

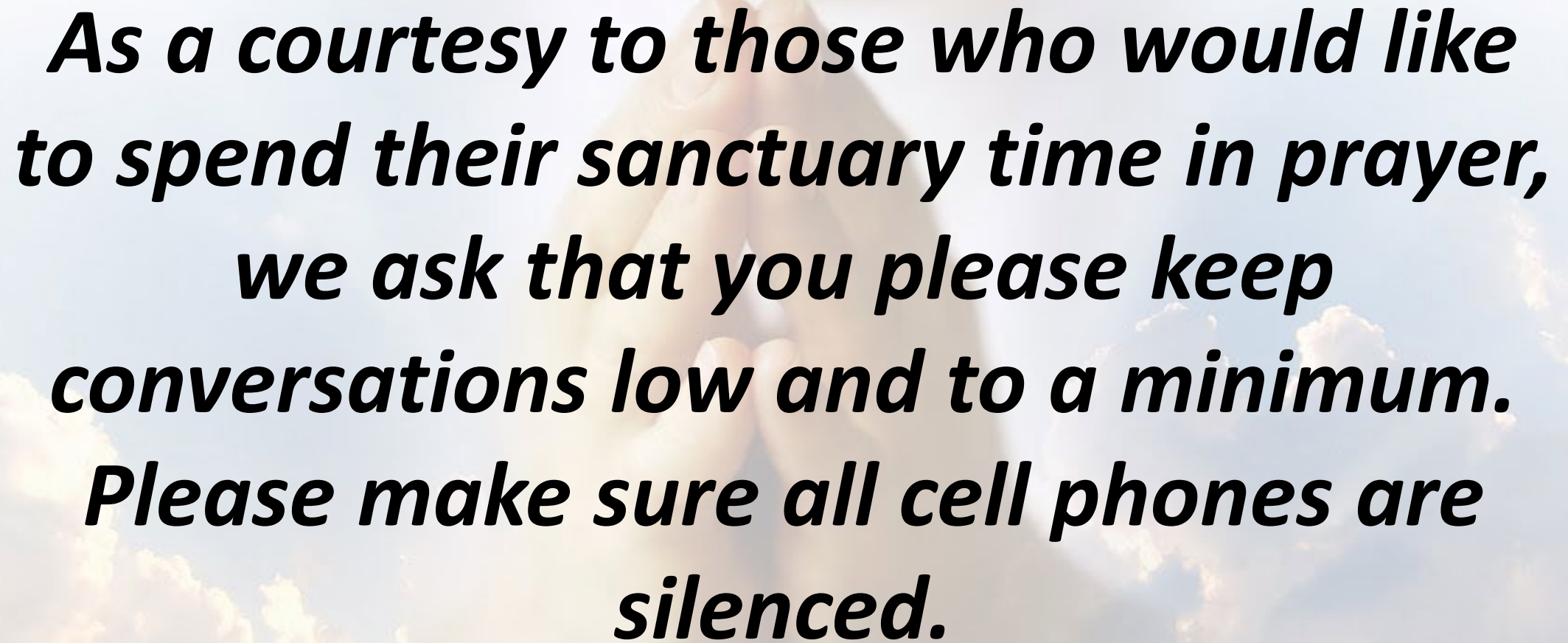
# JOY LUTHERAN LICENSING

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to spend their sanctuary time in prayer,  
we ask that you please keep  
conversations low and to a minimum.  
Please make sure all cell phones are  
silenced.***

***Thank You.***

***Our mission is to share the Good  
News of grace and love with all  
through worship, service, and  
fellowship.***



***"Our Vision:  
Joy is a spiritual community sharing  
the love of Christ in a challenging  
world".***

# Hymns for Today's Service that are in the Hymnal:

- Gathering:** ELW # 292-Love Has Come
- Hymn Praise:** ELW Page 140-This is the Feast
- Psalm:** ELW # 717-Let Justice Flow Like Streams
- Gospel Acc:** ELW Page 142-Alleluia
- Hymn Day:** ELW # 300 - The First Noel
- Cong. Offer:** ELW # 487 - What Feast of Love
- Sanctus:** ELW Page 144 - Holy, Holy, Holy
- Lamb:** ELW Page 146 - Lamb of God
- Distribution:** ELW # 167 – Now the Feast and Celebration  
ELW # 774 – Leaning on the Everlasting Arms  
ELW # 787 – On Eagle's Wings  
ELW # 770 – Give Me Jesus
- Sending:** ELW # 677 – This Little Light of Mine

