# KidsChoir Christmas Program 2024



Arrangers: Jeff Anderson, Dana Anderson, Brentwood Benson

# The Divine Service

Third Sunday in Advent December 15, 2024

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Advent is the season of waiting! As we wait, we have a special job to do. We joyfully get ready for Jesus' arrival by remembering the ministry of John the Baptist, who came as a witness to Christ, the light of the world. John himself was not the light, nor was he the centerpiece of God's plan to save the world; no, John's life was dedicated to preparing the way before the Lord and to get people ready for Jesus coming to the rescue of His people. In many ways, we are invited to be like John. Through our personal witness to Christ in our interpersonal relationships with others, God is working through us so that others will come to know His Son. Our goal is not only to trust in Jesus for ourselves but also to let the world know that He is coming to save them too. And His soon -to-come arrival will be well worth the wait!

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### REMEBRANCE OF BAPTISM

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

# **BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and

worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not

in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive

sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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Pastor: Most merciful God,

People: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free

ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and

deed, by what we have done and by what we have left

undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your

ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for

His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father

and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.



## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

# "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

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- 1 Hark! The her ald an gels sing, "Glo ry to the new-born King;
- 2 Christ, by high est heav'n a dored, Christ, the ev er last ing Lord,
- 3 Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righ-teous-ness!



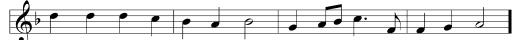
Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"

Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir-gin's womb.

Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; Veiled in flesh the God-head see, Hail the in-car - nate De - i - ty! Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,



With the an-gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!" Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Je - sus, our Im-man-u - el! Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec-ond birth.



Hark! The her-ald an-gels sing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King!"

## **GREETING**

Pastor: Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near!

The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, "Lord in Your mercy," Congregation responds, "Hear our prayer."

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH & CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

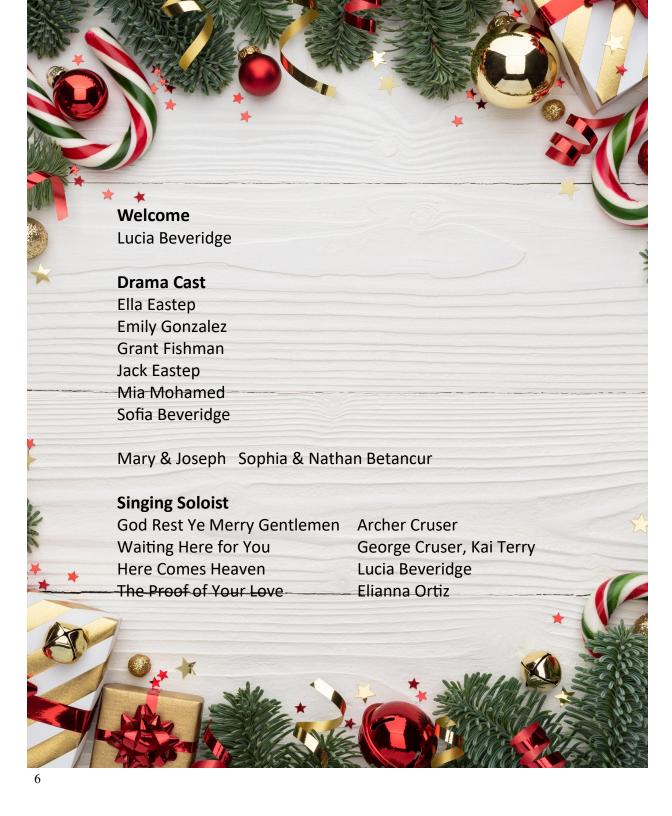
# **GATHERING OF GIFTS**

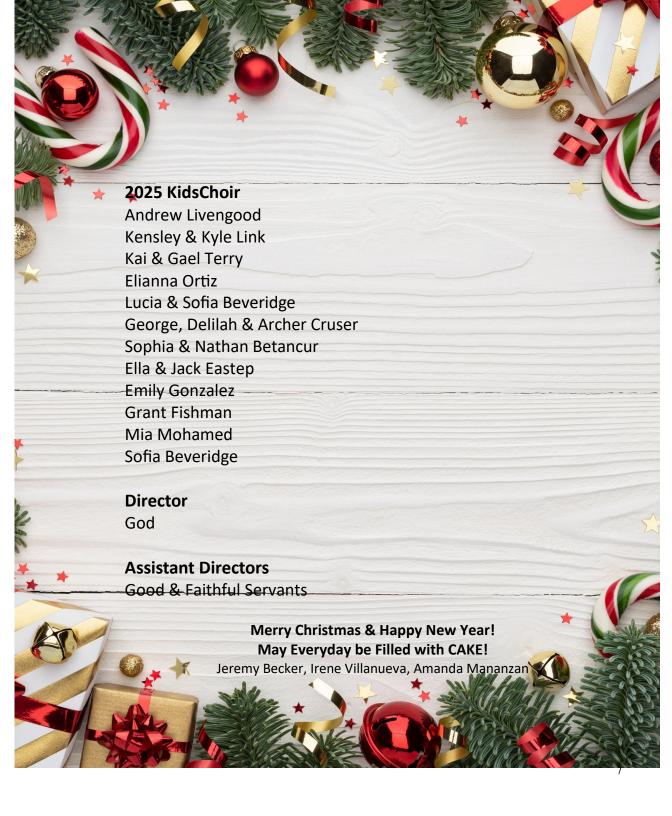


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# **Christmas Eve Worship Services**

December 24 - 5:00 p.m.

(Family service/No communion)

December 24 - 8:00 p.m. & 10:30 p.m.

(Candlelight communion service)

# **Christmas Day Worship Service**

December 25 - 10:00 a.m.

(Traditional Service with communion)

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday School for children and youth: 9:45 AM Adult Bible Study: 10:00 AM



