



MESSIAH
LUTHERAN CHURCH
MADISON, ALABAMA

ADVENT MID-WEEK WORSHIP 2025

Holden Evening Prayer

** please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

INVOCATION

*GATHERING HYMN "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

ELW #528

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Psalm 136:1 (Latin); Taizé Community
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*GATHERING LITANY

In the busyness of this season,
it is hard to feel still.
We labor over our long to do lists;
But, it is hard to be present.
We are called to stillness;
We long to be still.

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*HYMN	
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DECEMBER 17TH “Emmanuel on the Way”

- The angel calms Joseph’s fears by instructing him to name the baby Emmanuel, assuring him of God’s presence. Where does “God with us” appear around you?
- Where do you see new life, tender and vulnerable, emerging for you in your relationships or in your community?
- How are we being invited to participate as doulas or birth attendants? How might God, you, or your community protect or support that which needs nurturing?
- How can we help protect the vulnerable and nurture those in need?
- Where do we see the presence of God?

1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
 2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
 3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
 4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;

he came down that we may have love;
 he came down that we may have light;
 he came down that we may have peace; hal-le - lu - jah for-ev - er - more.
 he came down that we may have joy;

Text: Cameroon traditional

Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional; arr. John L. Bell, b. 1949

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Services of Worship December 24th

**5:00 & 7:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve*

Candlelight Worship with the Lord's Supper

++ ADVENT MID-WEEK OFFERINGS

Unless otherwise designated, Wednesday Advent service offerings will benefit
 Messiah's KIT Ministry which supports Lutheran World Relief.