

Worship

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Advent

December 7, 2011



PROCLAIM the WONDROUS BIRTH

The Amazing Birth of Samuel

Darkness Becomes Light

#331 The Advent of Our King

**The Advent of our king Our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing In strains of holy joy.**

**The everlasting Son incarnate stoops to be,
Himself the servant's form puts on to set his people free.**

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit,

C Amen.

P The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

C Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

P Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

C "Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

**O Zion's daughter, rise To meet your lowly King,
Nor let your faithless heart despise The peace He comes to bring.**

**As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come again
And His true members all unite With Him in heav'n to reign.**

- P *Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.*
- C **For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P *Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found. Let us confess our sins, confident that our gracious God forgives us.*
- C **Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name’s sake!**
- P *Peace be with you! Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ tells his Church, “If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven.” I, therefore, a called pastor of his Church, by his authority forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C **Amen. Thanks be to God!**

**Before the dawning day Let sin’s dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away, The new self now put on.**

**All glory to the Son, who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one through all eternity.**

Psalm 99 • Melody: As With Gladness Men of Old #397

- P *Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain. The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! Let the people tremble and confess his name, for it is great and awesome. Mighty*

King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

**Alleluia! Praises sing
Unto our exalted King!
Alleluia! At his feet
Bow in worship, as is meet.
Alleluia! E'er adored
Holy, holy, holy Lord!**

P Moses and Aaron were his priests, and Samuel was one who prayed to him. They called to the Lord and he answered them; he spoke to them in the pillar of cloud, and they obeyed his laws. O Lord our God, you answered their prayers and forgave their sins, and punished them for their wrongdoings. Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain.

**Alleluia! Praise is due
To our righteous God, and true.
Alleluia! Come and pray,
And the will of God obey.
Alleluia! E'er adored
Holy, holy, holy Lord!**

The Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Lesson • 1 Samuel 1:10-20

“Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel.”

Epistle Lesson • Acts 3:17-26

“Samuel ... also proclaimed these days.”

The Holy Gospel • Luke 1:46-55

“He has looked on the humble estate of his servant.”

Theme Hymn • Tune: O Little Town of Bethlehem

A child is born—young Samuel; for Hannah, joy from tears—

A graceful, gracious offering to balm her barren years.

Anointer of the chosen: From David he would bring

A vision of God’s promised One—our everlasting King.

The Amazing Birth of Samuel • God’s Gift to Hannah

A child is born in Bethlehem, the Savior promised long

In scrolls of prophets’ promises; loud hailed in angels’ song.

Emmanuel, God with us, has come to heal the earth.

With sages, saints and angel tongues, proclaim the wondrous birth.

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.

The Offering

The Prayers • Response

P *God of Hannah and Samuel,*
C **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Benediction • Psalm 99, Romans 5:5

P *Exalt the Lord our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!*

C **Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called upon his name. They called to the Lord, and he answered them.**

P *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

Hymn: Hark the Glad Sound #349

SERVING US THIS WEEKEND:

Preacher: Pastor Eric Kolonich & Pastor Zachary DeArmond

Organist: Roberta Hilgendorf

Ushers Steve Groddy, Jim Noffke, Dan Kielsmier, Marlin Strouf

DECORATIONS – HYMN SING – LUNCH

If you like to decorate, sing, eat and fellowship, this activity is for you. On Saturday, December 10th from 11-2p.m. we will put up the Christmas tree and nativity set. Roberta Hilgendorf will play your requested Christmas hymns and everyone can sing along.

This will be followed by soup, sandwiches and pizza. More information will follow in the bulletin or you may contact Jim and Karen Beke or Mary Orth.

Proclaim the Wondrous Birth!

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JOHN—Wednesday, December 14 @ 6pm
JESUS—Wednesday, December 21 @ 6pm



Altar Flowers this weekend have been presented to the glory of God by Bob and Mary Peschka as they celebrate their anniversary

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- Gladys Kiel in Rehab at Shady Lane
- Tabitha Seefeldt

The Lord's Week at Redeemer

Saturday, November 19

5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, November 20

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Studies

10:30 a.m. Worship

Last day for operation Christmas child box drop off

Monday, November 21

8:00a.m. Finance Committee

7:00 p.m. Java & the Word

at Manitowoc Coffee

Tuesday, November 22

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Class

9:15 a.m. Ladies Bible Class

10:30 a.m. Garden Team

7:05 p.m Financial Peace U.

Wednesday, November 23

6 :30 p.m. Senior Choir

7:30 p.m. Handbells

Thursday, November 24

9a.m. Thanksgiving Worship(C)

Friday, November 25

Office Closed

Saturday, November 26

5:00 p.m. Worship(C)

Sunday, November 27

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Studies

10:30 a.m. Worship (C)

1:00 p.m. Hmg. Worship

6:30p.m. Ladies Small Group Bible Study at Jenn's Java

South Wisconsin District Mission Prayer Calendar

Week of November 20 – During this week of our country's national **Day of Thanksgiving** pray that we, His children, remember to not only be thankful for our many blessings, but above all to remember from Whom our blessings come.

Week of November 27 – Pray for our District's **French African and English African ministries** this week, asking for the Holy Spirit to enter the hearts of those people whose lives these ministries touch.

LWML Silent Auction- items for auction are located in the narthex with directions. Proceeds will go toward the Thailand Mission

LWML- will be hosting a cookie drive for all homebound members. If you would like to donate cookies please have them at church by December 17th. Cookies will be delivered Friday December 18th

**Flicker of Hope Celebration
A Free Hope House Family Event
Sunday, December 4, 2011
3:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Capitol Civic Centre-Kadow Room**

**Food, Entertainment, Raffles
Including an iPad2
All are welcome!!
*Come Support Manitowoc County's Homeless Shelter***

December Voter's Meeting
Following Worship
on
December 4, 2011
(Child care will be provided)

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SAMUEL—Wednesday, December 7 @ 6pm
JOHN—Wednesday, December 14 @ 6pm
JESUS—Wednesday, December 21 @ 6pm**

MP3 Bible Sticks for US Military

Through Faith Comes By Hearing's Military BibleStick project, our nation's troops are hearing the Word of God while on (or preparing for) deployment.

The Military Bible Stick is a digital audio player that is pre-loaded with a dramatized recording of the entire New Testament. If you are interested in purchasing a military Bible Stick to be sent to our military personnel serving our country **the cost for each MP3 Player/Bible Stick is \$25**. You can bring your donation into the church office or leave it in the offering plate. Please write on the check or envelope that it is for the “Military Bible Stick”.
Checks are due by Sunday, November 27.