*Celebrating the Epiphany of Our Lord*  
*January 5, 2025*



**PRELUDE:**



***“The First Noel”-arr. John Carter***

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- ☐ **P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting.
- ☐ **C** Amen.
- ☐ **P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*





**P** God-with-us,  
**C** we confess that we have turned away  
those seeking shelter,  
claiming there is no room when we have plenty.  
We have made power and wealth our idols,  
while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger.  
We have overlooked the shepherds,  
expecting good news in prettier packaging.



**© Too often, we have valued violence  
instead of your peace.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways.**

**Grant us the grace to begin again.**

**Free us from all that keeps us bound,  
and forgive our sin,**

**through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us.**

**Amen**



**P** Hear the good news and rejoice!  
You are God's chosen ones,  
holy and beloved,  
✝️ forgiven in Christ,  
and freed to respond in joy.

**C** Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN:**

***ELW 292- "Love Has Come"***

**1 Love has come—a light in the darkness!  
Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies.  
See, all heaven has come to proclaim it;  
hear how their song of joy arises:  
Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior!  
Love! Love! Glory to God on high.**



**GATHERING HYMN:**

***ELW 292- "Love Has Come"***

**2 Love is born! Come, share in the wonder.  
Love is God now asleep in the hay.  
See the glow in the eyes of his mother;  
what is the name her heart is saying?  
Love! Love! Love is the name she whispers;  
Love! Love! Jesus, Immanuel.**



**GATHERING HYMN:**

***ELW 292- "Love Has Come"***

**3 Love has come and never will leave us!  
Love is life everlasting and free.  
Love is Jesus within and among us.  
Love is the peace our hearts are seeking.  
Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas;  
Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!**

# GREETING

**P** The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

***Refrain***

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**





***Refrain***

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**2 Power, riches, wisdom and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**



***Refrain***

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**3 Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**



***Refrain***

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**4 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.**

**Alleluia.**

***Refrain***

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

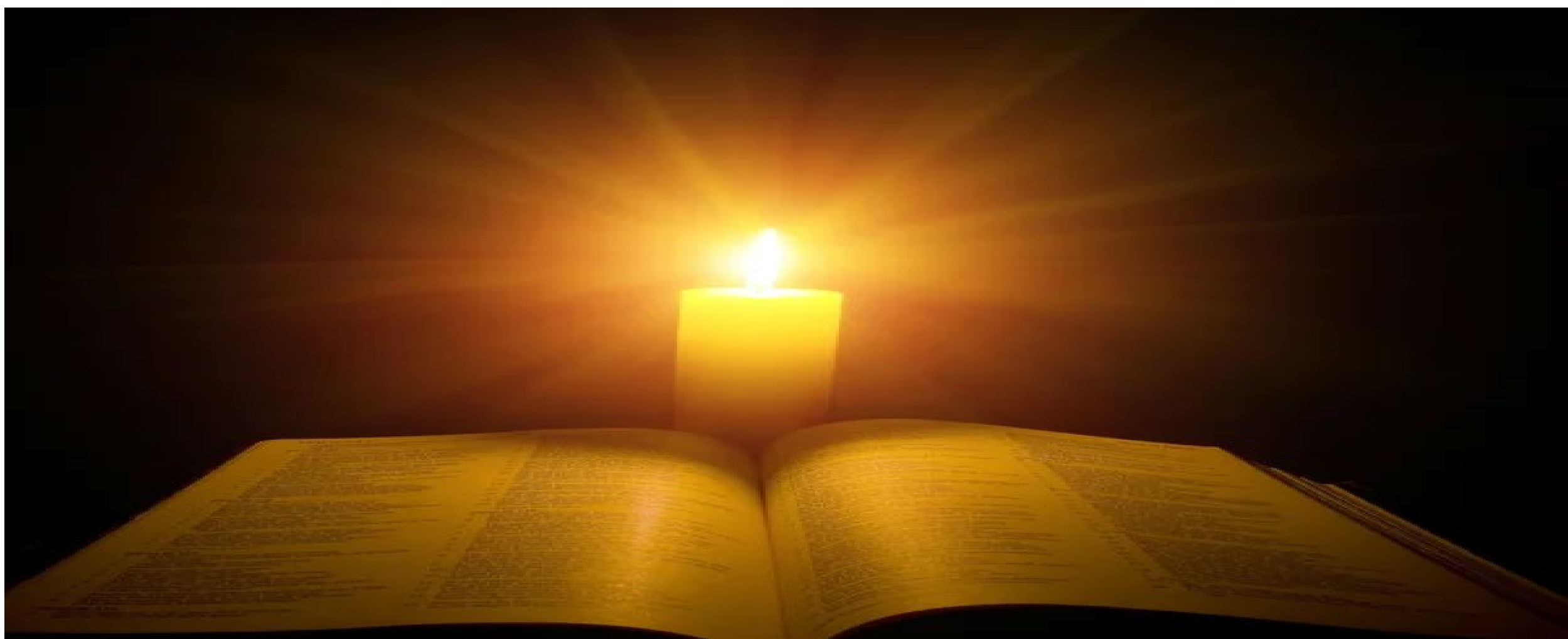
**P** Let us Pray.

