

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Jackson, Minnesota

“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”

Children’s Christmas Service

December 22, 2024

HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED

+ Preparation +

Hymn

“Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising”

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1 Come, your hearts and voic - es rais - ing, Christ the
2 Christ, from heav'n to us de - scand - ing And in
3 Ja - cob's star in all its splen - dor Beams with
4 From the bond - age that op - pressed us, From sin's



Lord with glad - ness prais - ing; Loud - ly sing His love a -
love our race be - friend - ing; In our need His help ex -
com - fort sweet and ten - der, Forc - ing Sa - tan to sur -
fet - ters that pos - sessed us, From the grief that sore dis -



maz - ing, Wor - thy folk of Chris - ten - dom.
tend - ing, Saved us from the wi - ly foe.
ren - der, Break - ing all the pow'rs of hell.
tressed us, We, the cap - tives, now are free.

5 Oh, the joy beyond expressing
When by faith we grasp this blessing,
And to You we come confessing
That Your love has set us free.

6 Gracious Child, we pray, O hear us,
From Your lowly manger cheer us,
Gently lead us and be near us
Till we join Your choir above.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.

Tune: German, 14th cent.

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the **+** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Sentences

Rachel, Tayven

The Message Presented by the Children

+ Immanuel, God with Us +

Reading:

Rachel

Recitation

Genesis

Hymn

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

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1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je-sus, Born to set Thy peo-ple free;
2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!



From our fears and sins re-lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con-so - la-tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na-tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long-ing heart.
By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo-rious throne.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.
Tune: Southern Harmony, 1835, New Haven
Text and tune: Public domain

+ Wonderful Counselor +

Readings:

Tayven

Recitation

Grayson

Hymn

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

332 vv. 1-3, 7

1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
 7 From the man - ger new - born light Shines in glo - ry

here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
 through the night. Dark - ness there no more re - sides;

That the Lord chose such a birth.
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
 God was there up - on His throne.
 In this light faith now a - bides.

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546; (sts. 1–2): tr. William M. Reynolds, 1812–76;

(st. 3): tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006; (st. 7): tr. Gifford A. Grobien, 1973

Tune: Geystliche gesang Buchlein, 1524, Wittenberg, ed. Johann Walter

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+ Mighty God +

Readings:

Abigail

Recitation

Rebel

Hymn**"Away in a Manger"****364***Note: Children sing verse 1; congregation sings verses 2 and 3.*

1 A - way in a man - ger, no crib for a bed,
 2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,
 3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask Thee to stay

The lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down His sweet head.
 But lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes.
 Close by me for - ev - er and love me, I pray.

The stars in the sky____ looked down where He lay,
 I love Thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,
 Bless all the dear chil - dren in Thy ten - der care,

The lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
 And stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
 And take us to heav - en to live with Thee there.

Text (sts. 1-2): Little Children's Book, 1885, Philadelphia; (st. 3): Vineyard Songs, 1892, Louisville, alt.

Tune: James R. Murray, 1841-1905

Text and tune: Public domain

Christmas Meditation

Pastor

Prayer of the Church**Offering****+ Everlasting Father +****Readings:**

Alyse

Recitation

Genesis, Rebel, Imogene, Waylon

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain, O-ver the hills and ev -'ry - where;
 Go tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!

1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night,
 2 The shep-herds feared and trem - bled When lo, a - bove the earth
 3 Down in a lone - ly man - ger The hum-ble Christ was born;

Refrain

Be - hold, through - out the heav - ens There shone a ho - ly light.
 Rang out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
 And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Text (sts. 1-3): John W. Work II, 1873-1925, alt.

Text (ref) and tune: African American spiritual

Text and tune: Public domain

+ Prince of Peace +

Readings

Rachel, Abigail, Alyse

Recitation

Tayven, Grayson

Lord's Prayer

Responsive Reading

Rachel, Tayven

Closing Prayer

P Let us pray.

C Heavenly Father, thank You for fulfilling Your promise to send Your Son to be our Savior. You have given us the best gift of all: the Child in the manger who came to live, die, and rise again for us! In His name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless and keep you in the joy of Jesus, our Savior. The blessing of the Father, the  Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you today and every day.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Joy to the World"

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1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions

King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -

room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains Re - peat the sound-ing joy, Re - peat the sound-ing
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

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.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Tune: George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759, adapt.

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Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!

Our Triune God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, for the gift of salvation!

Please join us for refreshments after the service in the church fellowship hall downstairs!