

Unity. Liberty. Love. Serve.



Angel II (Svitlana Vorotniak)

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

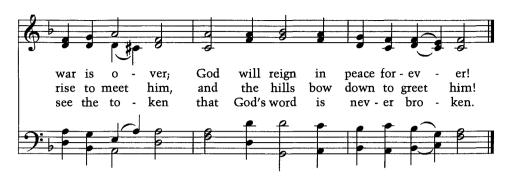
December 4th, 2022

264 Comfort, Comfort Now My People



TEXT: Johannes G. Olearius (1611-1684). Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1863), alt. TUNE: From Trente quatre pseaumes de David, Geneva (1551)

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Savior of the Nations, Come



TEXT: Martin Luther (1483-1546), after Ambrose of Milan (340-397)

Tr. William M. Reynolds (1812-1876) and James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)

St. 3,4 @1982 by James Waring McCrady

TUNE: Veni redemptor gentium. Arr. Johann Walther (1524)

ADVENT 2

(Standing)

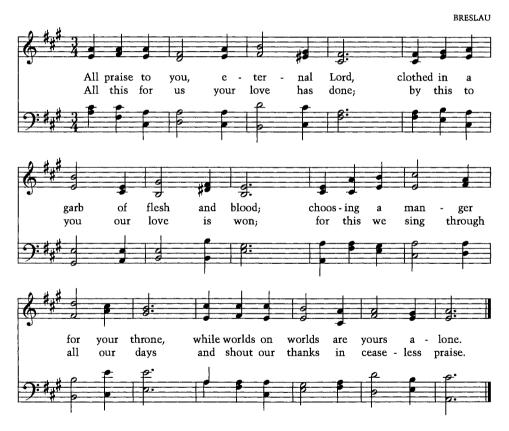
Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things.

We will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of God's deeds in songs of joy.

Awake, awake, you people of God, put on your festive garments.

For God has already clothed us with the garments of salvation and has covered us with the robe of righteousness.

The Holy One has delivered us and has become our salvation.



We give thanks to you, eternal God, for the Word in human form given to us in the child of Bethlehem.

The Word speaks to us in a way we cannot avoid:

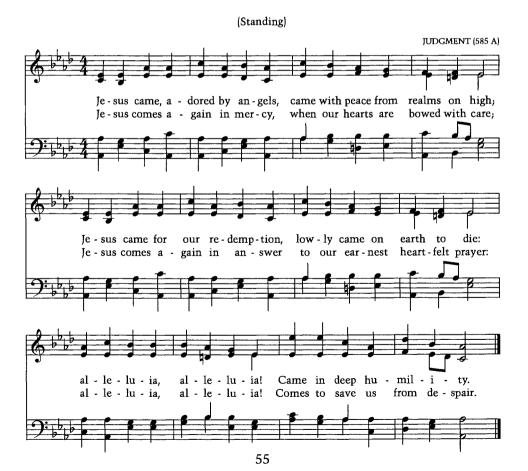
Therefore, let us put aside the masks of pretended righteousness and confess our sins to God.

(Kneeling or sitting)

Gracious God, this Advent season stirs a longing to have Christ come alive within us, yet we allow ourselves to become enslaved to cynicism, selfishness, and greed. In a season for freely giving and receiving, we tend to live by debt and obligation. We rush from task to task, scarcely opening our eyes to the peace and beauty around us. We glory in the visions of the old man Zechariah in the temple, which were fulfilled in his wife, Elizabeth; but our ministry to the elderly in our midst falls short. We sing of One who was laid in a borrowed manger, but we ignore the poor and homeless among us. We decry the violence of a wicked king, yet we are too often silent in the face of abuse and injustice around us. For these and all our sins, forgive us, we pray, gracious God.

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to them and proclaim that they have suffered long enough, that their penalty is paid, and their sins are forgiven.

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. Christ Jesus gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify a people of his own. Thanks be to God!



We believe in Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, who lived among us as foretold by the prophets, who was descended from the royal line of David, and who was baptized in the Spirit of the Lord, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might.

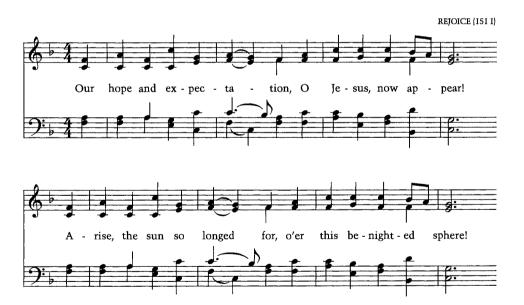
He does not judge by what his eyes see, nor decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he judges the poor and decides with equity for the meek of the earth.

