

Words of Institution

For the Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and remembrance of me. In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes (1 Cor. 11:23-26).

Prayer

Christ our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed.

Therefore, let us keep the feast!

Breaking of the Bread

We who are many are one body, for we all share the same loaf.

Communion Hymn – We Gather at the Holy Sup

The Passing of the Cup

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Prayer of Thanks based on Simeon's prayer in Lu. 2

Thanks be to God for his manifold kindness to us in Christ! Amen!

We Depart in Hopeful Expectation

Hymn- "Rejoice! All the Earth Rejoice"

Benediction-

*May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you.
Amen.*

Fourth Sunday in Advent, 2011 Dec. 18

Good Shepherd Community Church

Morning Service – *Praise!* Hymnal

Greeting: *Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Call to Worship

Come let us worship the Lord.

***Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous things;
and blessed be his glorious name forever.
May his glory fill the whole earth,
may our lips pour forth his praise. Amen.***

Hymn of Prayer- "O Savior of Our Fallen Race"

Invocation- Pastor Jeff Gregory

Hymn of Praise- "Joy Has Dawned"

Call to Confession:

The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Let us confess our sins and acknowledge our debts asking God for his cleansing restoration. [Silence]

Let us pray: O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge. Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself. *Restore us, O LORD God Almighty; make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved. Amen.*

The Word of Pardon: *This is a true saying- Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners!* Believe the good news and rejoice in Christ our Savior.

We Sing of Messiah

Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming

Immanuel (From the Squalor of a Borrowed..)

A Carol of Christ's Comings (Winchester New)

We Read the Word of God

Let us hear the Word of God.

Hebrew Bible: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

New Testament Epistle: Romans 16:25-27

New Testament Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

We Sing of the Gospel

Song- My Soul Proclaims with Wonder

178P Great is the Gospel of Our Glorious God

A Congregational Affirmation of Faith:

The Word Became Flesh

*We believe and affirm that **The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities— all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. Amen.***

We Present Our Prayers and Gifts to God

Concerns and Prayers of the People

Collect Prayer – based on Thomas Cranmer's Prayer

Lord, we pray that you would rise from your throne and come among us in power. Come, Almighty One, to comfort and strengthen us, even though we are terribly hindered by our own sins and wickedness, and through the sacrifice of your Son, our Lord, deliver us by means of your bountiful grace and mercy. To you and to the Son and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, to eternal ages without end. Amen.

Presentation of Offerings

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

Dedication Prayer

O Mighty One, you have done and are doing great things for us, and holy is your name. Bless all we offer you— ourselves, our time, and our possessions- that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Hymn 366P "Lord You Were Rich beyond All Splendor"

The Proclamation of the Word

Scripture Text: Romans 16:25-27

Sermon: " Revealed for a Purpose" by Mark Bahr

Hymn of Response- 381P "The Promised Time Arrives"

An Advent Eucharist Service

We proclaim his death until he comes...

The Invitation

The Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts...

