

# CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## ADVENT WATCHWORDS

# Expectation

### OPENING

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world,  
**C: the light no darkness can overcome.**

P: Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,  
**C: and the day is almost over.**

P: Be our light and scatter the darkness,  
**C: and hear our evening hymn of praise.**

### EVENING CAROL

#### *“My Soul in Stillness Waits”*

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#### *Refrain*

For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits, tru-ly my hope is in you.



#### *Verse*

O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of glo - ry, Your ra - diance shines  
O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our spir - its. Our thirs - ty hearts



#### *To Refrain*

in all who look to you. Come, light the hearts of all in dark and sha-dow.  
are yearn-ing for your Word. Come, make us whole, be com-fort to our hearts.

P: Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly that we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world. Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**



Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.  
O Lord, I call to you; come to me quick - ly;  
hear my voice when I cry to you.  
Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

## CONFESSION

P: Dear Friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

**For faithless worrying and selfish pride,**

**For sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,**

**You should cast me away from your presence forever.**

**O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## ABSOLUTION

P: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ, even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant.

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## THEME CAROL – “Jesus Came the Heaven’s Adorning”

CW 26

### “Expectations”

*Zephaniah 3:14-17*

<sup>14</sup> Sing, Daughter Zion; shout aloud, Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, Daughter Jerusalem!<sup>15</sup> The Lord has taken away your punishment, he has turned back your enemy. The Lord, the King of Israel, is with you; never again will you fear any harm. <sup>16</sup> On that day they will say to Jerusalem, “Do not fear, Zion; do not let your hands hang limp. <sup>17</sup> The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.”

## MUSICAL SELECTION – “Lovely Child, Holy Child”

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## OFFERING

## EVENING PRAYER & CLOSING CAROL



Sure - ly it is God who saves me; I will



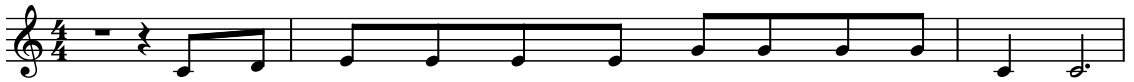
trust in him and not be a-fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my



sure de-fense and he will be my Sav-ior.

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*Verse 1* There -fore you shall draw wa - ter with re - joic - ing  
*Verse 3* Cry a - loud in - hab - i - tants of Zi - on,



from the springs of sal - va - tion And on that day you shall say, give  
ring - out - your joy - for the great one - in the



thanks to the Lord - and call up-on his name. *Refrain*  
midst of - you is the Ho-ly One of Is-rael. *Refrain*

*Refrain:*

Surely it is God who saves me;  
I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.



*Verse 2*

Make his deeds known a - mong the peo - ples;



see that they re - mem - ber that his name is ex - alt - ed.



Sing the prais - es of the Lord, for he has done great



things, and this is known in all the world. *Refrain*