**C** **O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Isaiah 60:1-6**

***Nations come to the light***





- P** The word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

# Psalm: *ELW # 717-*”*Let Justice Flow Like Streams*”

- 1 Let justice flow like streams  
of sparkling water, pure,  
enabling growth, refreshing life,  
abundant, cleansing, sure.**



# Psalm: *ELW # 717-*”*Let Justice Flow Like Streams*”

**2** Let righteousness roll on  
as others' cares we heed,  
an ever-flowing stream of faith  
translated into deed.





**Psalm: *ELW # 717-*”*Let Justice Flow Like Streams*”**

**3    So may God's plumb line, straight,  
define our measure true,  
and justice, right, and peace pervade  
this world our whole life through.**

# Ephesians 3:1-12

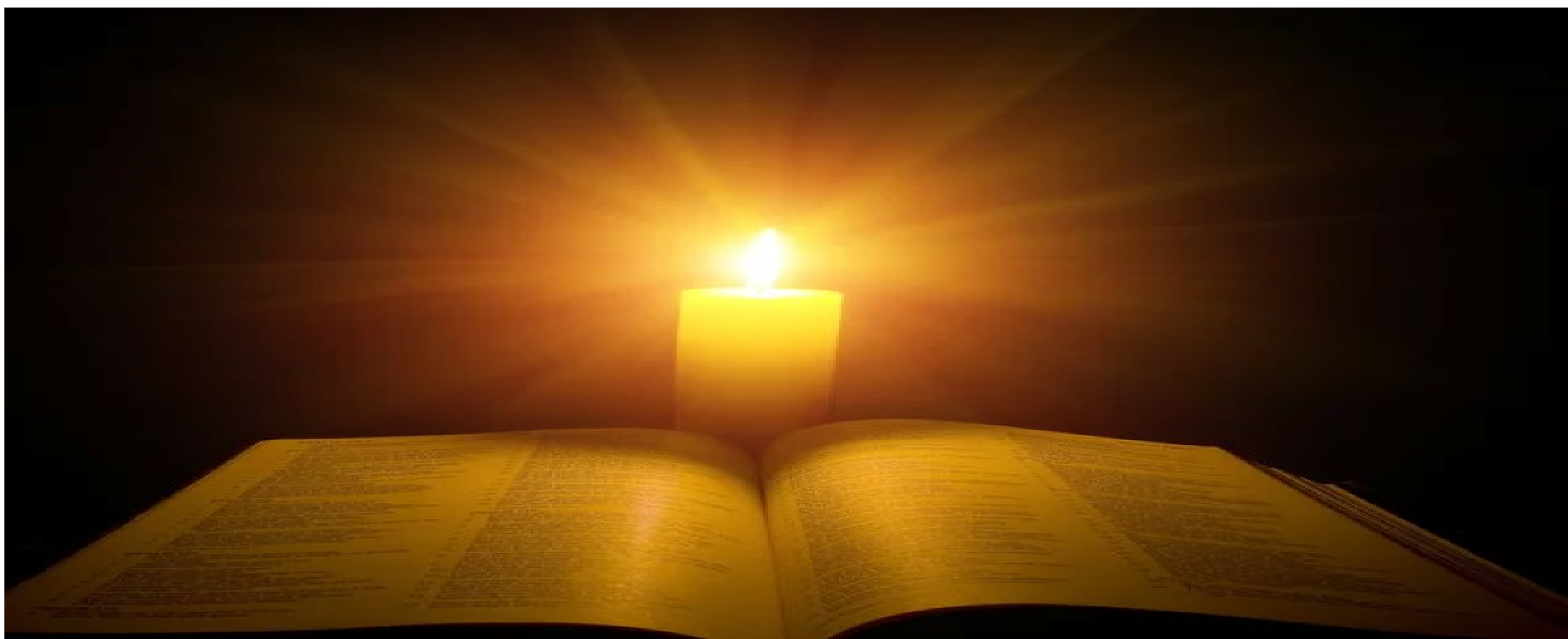
*The gospel's promise extends to all*

Come  
Boldly  
Into  
God's  
Presence

Ephesians 3:12

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**P** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

A scenic photograph of a sunset over the ocean. The sun is a bright, glowing orb in the center of the sky, casting a shimmering path of light across the water's surface. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a soft purple and blue at the top. On the left side, a winding road is visible, leading down towards the water's edge. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

# COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

**SPECIAL MUSIC 8:15 AM**

***Becki Slugle Mayo***

***“Sages from Afar”***

**SPECIAL MUSIC 11:00 AM**



***JOY Choir***

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:– *“Alleluia”-ELW Page 142***

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**P** The Holy  
Gospel  
according to

**Matthew 2:1-12**

**C** Glory to  
you O Lord.

*(Gospel is read)*



Faithful Seekers Of The King

Matthew 2:1-12



**P** : THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

**C** : PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.



**MATTHEW Ch.2**



**2:1-12**

***TODAY'S  
MESSAGE  
GIVEN BY***

***INTERN  
BOB BONOMO***

# SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

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“Where  
is He  
who has been  
born King  
of the Jews?  
For we have seen  
His star in the East,  
and have come to worship Him.”

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james Tissot



***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 300-"The First Noel"***

**1 The first Noel the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they  
lay;  
in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.**

***Refrain***

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.**