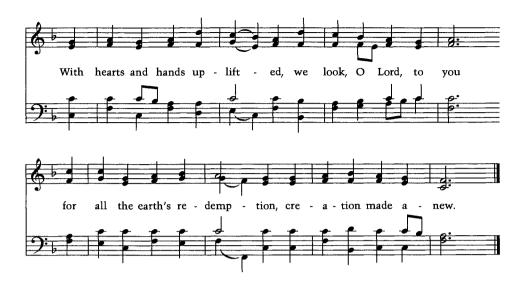
We believe in the coming reign of God when justice will be established in the earth.

How wonderful it is to see a messenger coming across the mountains who brings good news, the news of peace, who announces salvation, who says, "Your God reigns."

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 earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.





(All may join in the following prayers of intercession, or the service may proceed as the liturgist directs.)

(Sitting)

Christ, the Light of the world, empower us to shine as lights in this dark world of sin.

Christ, the Creative Word, by whom all things were made, lead us into good stewardship of creation that we and our children may preserve and enjoy the world entrusted to us.

Christ, the Living Truth, give us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that sees beyond temporal values to discern your truth and to declare it.

Christ, our Righteous Judge, give us courage to stand by the poor, the meek, and the oppressed; and strengthen our support for all who are their advocates.

Christ, the Lamb of God, send us forth as your ambassadors of reconciliation in a broken and troubled world; bring peace to the conflicts of nations, races, and tribes.

We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that we might proclaim the mighty acts of him who called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light. May our lives show forth that which we truly are. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.



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We welcome all members and guests to our service today and we are glad that you have joined us for worship at Calvary!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Chaz Snider, Preaching
The Rt. Rev. Lane A. Sapp, Pastor
Mrs. Amanda Schumpert, Director of Music
Mrs. Mary Louise Kapp Peeples, Organist
The Ingram Family, Lighting of the Advent Candle
Mrs. Lydia Ingram, Lay Reader
Mr. Brian Lott, Band Director
The Calvary Band
The Calvary Chancel Choir
Makenna Gibson & Hannah Price, Nursery Attendants
Bennett Perry, Clyde George, Lynn Biggam, & Scott Peddycord, Ushers

The flowers placed in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Dot, Powell, and Rich Watts by Tom Watts and Joyce.

Today's bulletin art was painted by Ukrainian artist, Svitlana Vorotniak, of Netishyn, Ukraine. Please keep her, her family, and all those suffering in Ukraine in your prayers.

Nursery is available for all children infant through Pre-K. Children Kindergarten through 2nd grade can find *New to the Pew* bags up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

GATHERING IN UNITY

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK (MATTHEW 3:2)
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.

BAND PRELUDE

TRINITY CHIME

PRELUDE Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Is Calling — J.S. Bach

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

WELCOME

PROCLAIMING GOD'S LOVE

HYMN #264 Comfort, Comfort Now My People — Freu Dich Sehr (Geneva)

LITURGY FOR ADVENT II Page 54, The Moravian Book of Worship

LITURGY FOR BAPTISM & TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP Page 165, The Moravian Book of Worship

OFFERTORY Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming — Michael Praetorius

DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Morning Star, thy glory bright far excels the sun's clear light. Jesus be, constantly, constantly, Jesus be more than thousand suns to me.

Children Kindergarten to 2nd grade are invited to leave for Godly Play during the singing of this hymn

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

EPISTLE: ISAIAH 11:1-10 (Pg. 595) GOSPEL: MATTHEW 3:1-12 (Pg. 836)

The Word of God for the People of God Thanks be to God.

