

**Newark Lutheran Church**  
**December 1<sup>st</sup> 2024**  
**Welcome & Announcements**

**Opening~ Hymn #5**

*“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

Come Thou long expected Jesus,  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us;  
Let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel’s Strength and Consolation,  
Hope of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear Desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all sufficient merit  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

**Call to Worship and Prayer**

**Confession of Sin:**

P: Let us confess our sins

**C: Dear Heavenly Father, we bow before  
You to seek Your forgiveness for our sins.  
We have sinned by disobedience and  
omission, with pride and selfishness, and  
with disrespect and unrighteous living. For  
these we are truly sorrowful and seek Your  
mercy and grace. Cleanse us according to  
Your Word in the Name of Jesus Christ our  
Lord, Amen.**

**Absolution:**

Almighty God has had mercy on us. He forgives us our sins, and brings us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

**1st Lesson: Isaiah 61:1-7**

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor;  
he has sent me to bind up the  
brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and the opening of the prison to those who  
are bound;  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to grant to those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a beautiful headdress instead  
of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the garment of praise instead of a faint  
spirit;  
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the Lord, that he may be  
glorified.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins;  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks;  
foreigners shall be your plowmen and  
vinedressers;  
but you shall be called the priests of the Lord;  
they shall speak of you as the ministers of

our God;  
you shall eat the wealth of the nations,  
and in their glory you shall boast.  
Instead of your shame there shall be a double  
portion;  
instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in  
their lot;  
therefore in their land they shall possess a  
double portion;  
they shall have everlasting joy.  
*This is the Word of the Lord ~Thanks Be To God!*

**Epistle Lesson: Romans 13:11-14**

Besides this you know the time, that  
the hour has come for you to wake from  
sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than  
when we first believed. The night is far gone;  
the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the  
works of darkness and put on the armor of  
light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime,  
not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual  
immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling  
and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus  
Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to  
gratify its desires.  
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**Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21:1-11**

Now when they drew near to  
Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the  
Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two  
disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village  
in front of you, and immediately you will find  
a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them  
and bring them to me. If anyone says  
anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord  
needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”  
This took place to fulfill what was spoken by  
the prophet, saying,

“Say to the daughter of Zion,  
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a beast of  
burden.’”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

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### ***Apostles Creed:***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### ***Pulpit***

*“Jesus Is Coming Again”*

Marvelous message we bring  
Glorious carol we sing  
Wonderful word of the King  
Jesus is coming again

**Chorus:**

**Coming again coming again  
Maybe morning maybe noon  
Maybe evening and maybe soon  
Coming again coming again  
Oh what a wonderful day it will be  
Jesus is coming again**

Forest and flower exclaim  
Mountain and meadow the same  
All earth and heaven proclaim  
Jesus is coming again (**Chorus**)

Standing before Him at last  
Trial and trouble all past  
Crowns at His feet we will cast  
Jesus is coming again (**Chorus**)

### ***Kid’s Bible Time***

***Message: Pastor Jon Benson***

**“The DAY is Coming”**

*Romans 13:11-14*

***Offertory~ Hymn #10***

*“The King Shall Come”*

The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light triumphant breaks,  
When beauty gilds the eastern hills  
And life to joy awakes.

Not as of old a little child,  
To bear and fight and die,

But crowned with glory like the sun  
That lights the morning sky.

Oh, brighter than the rising morn  
When Christ, victorious, rose  
And left the lonesome place of death,  
Despite the rage of foes.

Oh, brighter than that glorious morn  
Shall dawn upon our race  
The day when Christ in splendor comes,  
And we shall see His face.

The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light and beauty brings.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:  
Come quickly, King of kings.

### ***Offertory Response***

*“We Give Thee but Thine Own”*

We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

### ***Lord’s Prayer***

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### ***Benediction***

## ***Closing~ Hymn #155***

*“Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending”*

Lo! He comes with clouds descending,  
Once for favored sinners slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending  
Swell the triumph of His train;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Christ the Lord returns to reign.

Ev'ry eye shall now behold Him  
Robed in glorious majesty;  
Those who set at nought and sold Him,  
Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,  
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing,  
Shall their true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of His Passion  
Still His dazzling body bears,  
Cause of endless exultation  
To His ransomed worshipers.  
With what rapture, with what rapture,  
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, amen, let all adore Thee,  
High on Thine eternal throne;  
Savior, take the pow'r and glory,  
Claim the kingdom as Thine own.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Thou shalt reign, and Thou alone!

*Thank you for worshiping with us today.  
May you be strengthened for His works this week.*