***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 300-"The First Noel"***

**2 They looked up and saw a star  
shining in the east beyond them far;  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night.**

***Refrain***

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.**



***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 300-"The First Noel"***

**3 And by the light of that same star  
three wise men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent,  
and to follow the star wherever it went.**

***Refrain***

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.**



***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 300-"The First Noel"***

**4 This star drew near to the northwest,  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
and there it did both stop and stay  
right over the place where Jesus lay.**

***Refrain***

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.**



***Hymn of the Day: ELW # 300-"The First Noel"***

**5 Then entered in those wise men three,  
full rev'rently upon their knee,  
and offered there in his presence  
their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.**

***Refrain***

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.**

# 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 with the Father and the Son is  
worshiped and glorified,**



**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

# **PRAYERS of the PEOPLE**



# Passing of the Peace

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** And also with you.

*(Share the sign of peace in the manner you feel most comfortable.)*





**OFFERTORY:**

*“We Three Kings” – John Henry Hopkins, Jr.*

**CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY: *ELW # 487-"What Feast of Love" verse 1***

**1     What feast of love is offered here,  
what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life,  
what gracious gift is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
How sweet the manna given!**

# OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A**

God of heaven and earth,  
from the beginning, you have called forth life,  
in which you take delight.  
The trees, the fields, and the seas sing for joy.  
Bless now these gifts, received from your bounty,  
that we may join the chorus of creation  
to tell of your salvation from day to day.

**C**

**Amen.**



# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give our thanks and  
praise.**

**“It is indeed  
right....”**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow’r and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**



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## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

# 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,**



# **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** A child has been born for us, a Son given to us.  
Come, receive the gift of Jesus.

