

**Communion: Beyond the Moon and Stars**

**Refrain:** Beyond the moon and stars, as deep as night,  
so great our hunger, Lord, to see your light.  
The sparrow finds her home beneath your wing.  
So may we come to rest where angels sing.

4. With shining star at night,  
and cloud by day,  
you brought us here to see your love's display.

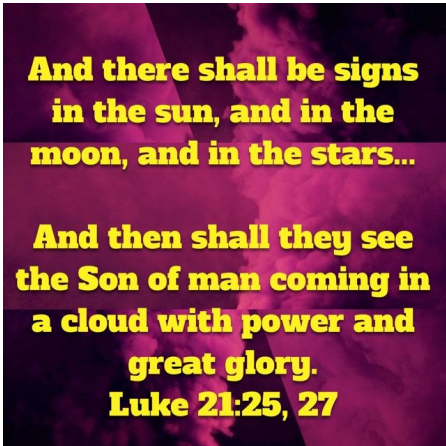
5. When life's great journey ends,  
and day is done,  
then may our eyes behold your Holy One.

**Sending: People Look East**

1. People, look East. The time is near  
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able.  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Guest, is on the way.

2. Furrows, be glad, though earth is bare.  
One more seed is planted there;  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
That in course the flow'r may flourish.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.

4. Angels, announce on this great feast:  
Him who cometh from the East.  
Set ev'ry peak and valley humming  
With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.



**And there shall be signs  
in the sun, and in the  
moon, and in the stars...**

**And then shall they see  
the Son of man coming in  
a cloud with power and  
great glory.  
Luke 21:25, 27**

**First Sunday of Advent  
December 1, 2024**

**Prelude: Watchman-Psalm 130**

**Gathering: Ready the Way**

1. "Ready the way of the Lord!  
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A voice cries out in the wilderness:  
"Ready the way of the Lord!"

2. "Let ev'ry valley be filled.  
Let ev'ry valley be filled.  
Let ev'ry mountain be humbled;  
let ev'ry valley be filled."

**Refrain:** Here is your God,  
coming with your vindication.  
Look and behold  
the saving power of God.

5. Strengthen the ones who are weak.  
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Say to the frightened: "Have courage."  
Strengthen the ones who are weak. (to Refrain)

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 33:14-16

**Responsorial Psalm:** *To You, O Lord, I lift up, I lift up my soul*  
(Psalm 25)

**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

**Alleluia:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 21:25-28,34-36

### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not  
made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.**  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death  
and was buried, and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated  
at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and  
his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for forgiveness of sins,  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Response to Intercessions:** *Promised Savior, hear our prayer*

### **Offertory: Maranatha**

**Refrain:** Come, Lord, come Lord Jesus.  
Give your people hope.  
Come, Lord, come Lord Jesus,  
and lead your people home.

1. O Lord of Light, fill the night.  
Many have lost their way.  
O Rising Dawn, shine upon,  
darkness shall be no more.

2. O King of Kings, love you bring.  
The world is made anew.  
O Prince of Peace, make us free,  
justice for humankind.

3. O Comforter, rescue us.  
Destroy our sinfulness.  
O Counselor, mighty Lord,  
teach us what we must know.

4. Emmanuel, Emmanuel,  
promised so long ago.  
Emmanuel, Emmanuel,  
God is with us at last.

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1. Our eyes have longed to see  
your loving face,  
to live within your courts for all our days.

2. Your roads have led us, Lord,  
'cross desert sand.  
We place our hopes and dreams within your hand.

3. Upon our darkness, Lord,  
a light has shone.  
You chose to dwell with us in flesh and bone.