



**Midweek Advent 2
Immanuel Lutheran Church - LCMS
Lakefield, Minnesota
December 7, 2022**

[Throughout Holy Scripture, God brought forth important men from the wombs of barren women. One such woman was the wife of Manoah. Through her, God gave oppressed Israel a great deliverer named Samson. But the greatest son to come from an unlikely mother was the Child born of the Virgin Mary; He was the greatest gift this oppressed world will ever receive. Samson's greatness was evident in feats of incredible strength, but the greatness of Mary's Son was seen in His willingness to set aside His power to deliver us from sin, death, and the devil.]

Stand

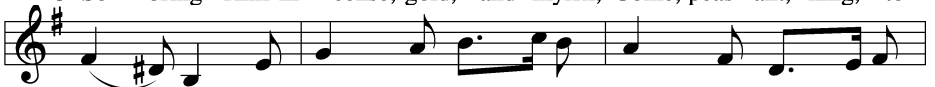
- L** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

Sit

Hymn: 370 What Child Is This



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is
2 Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The
own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;
pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;
song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar - y!

Readings

1st Reading

Judges 13:2–7

L A reading from Judges, chapter 13.

There was a certain man of Zorah, of the tribe of the Danites, whose name was Manoah. And his wife was barren and had no children. And the angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, “Behold, you are barren and have not borne children, but you shall conceive and bear a son. Therefore be careful and drink no wine or strong drink, and eat nothing unclean, for behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. No razor shall come upon his head, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb, and he shall begin to save Israel from the hand of the Philistines.” Then the woman came and told her husband, “A man of God came to me, and his appearance was like the appearance of the angel of God, very awesome. I did not ask him where he was from, and he did not tell me his name, but he said to me, ‘Behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. So then drink no wine or strong drink, and eat nothing unclean, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb to the day of his death.’”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading

Philippians 2:5–11

L A reading from Philippians, chapter 2.

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore

God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

3rd Reading

Luke 1:26–38

L A reading from Luke, chapter 1.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 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 father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

And the angel answered 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 called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." And Mary

said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory (Advent)

LSB 230

L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.

C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

L In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.

C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

Sermon: The Child Who Is a Virgin’s Great Son

Canticle

LSB 933 My Soul Rejoices



1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing— Sing the



great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He



fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion



bles - sing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might - y and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the



ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth - y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the



sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A - br'ham's off - spring



Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

Offering

Stand

Prayer

Kyrie

LSB 233

C Lord, have mercy;

**Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

Collects

L **O Lord, hear my prayer.**
C **And let my cry come to You.**

Collect of the Day

P **O God, by the hands of Samson, You delivered
Your people from the Philistines; but in nail-
scarred hands, You won for us deliverance from all
evil. When trials and tribulations come, remove all
our fears and fix our eyes on Your Son, whose
hands are mighty to defend and save; through Jesus
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.**
C **Amen.**

Collect

P Loving Father, when the angel Gabriel proclaimed the good news of the incarnation, the Virgin Mary trusted Your Word and conceived the Christ Child. Help us to follow her example of hearing and believing Your Word so that Jesus is born in our hearts and we rejoice in His abiding presence both now and always; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for Peace

L O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 234

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 234

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

Hymn: 332 Savior of the Nations, Come *sts. 1-4, 8*



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
4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and
△ 8 Glo - ry to the Fa - ther sing, Glo - ry to the



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:
king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,
Son, our king, Glo - ry to the Spir - it be



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
God was there up - on His throne.
His he - ro - ic course be - gan.
Now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

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Assisting with the Service

Preacher Pastor Phil Beukema

Elder Jason Hendrickson (7:00)

Organist LaDonna Peterson (1:00)

Lori Kruger (7:00)

Acolyte 7th-8th Grade Students (1:00)

Nick Daberkow (7:00)

Usher 7th-8th Grade Students (1:00)

Dave and Carolyn Hansen (7:00)

We Remember in our Prayers

Faye and Frances Roslansky, aunt and uncle of Jason

Roslansky, hospitalized

Donna Bakalyar, sister-in-law of Bruce Bakalyar, diagnosed with lung cancer

Steve Hall in hospice

Our residents at Colonial Manor, Valley View, Meadows and Golden Horizons in Worthington, Keelson Harbour and Accura HealthCare in Spirit Lake, Pathstone in Mankato, Good Sam in Jackson, Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn, Accura HealthCare in Milford

Ines Henning, Don Schulz, Chuck Bergmann, Betty Hage, Dave Ackermann, Berniece Kolander, Joyce Rossow, Bev Hall, Darlene Stender, dealing with health issues

Lori Koerselman, friend of Amy Altman; Pastor Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son of Lila Voehl; Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce Bretzman; Syd Malchow; Carol Olson, from Wisconsin; Denny Daberkow; Duwayne Hoffman, father of Tracey Beeck; Jim Salentiny, uncle of Mark Freking; dealing with cancer

Mike Conro, friend of Pastor and Brandi Beukema; Luann Carlson, sister of Roger Carlson; Brent Pavelko, son-in-law of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar; Charlotte Swarm, daughter of David and Inez Kosen; Presley Hansen, granddaughter of Dave and Carolyn Hansen; Pastor

Travis Loeslie, Bethlehem Morristown; Rob Pohlman, son of Ken Pohlman; Jacob Boe, son of Rose Parrington; Curt Gates, brother-in-law of Miles Voehl (Lila's son), dealing with health issues

All those affected by COVID-19

First Responders

Our Missionaries in the Field

Our Country and Our Military

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1. Facebook: "Immanuel Lutheran Church" on Wednesday 12/7 at 7:00 p.m. or any time after.
2. YouTube: "Immanuel Lutheran Church and School Lakefield" on Wednesday 12/7 at 7:00 p.m. or any time after.
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Advent and Christmas Worship Services:

- Advent: Wednesday 12/14 at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas Eve: Saturday 12/24 at 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas Day: Sunday 12/25 at 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday School Christmas: Saturday 12/24 at 4:00 p.m.
- ILS Christmas: Wednesday 12/21 at 12:00 & 7:00 p.m.

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