

**CREED:** LSB 191 (*or inside back cover*)

**HYMN OF DAY:** LSB 345

**MEDITATION**

**OFFERTORY:** LSB 192 (*"Create in Me"*)

**THE OFFERING**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**COMMUNION LIT:** LSB 194ff

**DIST HYMNS:** LSB 347; LSB 346

**CLSG CANTICLE:** LSB 199 (*"Nunc Dimittis"*)

**CLOSING HYMN:** LSB 331



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† The Third Sunday in Advent †  
 St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
 December 17, 2017 (10:30 am service)

**VERSE:** Alleluia. Stir up your might and come to save us. Alleluia. (Ps. 80:2b)

**PRAYER:** O Lord, accept our prayer and supplication and grant that we may heed the call of John to prepare the way for Your Son, and receive Him into our hearts, that we may become Your children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Sermon:** "Rejoicing rather than Taking Offense at the Coming of the Christ"  
 (Saint Matthew 11:2-10)

**Preacher:** Pr. Matthew Moss

**Liturgist:** Pr. Matthew Johnson

**Kantor:** Dr. Crystal Rossow

**Prelude:** Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding (James L. Brauer)

**Offering:** Comfort, Comfort Ye My People (Charles W. Ore)

**Postlude:** On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (Jacob B. Weber)

Altar Guild: Theresa Gaffer & Jill Gehl

Worship Assistants: 8:00 am: Greg Christopher  
 10:30 am: Dan Holthus

Acolytes: 8:00 am: Sam Say & Zach Kappel  
 10:30 am: Jack Stoffels & Reece Fish

Ushers: 8:00 am: Larry Jobes, Rod Priebe, Jack Schalo  
 10:30 am: Joel Johnson, Ben Kemna, John Meyer,  
 Danny Schilling, Wayne Schutte

Money Counters: Courtney Oakland, Russ Reznecheck,  
 Craig Schutte, Jack Wold

**THIS WEEK:** The congregations in our circuit are praying for Shepherd of the Grove Lutheran & Childcare Center, Maple Grove, and Pastor Tim Lamkin, Sr.

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL:** This week we pray for BOE Deacons Dave Huth & Stu Glock and the Board Members, and also for our Sixth Grade Teacher Kyle Peterman.

**SCHEDULE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER:** At the Reformation the Lutheran Churches celebrated the Lord's Supper "every Sunday and on other festivals" (Apology XXIV, 1). We follow this fine custom and so offer the Lord's Supper every Sunday at both morning Divine Services. Individual glasses are used in the 8:00 a.m. Divine Service on the first Sunday in the month and in the 10:30 a.m. Divine Service on the second Sunday in the month. All other celebrations use the chalice.

**Sunday School Christmas Program: Joy to the World!**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** O Come, All Ye Faithful (Congregation v.1) LSB 379

**READINGS:**

**HYMN:** Away In a Manger (Pre-K v.1 and 2, All grades v.3) LSB 364

**HYMN:** The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came (Congregation) LSB 356

**Refrain ~** All Children: The Lord is come!  
**Congregation:** Joy to the world!!

**HYMN:** Joy to the World (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.1) LSB 387

**HYMN:** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.1) LSB 380

**Refrain ~** All Children: The Lord is come!  
**Congregation:** Joy to the world!!

**HYMN:** Joy to the World (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.2) LSB 387

**HYMN:** What Child is This (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.1) (Congregation v.2 & 3) LSB 370

**Refrain ~** All Children: The Lord is come!  
**Congregation:** Joy to the world!!

**HYMN:** Joy to the World (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.3) LSB 387

**Refrain ~** All Children: The Lord is come!  
**Congregation:** Joy to the world!!

**HYMN:** Joy to the World (K-5<sup>th</sup> v.4) LSB 387

**HYMN:** O Come, All Ye Faithful (Congregation v.2) LSB 379