peace Came to Earth

CW 330



1 Peace came to earth at last that cho-sen night when an - gels
2 And who could be the same for hav-ing held the in - fant
3 You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen, in flesh and
4 How else could I have known you, O my God! How else could



clove the sky with song and light and God em - bod - ied
in their arms and lat - er felt the wound - ed hands and
blood you bore our griefs and pain, in bread and wine you
I have loved you, O my God! How else could I em -



love and sheathed his might— Who could but gasp: Im-man-u - el!
side, all doubts dis-pelled— Who could but sigh: Im-man-u - el!
vis - it us a - gain— Who could but see: Im-man-u - el!
brace you, O my God! Who could but pray: Im-man-u - el!



Who could but sing: Im - man - u - el!
Who could but shout: Im - man - u - el!
Who could but thrill: Im - man - u - el!
Who could but praise: Im - man - u - el!

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News & Notes

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Kelly Marks and Charles Entringer in celebration of their wedding ceremony on Sunday afternoon. Congratulations Kelly & Charles!

Christmas Hymn Sing - Prior to the Christmas Day service (Sunday, December 25 at 9:00am), we will be holding a Christmas Hymn Sing from 8:15-8:45am. This will look similar to the format we use during the summer months. Please come with your hymns pre-selected and have your numbers ready to go!

Call News

- Mrs. Anderson has received a divine call to serve as Preschool director and teacher at Trinity/St. Luke's School in Watertown.
- Mr. Porth has also received a call. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, West Bend, has extended a divine call for him to serve them as the Grade 6 homeroom teacher with an emphasis in church/school music.

Please keep Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Porth in your prayers as they consider the calls they have here at Pilgrim and from the other Congregations. As always, feel free to reach out to them to discuss their calls and offer your encouragement.

2023 Offering Envelopes We have been notified by the company that supplies our envelopes that they are having issues with their orders this year. It is possible that our boxes will not arrive until sometime in January. If you use offering envelopes, please make a note of your number and write it on your check or put it in another plain envelope with your number written on it. We will distribute them as soon as they arrive.

Pastor Winkelman's Installation will be held Sunday, January 29. We will celebrate this special occasion in the school gym with one service at 10:30am. There will be a reception to follow. Please plan on coming and encourage your fellow Pilgrim members to come too!

The 2023 Flower Chart is on the wall outside of the Mother's room. Because of the ever rising cost of flowers, the price will increase this year. The cost for one family (2 vases) is \$60. For two families (1 vase each) is \$30 per family. Make checks payable to **Pilgrim** and put in Box #49 (Glatzel). When you order flowers, they can be picked up after the second service. Please make sure to return the containers to church after you have disposed of your flowers, they are reused. If you have any questions, contact the office.

The PTA Fundraising Committee needs Brewer Volunteers! Consider joining the Brewer volunteer group! We go to American Family Field and work a concession stand at home games getting a percentage of the sales. This group has raised over \$100,000 in the past years. Click the link below to find out more details and to sign up. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094BA5A62BA0FE3-brewer1>
You can also reach out to the group leader Maddie Maksim at mmaksim23@gmail.com or 920-279-0501.

Help needed at Pilgrim! Our own Pilgrim Lutheran Early Childhood Center is looking for After School Childcare Teachers and looking ahead for Summer help. Teachers work with children ages 3-12, divided into two age groups. Hours are 12:00-6:00pm during the school year, and various hours from 7a-6p during the summer. The schedule is flexible and based on your availability. Please contact Mrs. Bethany Anderson for more information or to receive an application. banderson@pilgrimcares.org or 262-781-8305. **We will REALLY need extra help from March-July** with Mrs. Anderson taking maternity leave. Please spread the word to anyone that you know that is looking for work.

Ushers

8:00am

10:30am

12-18

Bob Schaenzer
Keith Gennerman

Bryan Giesenschlag
Tim Anderson

12-25 (9:00am)

Matt Lawonn & Dan Vaghar

Greeters

12-18

Nancy Rabbitt and Sue Zastrow

Marge Ekstowicz & Elke Warren

12-25 (9:00am)

Bryan & Ellen Giesenschlag

ATTENDANCE – DOES NOT INCLUDE ONLINE WORSHIPPERS

12-11 152 + 121 = 273

12-14 85 + 41 = 126

BIBLE CLASS 52

YOUTH BIBLE CLASS 27

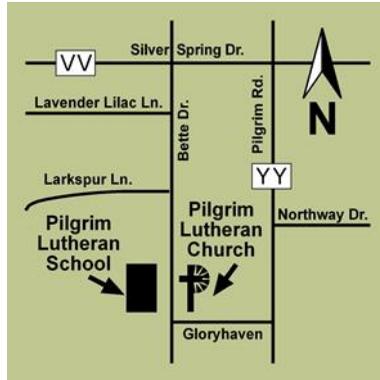


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Pilgrim's Christmas Schedule

Wednesday, December 21	6:30pm Communion Service
Christmas Eve	Children's Service - 4:00pm in school gym Candlelight - 6:30pm (Live streamed)
Christmas Day	8:15 – 8:45am Hymn Sing 9:00am (Live streamed)
December 28 and 31	No Worship Service
Sunday, January 1	8:00am and 10:30 am with Communion
Wednesday, January 4	6:30pm with Communion
Sunday, January 29 (One service in gym)	10:30am Installation of Pastor Aaron Winkelman



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