

Assurance of Pardon and Gloria Patri



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen
(Blue Hymnal No. 579)



"Therefore the Redeemed" II - 38 Lake

Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return,

And come with singing unto Zion.

An everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.

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They shall obtain gladness and joy,

And sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

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"MAJESTY" I-8 Hayford

Majesty, worship His Majesty.

Unto Jesus be all glory, power and praise.

Majesty, Kingdom authority, flow from His throne

Unto His own, His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high, the name of Jesus.

Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship His Majesty.

Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all Kings.



Scripture 1: Psalm 146:5-10 (p.899)

Scripture 2: Isaiah 35:1-10 (p. 1021)

Faith and Engagement



"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"

(Blue Hymnal) **No. 16**

Prayers of the Pastor and the People with Praise and Thanksgiving

*share briefly names & situations to lift to God in prayer – we know
God is more than able to hold all we offer & God knows*

the details! Lord in Your mercy... **Hear our prayer**

Blessing



"Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah (X3)
Hallelujah, Hal-le-lu-jah!"

December 15- Emma Drake
December 18- Sharon Comfort
Tom and Marina Billott

Prayer family: **Dan and Susan Garrison**
 Prayer young person: **Kirsten Garrison**
 Prayer theme for young adult: **school/work**
 All medical professionals, emergency responders & those
 serving in hospitals, nursing homes & care facilities
 Military folks & family - the USA & all those in leadership
 S-VE School Board members, administrators, teachers & others
 North Spencer Christian Academy
 Church Finances
 Renovation House
 Missions Committee
 Van Etten Assembly of God

Sunday -- 10AM Adult Study | 11AM Worship
 Sunday -- 4PM Annual Remembrance Service
 Monday -- 6PM AA
 Tuesday -- [3-5PM Art Group](#) All are welcome! Come on out!
 Wednesday -- 6AM Men's Bible Study
 Wednesday -- 11AM Adult Study
 Friday -- 11AM Women's Bible Study



Welcome

Prelude “The Angel Gabriel”

Call to Worship

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom
captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile
here Until the Son of God appear.**

(when the candle is lit We delight in the joy found in your presence, a fullness of joy that the world cannot give nor take away. This joy is a blessed assurance sealed with your love by the foretold birth of your son. This joy when discovered, can be shared and made known to all. God please give us this joy & help us share. Amen.)


(The Doxology) **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise *Him, all creatures here below; Praise *Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.** (Blue Hymnal No. 592)



"Savior of the Nations, Come" No. 14
(Blue Hymnal)



Confession: (from BCW)



God of the future, You are coming in power to bring all nations under Your rule. We confess that we have not expected Your kingdom, we live casual lives, ignoring Your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse Your justice and peace. In Your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome Your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world.

[silent prayer & reflection; let the Holy Spirit identify any sin that needs confessing - offer it to God & let it go]

“ Savior of the Nations, Come ” St. Ambrose

1. Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Son, make here your home.
Marvel now, O Heav'n and Earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.
2. Not by human flesh and blood,
By the Spirit of our God
Was the Word of God made flesh:
Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.
3. Wondrous birth! O wondrous child
Of the virgin undefiled!
Though by all the world disowned,
Still to be in Heav'n enthroned.
4. Lo, he comes! The Lord of all
Leaves his bright and royal hall;
God and man, with giant force,
Hastening to run his course.
5. From the Father forth he came
And returned hence to the same.
Captive leading death and hell—
High the song of triumph swell!
6. Christ, the Father's only Son,
Has o'er sin the vict'ry won.
Boundless shall your kingdom be;
When shall we its glories see?
7. Brightly does your manger shine;
Glorious is its light divine.
Let not sin o'ercloud this light;
Ever be our faith thus bright.
8. Praise to God the Father sing,
Praise to God the Son, our King,
Praise to God the Spirit be
Ever and eternally.

“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came” S. Baring Gould

- 1 The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail," said he to meek and lowly Mary,
"most highly favored maiden." Gloria!
- 2 "I come from heav'n to tell the Lord's decree:
a blessed virgin mother you shall be.
Your Son shall be Immanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favored maiden." Gloria!
- 3 Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head;
"To me be as it pleases God," she said.
"My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name."
Most highly favored maiden, Gloria!
- 4 Of her, Immanuel, the Christ, was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say,
"Most highly favored maiden." Gloria!