# Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church The Fourth Sunday in Advent December 20, 2020



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# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

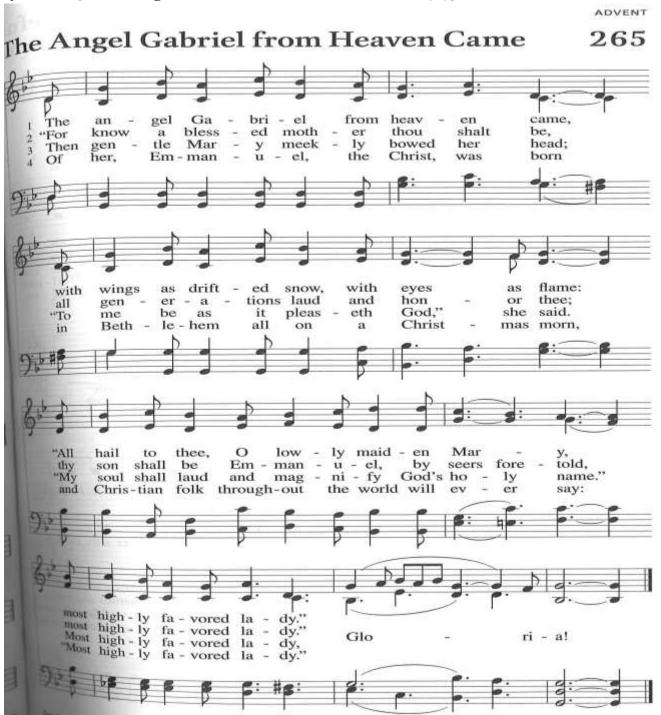
Prelude: Advent Medley Curt Oliver

# Greeting and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle—LOVE
Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah
Readings and Candle lighting for Advent 4—LOVE

ELW 240, vs 4

# Hymn #265 "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came (vs. 1,2,3)



# The Apostolic Greeting

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

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 1:26-38

In this annunciation, Luke makes clear that God comes with good news for ordinary people from little known places. This king will not be born to royalty in a palace, but to common folk in a stall. Here Luke highlights the role of the Spirit, a special emphasis in this gospel.

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." <sup>29</sup>But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>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. <sup>33</sup>He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." <sup>34</sup>Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" <sup>35</sup>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. <sup>36</sup>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. <sup>37</sup>For nothing will be impossible with God." <sup>38</sup>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.

# Children's Message

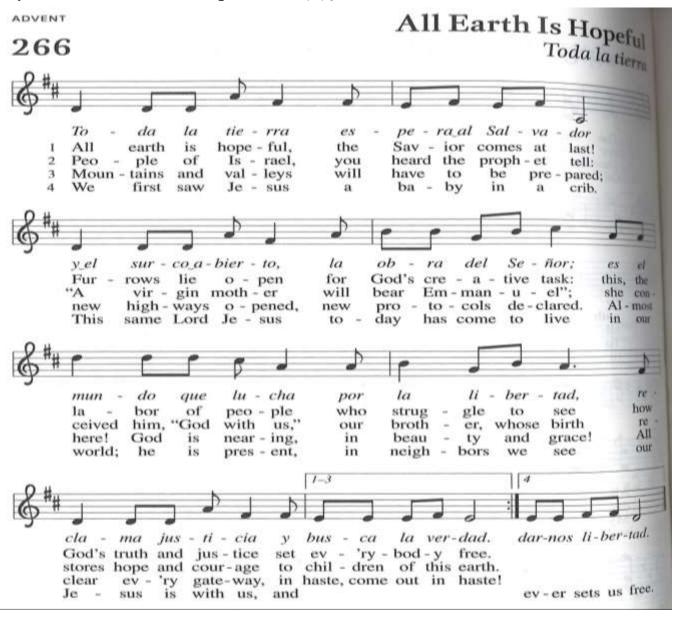
Anthem: "God's Love Made Visible"
Singers: Marlys, Vicki and Hank

Dave and Iola Brubeck

God's love made visible! Incomprehensible! He is invincible! His love shall reign!
From love so bountiful, Blessings uncountable Make death surmountable! His love shall reign!
Joyfully pray for peace and good will! All of men's yearning He will fulfill.
Live in a loving way! Praise Him for ev'ry day! Open your hearts and pray, His love shall reign!

God gave His Son to us To dwell as one of us. His blessing unto us! His love shall reign!
To Him all honor bring, Heaven and earth will sing, Praising our Lord and King! His love shall reign!
Open all doors the day of His birth, All of good will inherit the earth.
His star will always be guiding humanity throughout eternity! His love shall reign!

## Hymn # 266 "All Earth is Hopeful" (vs. 1,2,4)

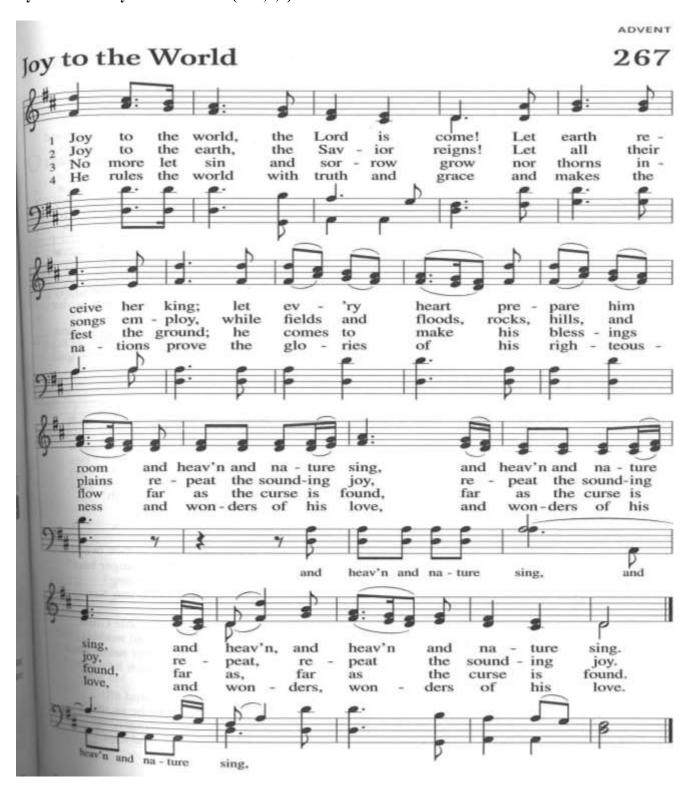


The Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Hymn #267 "Joy to the World" (vs.1,2,3)



Dismissal

Postlude: Ding Dong Merrily On High

Lee Evans

Please join us Sunday at 11am for our virtual Café Hope over ZOOM. Check your email for the message from Hope with the link to the online meeting.

# Serving in Today's Worship

Pastor: Dan Severson Reader: Margo Kannenberg Piano: Vaughn Jones and Jan Gunderson Vocals: Hank Harper, Vicki Hanson, Marlys Jungroth Organist: Vaughn Jones

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