



8:30am ~ Sunday, December 3

WELCOME and RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates” [LW 24, v. 1-3]

OPENING LITURGY [p. 158]

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 64:6-9 [NIV]

⁶All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. ⁷No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins. ⁸Yet you, LORD, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹Do not be angry beyond measure, LORD; do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look on us, we pray, for we are all your people.

R: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 1:26-38 [NIV]

²⁶In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. ²⁸The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”

²⁹Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.” ³⁴“How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

³⁵The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. ³⁷For no word from God will ever fail.” ³⁸“I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

APOSTLE'S CREED

SERMON HYMN “Savior of the Nations, Come” [LW 13, v. 1-2, 5]

SERMON “NAME THE BABY”

SERMON RESPONSE “Savior of the Nations, Come” [LW 13, v. 8]

PEOPLE of PEACE in PRAYER

Father in Heaven:

•**Peace, Comfort, and Healing: Kristie Kolb** (daughter of Tim Elliott)-recovering from a heart procedure; **Beverly and family** (friends of Cindy Habeck)-various family members have serious health issues.

•**Praise and Thanksgiving: Jim and Natlie Kaminski**-celebrated their 50th anniversary December. 1.

•**Wisdom and Courage: Peace/Red Apple/MyTime Staff and Church Leaders..**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *The Family Prayer of the People of God*

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

OFFERING

(Before Communing, please take time to read our statement of faith found in the pew rack in front of you; fill out and place your attendance card and offering in the basket as you come forward.)

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” [LW 241]

“The King Shall Come” [LW 26]

“O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide” [LW 32, v. 1-2, 6]

CLOSING HYMN “Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates” [LW 24, v. 4-5]

CONNECT

- A Medieval Christmas | Wednesday, December 6 | 7pm
- NEO Christmas Concert | Friday, December 8 | 7:30pm | Tickets available @ the door
- Family Movie Night | Saturday, December 9 | 6pm | Register Online
- Youth Christmas Party | Sunday, December 10 | 5pm | Register Online
- Night of Hope | December 11 & 14 | Register @ 6stones.org/noh

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying”

arr. John Behnke

