* Call to Worship: based on Joel 2:1 Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming. It is close at hand. Come, let us worship God.

* **Opening Prayer**

* Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes #335:1,3,4 (PH)

Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, The Savior promised long! Let every heart prepare a throne, And every voice a song.

He comes the broken heart to bind, The wounded soul to cure; And with the treasures of His grace To enrich the humbled poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, Your welcome shall proclaim; And heaven's eternal arches ring With your beloved name.

* Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Infant holy, infant lowly, For his bed a cattle stall; Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the child is Lord of all. Swiftly winging angels singing, Bells are ringing, tidings bringing: Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping Vigil till the morning new Saw the glory, heard the story, Tidings of a gospel true. Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, Praises voicing, greet the morrow: Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you! * O Come, Let Us Adore Him

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

We'll praise His name forever, we'll praise His name forever, We'll praise His name forever, Christ the Lord.

We'll give Him all the glory, we'll give Him all the glory, We'll give Him all the glory, Christ the Lord.

For He alone is worthy, for He alone is worthy, For He alone is worthy, Christ the Lord.

Profession of Faith: Our World Belongs to God Art. 57,58 We long for that day when Jesus will return as triumphant king, when the dead will be raised and all people will stand before his judgment. We face that day without fear, for the Judge is our Savior. Our daily lives of service aim for the moment when the Son will present his people to the Father. Then God will be shown to be true, holy, and gracious. Then we will join in the new song to the Lamb without blemish who made us a kingdom and priests. God will be all in all, righteousness and peace will flourish, everything will be made new, and every eye will see at last that our world belongs to God! Hallelujah! Come, Lord Jesus.

Offering: Ken & Chris

Evening Prayer

#353:1,2 (PH)

* *Hallelujah, What a Savior!* "Man of Sorrows!" what a name For the Son of God, who came Ruined sinners to reclaim! Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King, All his ransomed home to bring, Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah, what a Savior! * Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (ESV) pg. 1238 ¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: When Will Jesus Come Back Again? The Second Advent

* Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear! The evening is advancing and darker night is near. The Bridegroom is arising and soon he will draw nigh; Up, watch in expectation! At midnight comes the cry.

The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near; Go forth as he approaches, with alleluias clear. The marriage feast is waiting; the gates wide open stand. Arise, O heirs of glory; the Bridegroom is at hand!

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear; Arise, O Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere. With hearts and hands up-lifted, we plead, O Lord, to see The day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

* God's Blessing

* Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born. *Repeat All*

* please join us in standing if able

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