QUIET MEDITATION AND PRAYER

SERMON

SENDING TO SERVE

HYMN #265 Savior of the Nations, Come — Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland

BENEDICTION

Postlude Once He Came In Blessing — Rebecca Kleintop Lepore

TRINITY CHIME

REMEMBER CALVARY MEMBERS IN PRAYER

Eddie Johnson; Ursula Pierce; Camilla Williams; Ron Griggs; Bernard Williams; Carloyn Perry; Logan Shaw; John Polychron; Hubert Poindexter; Larry Linville; Patricia Poindexter Garr; Earline Pryor; Richard and Frances Swing; Ramona Prestwood; Beth Nance; Charles Mecimore; Ramona Burke; Jan Trivette; Mary Hampton; Joel C. Lineback; Betsy Oerter; Rameth McKnight; Wesley Davis; Jane Sofley; Mike Hattaway; Terry Gordon; Mary Lott; Paul Marshall; Mary Bland; Mike Sigmon; Misty Hayes and family; the family of Margaret Higgins

REMEMBER FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN PRAYER

Dr. Tad Lowdermilk; Cheryl Morrison; Stephanie Miller; Andrea Burke Yeager; Will Streicker; Susan Johnston; Gordon Bascom; Knox Peterson; Marty Clark; Holly Broadstreet; Debbie Timmons; Chad Blackwelder; Chuck Rivers; Hailey Domian; Rick Malaspina

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

It is our joy this morning to receive new members into the fellowship of our congregation. Joining by the sacrament of baptism are Sonja, Max, and Gabe Price and by Letter of Transfer are Bruce, Darla, Lukas, and Rosalie Earnest, the Rev. Sandra Thigpen, Henley Peatross, and Lici Fansler. Please take a moment to welcome these new members after worship today.

SAVE THE DATE

Pageant Sunday — Next Sunday, December 11, 11 AM Worship Festival Of Lights Hayride — Sunday, December 11, 5:30 PM

CANDLE TRIMMING AND LUNCH

After worship today, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall to trim candles for the Christmas Eve Lovefeast. If you've never trimmed the candles before, we'll have plenty of experienced members to teach you. No experience necessary! We will serve a lunch of pizza and salad.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Next Sunday, December 11th, we will celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent as our children and youth lead us in our annual Children's Pageant. This is one of the highlights of our church calendar and we look forward to the traditional telling of the Christmas story by our youngest members. Participants are reminded of the weekend schedule below. Please contact Amanda Schumpert with any questions.

Saturday, Dec. 10: 10-11:30am: Pageant rehearsal for all speaking roles in the sanctuary.

Sunday, Dec. 11: 9am: Biscuit Breakfast provided in Fellowship Hall.

9:20-10:30am: Full Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

11am: Worship

TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER LOVEFEAST IN A BOX

Tomorrow, December 5th, is the last day to place your orders for Lovefeast in a box! Calvary will be hosting traditional in-person, indoor lovefeasts for Christmas Eve, but for our far-away friends, we'll still be live-streaming and are again selling at-home lovefeast kits. Each box contains a dressed lovefeast candle, Moravian cookies, lovefeast coffee, and the worship bulletin. You can order individual, double, or family boxes, shipped right to your door (if you are local and want to pick them up in person, shipping is waived and ordering is open until 12/12). Then, on Dec. 24, you can participate in a lovefeast with us via video stream. Visit www.Lovefeastinabox.com today to place your order! Contact Ginni Baker with questions.

NEXT CALVARY BREAKFAST BUNCH

December 6th, 9 AM at Carriage House. Following the breakfast, we will be going to the Candle Tea with those who have made reservations with Elaine Peddycord. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Seippel (336) 406-1747 to RSVP.



CHURCH RETREAT

WHEN: JUNE 2ND-4TH, 2023
WHERE: HIGGINS LODGE AT LAUREL RIDGE

MORE INFORMATION TO COME!

Christmas Eve Lovefeasts

Our traditional Lovefeasts, held indoors for the whole Winston-Salem community

December 24th
11 AM, 4 PM, & 8 PM
Calvary Moravian Sanctuary

The 11 AM & 4 PM services will be live-streamed.



Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

9am Handbell Choir Rehearsal

9:45am Nursery for children infant through Pre-K

Adult Sunday School Class Offerings

New Life Adult Class

1st floor, Room 120

Friendship Adult Class

1st floor, Burke Conference Room

9:45-10:15am Family Chime-Time

3rd floor handbell room

10:15am Youth (6th-12th grades)

3rd floor youth room

Early Elementary (Kindergarten through 2nd grade)

2nd floor Children's Wing

Elementary (3rd through 5th grade)

2nd floor Children's Wing

Fellowship Coffee Time at Footnote Cafe

llam Worship

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8 AM-4 PM Lunch Hour: 12:30-1:30 PM Closed on Fridays (336) 722-3703

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