

FESTIVAL OF ADVENT LESSONS AND MUSIC 6:30 p.m.

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent,
personal preparation for the worship of God.*

PRELUDE Savior of the Nations, Come *Dietrich Buxtehude*
Savior of the Nations, Come *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Come Thou Now, Down from Heaven *J. S. Bach*
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *Michael Helman*

INTROIT “O Gracious Light” *John W. W. Sherer*
O gracious Light, pure brightness of the ever-living Father in heaven.
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed, now as we come to the setting of
the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing thy praises,
O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Thou art worthy at all times to
be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be
glorified through all the worlds.

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN 11** “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?”
Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 40:1–11 (page 627, O.T.)

ANTHEM “People, Look East” *Besançon carol*
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.
Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl
shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and
moon together. People, look east and sing today: love the star
is on the way. Angels, announce with shouts of mirth Christ who
brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with
the word, the Lord is coming. People, look east and sing today:
love the Lord is on the way.

SECOND LESSON Jeremiah 31:31–34 (page 691, O.T.)

***HYMN 9** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” *Tune: VENI EMMANUEL*

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 35:1–10 (page 623, O.T.)

ANTHEM	“Jesus Christ the Apple Tree”	<i>Elizabeth Poston</i>
	The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit, and always green: the trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree. His beauty doth all things excel; by faith I know, but ne’er can tell the glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree. For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought: I missed of all, but now I see ’tis found in Christ the apple tree. I’m weary with my former toil; here I will sit and rest awhile: under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive; it keeps my dying faith alive, which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.	
FOURTH LESSON	Micah 5:2–4	(page 815, O.T.)
*CAROL 44	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”	<i>Tune: ST. LOUIS</i>
FIFTH LESSON	Isaiah 11:1–9	(page 602, O.T.)
ANTHEM	“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”	<i>Michael Praetorius</i>
	Lo, how a rose e’er blooming from tender stem hath sprung, of Jesse’s lineage coming, by faithful prophets sung. It came a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night. Isaiah ’twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind; with Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind. To show God’s love aright she bore for us a savior, when half spent was the night.	
SIXTH LESSON	Zephaniah 3:14–18	(page 826, O.T.)
*HYMN 8	“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”	<i>Tune: TRURO</i>
SEVENTH LESSON	Luke 1:26–38	(page 53, N.T.)
ANTHEM	“The Angel Gabriel”	<i>Basque melody</i>
	The angel Gabriel from heaven came, his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame; “All hail,” said he, “O lowly maiden Mary,” Most highly favored lady, Gloria! “For know a blessed mother you shall be, all generations praise continually, your Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold.” Most highly favored lady, Gloria! Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head, “To me be as it pleases God,” she said, “My soul shall laud and magnify God’s holy name.” Most highly favored lady, Gloria! Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn, and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say: Most highly favored lady, Gloria!	
EIGHTH LESSON	Luke 1:39–56	(page 53, N.T.)
*HYMN 600	“Song of Mary”	<i>Tune: MORNING SONG</i>
NINTH LESSON	John 1:1–18	(page 86, N.T.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*traditional*)

(The Hymnal, page 16)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee"

Jean Berger

The eyes of all wait upon thee, and thou givest them their meat
in due season. Thou openest thine hand and satisfiest the desire of
every living thing.

***CAROL 38**

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

Tune: CAROL

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Aaron David Miller

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Readers Edward Choi, Sahar Hendabadi, Elana Aavik, Jean Marie Koon,
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The Chancel Choir, The Morning Choir

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