**C** **AMEN.**

*ALL baptized Christians are welcome to the Lord's Table  
for the sacrament.*

*Please proceed as directed by the ushers.*

*We will observe Communion at the Altar Rail today.*

*Gluten-free wafers (distributed by Assistant Minister) and grape juice (Clear juice in center of tray) are also offered, if desired.*



**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.**



**Distribution Hymn: *ELW # 167-"Now the Feast and Celebration"***

**Refrain**

**Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!**

**1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us  
to be one great people of God.**



**Distribution Hymn: *ELW # 167-"Now the Feast and Celebration"***

**Refrain**

**Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!**

**2 Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ forever.**



**Distribution Hymn: *ELW # 167-"Now the Feast and Celebration"***

**Refrain**

**Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!**

**3 For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us people of God;  
to make all things new.**



**Distribution Hymn: *ELW # 167-"Now the Feast and Celebration"***

## **Refrain**

**Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!**

# ***ELW # 774-“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”***

- 1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.**



# ***ELW # 774-“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”***

## ***Refrain***

**Leaning, leaning, (*Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**safe and secure from all alarms;**

**leaning, leaning, (*leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**leaning on the everlasting arms.**



## ***ELW # 774-“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”***

- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.**



# ***ELW # 774-“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”***

## ***Refrain***

**Leaning, leaning, (*Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**safe and secure from all alarms;**

**leaning, leaning, (*leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**leaning on the everlasting arms.**





# ***ELW # 774-“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”***

**3    What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.**



# ***ELW # 774-"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"***

## ***Refrain***

**Leaning, leaning, (*Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**safe and secure from all alarms;**

**leaning, leaning, (*leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,*)**

**leaning on the everlasting arms.**

# ***ELW # 787- "On Eagle's Wings"***

**1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!"**



# ***ELW # 787- “On Eagle’s Wings”***

## ***Refrain***

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**



## ***ELW # 787- "On Eagle's Wings"***

**2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under God's wings your refuge,  
with faithfulness your shield.**



# ***ELW # 787- “On Eagle’s Wings”***

## ***Refrain***

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**



## ***ELW # 787- “On Eagle’s Wings”***

**3 You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come.**



# ***ELW # 787- "On Eagle's Wings"***

## ***Refrain***

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**





## ***ELW # 787- "On Eagle's Wings"***

- 4 For to the angels God's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**



# ***ELW # 787- “On Eagle’s Wings”***

## ***Final refrain***

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand;  
and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.**

# ***ELW # 770-"Give Me Jesus"***

**1 In the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise,  
give me Jesus.**

## ***Refrain***

**Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus.**

**You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.**



# ***ELW # 770-"Give Me Jesus"***

**2 Dark midnight was my cry,  
dark midnight was my cry,  
dark midnight was my cry,  
give me Jesus.**

## ***Refrain***

**Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus.**

**You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.**



# ***ELW # 770-"Give Me Jesus"***

**3 Just about the break of day,  
just about the break of day,  
just about the break of day,  
give me Jesus.**

## ***Refrain***

**Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus.  
You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.**



# ***ELW # 770-"Give Me Jesus"***

**4 Oh, when I come to die,  
oh, when I come to die,  
oh, when I come to die,  
give me Jesus.**

## ***Refrain***

**Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus.  
You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.**



# ***ELW # 770-"Give Me Jesus"***

**5    And when I want to sing,  
and when I want to sing,  
and when I want to sing,  
give me Jesus.**

## ***Refrain***

**Give me Jesus,  
give me Jesus.  
You may have all the rest,  
give me Jesus.**



***COMMUNION BLESSING: (Please Stand)***

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C** Amen.



## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** Merciful God,  
we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food.  
Strengthened by this goodness,  
send us forth to announce your peace,  
comfort the afflicted,  
and share the good news of great joy.

**C** **Amen.**

# BLESSING:

**P** The God of love,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
lavish you with grace,  
illumine your path,  
and increase your joy,  
today and always.

**C** Amen

**SENDING HYMN: *ELW # 677-"This Little Light of Mine"***

**1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**



**SENDING HYMN: *ELW # 677-"This Little Light of Mine"***

**2** Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.



**SENDING HYMN: *ELW # 677-"This Little Light of Mine"***

**3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

## DISMISSAL:

**A** Go in peace.

The Word of God dwells in you richly.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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*Carol of the Bells*

***Mykola Leontovich***

