

Welcome! To those who worship with us today we bid welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is our prayer that this service will enable you to seek His forgiveness and prepare you for a new week with our Savior as together we recommit ourselves to serving Him. Visitors, please introduce yourselves to the pastor and sign our guest book prior to leaving this morning.

† **FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS** †

December 31, 2023

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WELCOME *(Please Stand)*

INVOCATION HYMN "Angels From the Realms of Glory".....LSB #367

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *(Please Kneel/Stand)*.....Page 184

INTROIT *(Bethel =ALL, Zion=Cantors)*.....Psalm 98:1-4

P: The LORD has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the / nations,

*and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation / of our God.

C: OH SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG, FOR HE HAS DONE / MARVELOUS THINGS!

*HIS RIGHT HAND AND HIS HOLY ARM HAVE WORKED SALVA- / TION FOR HIM.

P: The LORD has made known His sal- / vation;

*He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the / nations.

C: HE HAS REMEMBERED HIS STEADFAST LOVE AND FAITHFULNESS TO THE HOUSE OF / ISRAEL.

*ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH HAVE SEEN THE SALVATION / OF OUR GOD.

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, / all the earth;

*break forth into joyous song and sing / praises!

C: GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND / TO THE SON

*AND TO THE HOLY / SPIRIT;

AS IT WAS IN THE BE- / GINNING,

*IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER. / AMEN.

THE LORD HAS BARED HIS HOLY ARM BEFORE THE EYES OF ALL THE / NATIONS,

*AND ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH SHALL SEE THE SALVATION / OF OUR GOD.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING *(Please Be Seated)*.....Isaiah 61:10-62:3

GRADUAL *(Bethel =ALL, Zion=Cantors)*Isaiah 9:6

TO US A CHILD IS BORN, TO US A SON IS / GIVEN;

*AND THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE UPON HIS / SHOULDER.

AND HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED WONDERFUL COUNSELOR, / MIGHTY GOD,

*EVERLASTING FATHER, / PRINCE OF PEACE.

SING TO THE LORD A / NEW SONG,

*FOR HE HAS DONE / MARVELOUS THINGS!

EPISTLE.....Galatians 4:4-7

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HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke 2:22-40

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

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THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AT BETHEL *(Please Be Seated)*.....Dr. Gary Swanson

HYMN OF THE DAY "Let Altogether Praise Our God"LSB #389

SERMON.....Rev. Donn E. Woolweber

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CLOSING HYMN "O God, Our Help In Ages Past"LSB #733

