

Wittenberg Lutheran Church

711 W Elm St., Norwood Young America, Minnesota 55368

Worship: 9:30 AM

Christmas Day

December 25, 2016

Order of Service

Divine Service, Rite Two, Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary, p. 60

Opening Hymn, TLH 84 — *Christians awake*

Introit

Antiphon, Isaiah 9:6

Unto us a Child is born, and unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called, Wonderful Counselor.

Psalm 98:1–4

Oh, sing to the | Lórd a néw song! *

For He | hás done márv'lous things;

The Lord has made | knówn His salvátion; *

His righteousness He has revealed in the | síght of the nátions.

He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the | hóuse of Ísrael;*

All the ends of the earth have seen the sal- | vátion óf our God.

Shout joyfully | tó the Lord, áll the earth;*

Break forth in song, re- | jóice, and sing práises.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Hóly Spírit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | éver sháll be,

world with- | óut end. Ámen.

Repeat Antiphon

The Kyrie — *II, p. 63*

The Gloria

The Collect

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your mercy and compassion You allowed Your dear Son to become incarnate, and through Him redeemed us from sin and everlasting death: We beseech You, enlighten our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may ever be thankful for such grace, and comfort ourselves with the same in all tribulation and temptation, and at last obtain eternal

salvation through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 40:17–21, 34–38

The Glory of the Lord Fills the Tabernacle

Gradual — *Psalm 118:26–27, 23*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the | Lord! *

God is the Lord, and He has | gíven us light.

This was the Lord's | dóing; *

It is | márvelous ín our eyes.

Epistle Lesson

Titus 3:4–7

The washing of rebirth

Verse — *Liturgical Text*

Allelúia. *

Allelúia.

A holy day has dawned up- | ón us. *

Come, all you nations, and worship the Lord. Alle- | lúia.

Alleluia

Gospel Lesson

John 1:1–14

The Word Became Flesh

The Nicene Creed

Chief Hymn, 135 — *Now Sing We, Now Rejoice*

Sermon

The Offertory

The Prayer of the Church, page 96

The Service of Holy Communion

Exhortation to the Communicants (page 77)

The Preface (page 72)

The Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

The Agnus Dei

The Distribution

Nunc Dimittis

Collect

Hymn of Thanks, 149 — *In Thee is Gladness*

Benediction

Closing Hymn, 142 — *Rejoice, Rejoice This Happy Morn*

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS in the name of Jesus Christ! Wittenberg Lutheran Church confesses and practices the doctrine of Holy Scripture, as we have received it restored unto us by Luther, and confirmed in the public confessions of our Church, the Book of Concord, 1580. If you have any questions about the Lutheran faith, or about our congregation, please direct them to Pastor Diers.

*Giving thanks to God always, Who has chosen us for salvation
through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.*

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