

Hymn 332:1-4:
“Savior of the Nations, Come”

The Prayer of the Day

P Almighty God, You remembered our greatest need by fulfilling Your promise to send us Your Son, who died and rose to deliver us from all sin, death, and the power of the devil. Comfort us with the preaching of the Gospel and fill us with unshakable faith in Your precious promises, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

A Responsive Psalmody ... Psalm 98:1-3, 7-9

P: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

C: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

P: The LORD has made known his salvation;

C: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

P: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

C: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

P: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

C: the world and those who dwell in it!

P: Let the rivers clap their hands;

C: let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

P: He will judge the world with righteousness,

C: and the peoples with equity.

Scripture lesson...Luke 1:26-56

Confession of Faith

(Explanation of Second Article)

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and His innocent suffering and death.

He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy; just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn 333:

“Once He Came in Blessing”

Sermon ... Genesis 3:15; 4:1

SILENCE AND SONG:

—The Silence and Song of Eve—

Offering

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 561: "The Tree of Life"

Luther's Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

The Benediction

Hymn 796:

"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"



Silence & Song

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—Eve's Silence and Song—

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (357:1)

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!



Opening:

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P: Christ is coming soon. Alleluia!

C: We await His return and look for His coming.

P: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare Your praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C: make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Christ is coming soon. Alleluia!

C: We await His return and look for His coming.