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Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today,
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***Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live,
Learn, Share, and Serve'***

*Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of
Christian faith in our community, to all
generations, wherever they may be'*

First Sunday in Advent

A Time of Preparation

Prelude

"At Your Name"

At Your name The mountains shake and crumble
At Your name The oceans roar and tumble
At Your name angels will bow The earth will rejoice
Your people cry out

Lord of all the earth we shout Your name Shout Your name
Filling up the skies with endless praise Endless praise
Yahweh Yahweh We love to shout Your name oh Lord

At Your name The morning breaks in glory
At Your name Creation sings Your story
At Your name angels will bow The earth will rejoice
Your people cry out

Lord of all the earth we shout Your name Shout Your name
Filling up the skies with endless praise Endless praise
Yahweh Yahweh We love to shout Your name oh Lord

There is no one like our God We will praise You praise You
There's no one like our God We will sing we will sing
There is no one like our God We will praise You praise You
There's no one like our God We will sing

Lord of all the earth we'll shout Your name Shout Your name
Filling up the skies with endless praise Endless praise
Yahweh Yahweh We love to shout Your name oh Lord

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Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

Opening 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 thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

“I Speak Jesus”

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
'Til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom
I speak Jesus

Your Name is power Your Name is healing
Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression
I speak Jesus

Your Name is power Your Name is healing

Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows Burn like a fire

Shout Jesus from the mountains Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus

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I speak the holy Name Jesus

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Your Name is life Break ev'ry stronghold
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I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

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First Reading

Isaiah 64:1-4

¹ Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³ When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴ From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:24-27

²⁴“But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Message Song

“Same God”

I'm calling on the God of Jacob
Whose love endures through generations
I know that You will keep Your covenant

I'm calling on the God of Moses
The one who opened up the ocean
I need you now to do the same thing for me

I'm calling on the God of Mary
Whose favor rests upon the lowly
I know with You all things are possible

I'm calling on the God of David
Who made a shepherd boy courageous
I may not face Goliath But I've got my own giants
Oh God my God I need You Oh God my God I need You now
How I need You now
Oh Rock oh Rock of ages I'm standing on Your faithfulness
You heard Your children then You hear Your children now
You are the same God You are the same God
You answered prayers back then And You will answer now
You are the same God You are the same God
You were providing then You are providing now
You are the same God You are the same God
You moved in power then God move in power now
You are the same God You are the same God
You were a healer then You are a healer now
You are the same God You are the same God
You were a Savior then You are a Savior now
You are the same God You are the same God
Oh God my God I need You Oh God my God I need You now
How I need You now
Oh Rock oh Rock of ages I'm standing on Your faithfulness
You freed the captives then You're freeing hearts right now
You are the same God You are the same God
You touched the lepers then I feel Your touch right now
You are the same God You are the same God
I'm calling on the Holy Spirit
Almighty river come and fill me again
Come and fill me again Come and fill me again

Message

"Coming, Going, Staying"

Offering

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Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.**

Blessing

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C Amen.**

Sending Song

"Glorious Day"

I was buried beneath my shame. Who could carry that kind of weight?
It was my tomb 'til I met You.

I was breathing but not alive. All my failures I tried to hide.
It was my tomb 'til I met You.

You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!
You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!

Now Your mercy has saved my soul. Now Your freedom is all that I know.
The old made new, Jesus, when I met You.

You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!

Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!
You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!

I needed rescue. My sin was heavy, but chains break at the weight of Your glory.

I needed shelter. I was an orphan. Now You call me a citizen of Heaven.

When I was broken, You were my healing;
now Your love is the air that I'm breathing.

I have a future. My eyes are open,

'Cause when You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!

Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!

You called my name, and I ran out of that grave!

Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!

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