

# Contemporary Service

9:30 am

# Reflection Questions

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Hope has a Name

Lighting the Candle of Love

The Father's House

Prayer of Confession

A King Like This

Passing the Peace

Announcements

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Scripture Reading John 14:1-14 & Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Everlasting Father

*Third in the Series "He Shall Be Called"*

Song

Here Comes Heaven

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Prayer

Blessing

*He Shall Be Called*  
**Everlasting Father**

**John 14:1-14**

1. As joyous and wonderful as the Christmas holidays can be, what are some ways they can be hard or challenging for people?
2. Read John 14:1-14. These words—spoken to the disciples on the night Jesus was arrested—were some of his final words to them. What were they troubled about that night?
3. In verses 2-4, how does Jesus prepare the disciples for his impending death? What words of comfort does he give them? Where did Jesus say he was going?
4. What was Thomas' question for Jesus and what was his answer? What does it mean that Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life?"
5. What does Jesus teach us in verses 6b -11 about his relationship to God the Father? How does this passage shed light on how to think about Isaiah's name for the Messiah to come: "Everlasting Father?"
6. How do verses 13-14 inform us on how to pray? What does Jesus say are the reasons we should pray? How does this inform what types of things we should be praying for?
7. What troubles you in this world? In your life? How might you view those troubles differently in light of what Jesus says to his disciples in these verses?
8. Pray for a closer relationship with God the Father through Jesus Christ.



## Program Staff

Spencer Lundgaard, Senior Pastor  
Greg Buell, Associate Pastor for Discipleship & Caring Ministries  
Ed Burton, Minister of Family Ministries  
Luke Stoner, Minister of Contemporary Worship/Sr. High Youth  
Jesse Borower, Director of Music (Traditional)



**December 11, 2022**  
**3rd Sunday of Advent**

# Traditional Service

11:00 am

**Prelude**      **Of the Father's Love Begotten**  
(Composer: John R. Watkinson)

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn**    **On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry**      **#70**  
(Verses 1-3)

**Lighting the Candle of Love**

**Missa Carolae**    **Processional Introit and Kyrie Eleison**  
*Lord have mercy*  
*Christ have mercy*  
*Lord have mercy*

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Lord, we have not kept watch for you. We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns. We have not waited to find your will for us. We have not noticed the needs of the people around us. We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness. Help us to wait to know your will. Help us to look out for the needs of others. Help us to work and watch for your coming.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)*

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**Missa Carolae**      **Gloria in Excelsis**

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
We give you thanks for your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father,  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

**Scripture Reading**    **John 14:1-14 & Isaiah 9:2, 6-7**  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Missa Carolae**      **Sanctus**  
*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest.*

**Sermon**      **Everlasting Father**  
*Third in the Series "He Shall Be Called"*

**Missa Carolae**      **Benedictus**  
*Blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

**Hymn**      **Good Christian Friends, Rejoice**      **#98**

**Prayers of the People & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Missa Carolae**      **Agnus Dei**  
*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**      **Prepare the Way, O Zion**  
(Swedish /arr. Marz)

## Worship Participants

Sermon	Greg Buell
Announcements & Liturgist	Spencer Lundgaard
Worship Leader	Luke Stoner (9:30)
Lighting the Candle of Love	WE Group
	Joan Solem & Carol Rohrbaugh (9:30)
	Joan Solem & Edna MacMillin (11:00)
Scripture Readers	Cathy Burnham (9:30)
	Jack West (11:00)
Prayers of the People	Gerri Kirby (9:30)
	Spencer Lundgaard (11:00)
Director of Music (Traditional)	Jesse Borower (11:00)
Organist	Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Missa Carolae	Village Church Choir
Soprano Soloists	Angela De Venuto & Loren Myers
Alto Soloist	Laura Boguslavsky
	<b>Trumpet</b>
	Shea Kelsay
	Sarah Jesson
	Quincy Erickson
	<b>Trombone</b>
	Kurt Eide
	Alex Ertl
	Alex Mullins
	<b>Piccolo</b>
	Vaynu Kadiyali
	<b>Percussion</b>
	Ashlee Allaire
	Benjy Krauss

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