



Service of Worship

First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2010

8:45am and 11:00am



"The Annunciation" by Henry Ossawa Tanner, 1898

We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today.

For parents with young children: a nursery is available during all services in the lower level for children under age 5. If you are visiting, please complete the Communication Card located on the chair backs. Hymnals and Bibles are located under each chair.

◆ **Prelude**

◆ **Gathering Song** *People, Look East* 248

◆ **Welcome and Announcements**

◆ **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

◆ **Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who does great things in every generation, who lifts up the lowly, who keeps promises forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us come to the river of life, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Righteous and merciful God,

C: **we confess that we have strayed from your ways and walked our own paths. We fall asleep to the needs around us, yet our anxieties jar us awake. We are bound up in systems of unrighteousness and injustice. Restore your people, O God; renew your creation; and have mercy on us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: Listen to what God is saying, speaking peace to those who turn their hearts: The night is far gone, the day is near. All who have a fearful heart, be strong, do not be afraid! God comes in Jesus Christ and forgives your sin. The Spirit of holiness fill you with wisdom and might, that you may delight in God's ways. **Amen.**

◆ *Special Music and Lighting of the Advent Wreath*

E'en So, Lord Jesus Quickly Come *Peace Choir*

Peace be to you and grace from Him Who freed us from our sin Who loved us all, and shed his blood That we might saved be. Sing holy, holy to our Lord The Lord almighty God Who was and is, and is to come Sing holy, holy Lord. Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein. Rejoice on earth, ye saints below For Christ is coming, Is coming soon For Christ is coming soon. E'en so Lord Jesus quickly come And night shall be no more They need no light, no lamp, nor sun For Christ will be their All!

◆ *Story Time*

MaryLynn Mennicke

◆ *Song* *As The Dark Awaits the Dawn*

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Peace Choir verses 1-3, congregation sings verse 4

◆ *Gospel Reading*

Luke 1:26-38

²⁶ In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹ But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴ Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.

³⁶ And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God."

³⁸ Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be

with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

◆ ***Drama***

◆ ***Message***

Pastor Mark Nelson

◆ ***Song*** *Savior of the Nations, Come (v 1-3, 6)*

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◆ ***(8:45) Apostles' Creed***

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

◆ ***(8:45) Reception of New Members***

◆ ***(11:00) Sacrament of Baptism***

(See insert)

Niklas Whittaker Anderson

◆ ***Giving Back to God/Offertory***

Jesus Loves Me

Mark Pladson

◆ ***Offering Response*** *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

◆ ***Offertory Prayer***

P: God of abundance,

C: we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until

the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

◆ **Prayer Song** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

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 you, O
Israel.

◆ **Prayers of the Church**

We remember in our prayers: **Peace Members:** Vi Turner,
Barbara Lockwood, Chirapaporn Ekegren, Roger Rowlette,
Bob Meyer **Friends of Peace:** Ken Kjeldahl, Jerry Yeager,
Barbara Howell, Roy Jacobson, Lee Jacobson, Deb Simensen,
Karen Fredricks, Tom Bro, Dale Winegar, Scott Hyde, Ruth
Lahti **Military:** Joshua Lee, Matt Janssen, Matt Bartels

◆ **Holy Communion**

*Jesus gives of himself in the bread and wine and invites us to receive
it for the forgiveness of sin. All are welcome at His table. In addition
to red wine, white grape juice is also available. We also have gluten
free/wheat free/corn free/soy free wafers. If you would like this type
please identify yourself when receiving Communion. If you are not
able to come forward to receive Communion please notify an usher
and the bread and wine will be brought to you.*

Words of Institution

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.**

◆ **Distribution Music**

The Angel Gabrielle Evan Hansen
O Lord, How Shall I Meet You (alt. tune) 241

◆ ***Communion Blessing and Prayer***

P: Let us pray:

In this meal of goodness and mercy, O God, our mouths have been filled with laughter and our tongues with shouts of joy. Now send us to gather the harvest of righteousness, that all those who sow in tears may come again to you in joy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

◆ ***God's Blessing to Us***

P: The holy Three, holy One increase your hope, strengthen your faith, deepen your love, and grant you peace. **Amen.**

◆ ***Song***

Fling Wide the Door

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The altar flowers this morning are given by Peggy Cahoon "In appreciation for the kindnesses extended to me by Peace Church members."

It is a privilege to baptize Niklas Whittaker Anderson this morning. Niklas is the son of Scott and Willow Anderson. Niklas was born September 9, 2010. His sponsors are Matthew Najjar and Sherri Fenelon.

Worship Assistants

8:45am

Ushers: Dave and Denise Thoen
Greeters: Vi Engquist
Communion Assistants: Dave and Nancy Dynneson
Music: Jon and Anita Young

11:00am

Ushers: Jason and Holly Rich
Greeters: Ken and Kathy Anderson
Communion Assistant: Tom Tisthammer
Music: Jon and Anita Young

Christmas and Advent Schedule

DECEMBER 5 – *The Journey to Christmas: Mary and Elizabeth*

Second Sunday in Advent

8:45 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

11:00 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

DECEMBER 12 – *The Journey to Christmas: Joseph*

Third Sunday in Advent

8:45 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

11:00 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

DECEMBER 19 – *The Journey to Christmas: The Shepherds*

Fourth Sunday in Advent

8:45 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

11:00 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

DECEMBER 24 – Christmas Eve

3:30pm Worship Service

5:00pm Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

DECEMBER 25 – Christmas Day

9:30 Worship Service –*Holy Communion*

DECEMBER 26 – First Sunday of Christmas

9:30 Worship Service –*Carol Sing*

JANUARY 2 – Second Sunday of Christmas

9:30 Worship Service –*Holy Communion and Carol Sing*



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