

Nights of Awe & Wonder

Rejoice

ADVENT III

NORMANDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 14, 2022

Advent Vespers

6:30pm

PREPARATION

WELCOME

DIALOGUE

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Jesus Christ is the light of the world, **the light no darkness can overcome.**
Stay with us Lord, for it is evening, **and the day is almost over.**
Let your light scatter the darkness **and illumine your church.**

OPENING

BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

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HYMN OF LIGHT (back of bulletin)

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

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PSALMODY (Group One - treble voices; Group Two - bass voices)

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WORD

READING

Luke 1:46b-55

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SILENCE

REFLECTION

Pastor

CHORALE RESPONSE

Magnificat

Cesare de Zacharia
arr. Larry J. Long

PRAYERS

LITANY

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PRAYER

God of all that is good, source of all joy, we praise you for the gladness that comes to us in your promise. We celebrate the holy disruption that dismantles sin and brings new life and new beginnings. Holy God, in whom all creation delights, receive our thanks and our joy as an offering. Move within us and use us to reflect hope into the world, and to carry good tidings of great joy to every place we go. In the name of the Holy One, who was, is, and is to come. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Sung)

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ANTHEM

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Hugo Distler

SENDING

BLESSING

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HYMN

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers (Stanzas 1,4)

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(Offering plates available in narthex before and after worship)

Joyous Light of Glory

Leader



Joy-ous light of glo - ry:

All



of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,
bless - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the
set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.
We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:
You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -
ev - er. O Son of God, O giv - er of life:
The u - ni - verse pro - claims your glo - ry.

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Music: Roger T. Petrich

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