

**First Sunday in Advent  
November 27, 2022**

Prelude / Bell

Welcome

Song *Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying* ELW 436

Lighting the Advent Wreath

L: Keep awake. Stay alert. The kingdom of God is near.

**C: We are God's partners in hope.**

L: The days are surely coming when God will fulfill the promise.

**C: We are God's partners in hope.**

L: A righteous branch will spring up and will bring forth justice.

**C: We are God's partners in hope.**

L: Stand up. Raise your hands. Your redemption is drawing near.

**C: We are God's partners in hope.**

L: As we light this first Advent candle, the candle of hope, may we be partners in hope, witnesses to the promise that hope is coming. It is being born into the world. **Amen.**

Song *Light One Candle* ELW 240 v. 1

Prayer

L: Lord Jesus Christ, we await your coming, we wait filled with hope,

**C: Knowing that your light will shine in the darkness.**

L: We wait anticipating your peace.

**C: Believing that one day it will fill our world.**

L: We wait embracing your love,

**C: May we reach out to share it with our neighbors.**

L: We wait with joy,

**C: Filling us with expectation of your birth,**

L: Lord we wait,

**C: Come soon and fill us with your life. Amen.**

Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Responsive Psalm Psalm 122

L: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

**C: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

L: Jerusalem - built as a city that is bound firmly together.

**C: To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**

L: For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

**C: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.**

L: Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."

**C: For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you."**

L: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

Reading Romans 13:11-14

L: The Word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* ELW 257 v. 1

Gospel Reading Matthew 24:36-44

L: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn *Savior of the Nations, Come* ELW 263 vs. 1-3, 6

Prayers

Offering / Offertory *My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness* ELW 251 v. 1

Great Thanksgiving See Insert

Song *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* ELW 247

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer / Communion

Blessing / Benediction

Closing Hymn *Soon and Very Soon* ELW 439

Dismissal / Bell / Postlude

*You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love  
and respect and God is using you to care for the world.*

### We Thank

Ushers / Communion Servers  
Reader: Larry Powers

Organist / Pianist: RaNae Martinson  
Sound / Screens/ Recording

### Nordland's Week & Notices

Today 9:15 /10:30 Fellowship (No Sunday school) / Communion Worship  
Wed. 6 /6:30 pm Wed. Meal / Confirmation & Education  
Thur. 5:30 pm Paynesville Historical Society Meeting, fellowship hall  
Sat. 8:00 am Men in the Basement  
2 – 6 pm Live Nativity by Nordland at the Gazebo Park in Paynesville  
Sun. 9:15 /10:30 Education & Fellowship / Communion Worship

If you would like to order poinsettia plants in memory or honor of a loved one, please complete a form (check you church mailbox or extra forms are at the ushers counter) and place in the Sunday's offering. Orders due Sun., Dec. 4, make check payable to "Sisters at Heart".

Sunday School Christmas Program is Dec. 18, 10:30 am, practices Sun. Dec. 4, 11, & 18 at 9:15 am.

NLCW Secret Sister Potluck Christmas Party will be on Sun., Dec. 18, 11:30 am. If you would like to be added to or taken off the Secret Sister program for 2023 please contact Judy Deadrick.

Reminder: If you notice kitchen items being low or out, please call or text Lisa Hegg at 320-905-8250.

Great [Thanksgiving](#) (Insert)

L: Holy God,  
you alone are holy, you alone are God.  
**C: The universe declares your praise:**  
L: beyond the stars;  
**C: beneath the sea;**  
L: within each cell;  
**C: with every breath.**  
**We praise you, O God.**

L: Generations bless your faithfulness:

**C: through the water;  
by night and day;**

L: across the wilderness;

**C: out of exile; into the future.**

**We bless you, O God.**

L: We give you thanks for your dear Son:

at the heart of human life;

**C: near to those who suffer;**

L: beside the sinner;

**C: among the poor; with us now.**

**We thank you, O God.**

L: Remembering his love for us on the way,

at the table, and to the end,

**C: we proclaim the mystery of faith:**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

L: We pray for the gift of your Spirit:

in our gathering;

**C: within this meal;**

**among your people;**

**throughout the world.**

**C: Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God,**

**through Christ Jesus,**

**by your Spirit, in your church,**

**without end. Amen.**