

Love from Beginning to End, Beyond and Within



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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Lisa

SONG: “Freedom!”

1. Oh, Freedom. Freedom is coming. Oh, yes, I know.

LIGHTING THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

James Nyren

PRAYER AS ADVENT BEGINS

Selah Bray

God of hope, we light this candle as we prepare for the coming of your Son. Awaken our hearts to you this Advent season, so that when Christ arrives, we are ready to receive him with all our hearts, all our minds, and all our strength. Amen.

SONG: “Freedom!”

2. Oh, Jesus. Jesus is coming. Oh, yes, I know.

FIRST READINGS:

“Magdalene” by Malcom Guite

Selah Bray

Men called you light so as to load you down,
And burden you with their own weight of sin,
A woman forced to cover and contain
Those seven devils sent by Everyman.
But one man set you free and took your part
One man knew and loved you to the core
The broken alabaster of your heart

Revealed to Him alone a hidden door,
Into a garden where the fountain sealed,
Could flow at last for him in healing tears,
Till, in another garden, he revealed
The perfect Love that cast out all your fears,
And quickened you with love's own sway and swing,
As light and lovely as the news you bring.

Gospel of Mary 4:1-8; 5: 1-9

Laura Bray

[Jesus is speaking before he ascends]: Be on your guard so that no one deceives you by saying, 'Look over here!' or 'Look over there!' For the child of true Humanity exists within you. Follow it! Those who search for it will find it. Go then, preach the good news about the Realm." After he had said these things, he departed from them. But they were distressed and wept greatly. "How are we going to go out to the rest of the world to announce the good news about the Realm of the child of true Humanity?" they said. "If they did not spare him, how will they spare us?"

Then Mary [Magdalene] stood up. She greeted them all, addressing her brothers and sisters, "Do not weep and be distressed nor let your hearts be irresolute. For his grace will be with you all and will shelter you. Rather we should praise his greatness, for he has prepared us and made us true Human beings." When Mary [Magdalene] had said these things, she turned their heart toward the Good.

Isak Dinesen, from *Babette's Feast*

Isaac Bray

"I have been with you every day of my life. You know, do you not, that it has been so? And, I shall be with you every day that is left to me. Every evening I shall sit down, if not in flesh, which means nothing, in spirit, which is all, to dine with you, just like tonight. For tonight I have learned that in this world anything is possible."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

To the Tune of Go Tell It on the Mountains -

"Go! Tell it on the Mountains, over the hills and everywhere.
Go! Tell it on the Mountains, the Good News heard today!"

Gospel Verse (Cantor) –

We hear the scriptures tell us, (of) how Jesus came to be.
His family's descendants, through history faithfully....

"Go! Tell it on the Mountains, over the hills and everywhere.
Go! Tell it on the Mountains, the Good News heard today!"

GOSPEL: Matthew 1:1-17

Pastor Lisa

The Gospel for the First Sunday in Advent is found in the book of Matthew, chapter 1, verses 1-17:

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

² Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, ³ and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, ⁴ and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, ⁵ and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, ⁶ and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, ⁷ and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, ⁸ and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the

father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, ⁹ and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, ¹⁰ and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, ¹¹ and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

¹² And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, ¹³ and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, ¹⁴ and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, ¹⁵ and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, ¹⁶ and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, who bore Jesus, who is called the Messiah.

¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON: “Love from Beginning to End, Beyond and Within”

Pastor Lisa

SERMON SONG: “Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn!”

Red Book 242

Prayer squares are collected.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Song: "Wait for the Lord"

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

The first line of musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

The second line of musical notation continues the piece. It features a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

THE PEACE IS SHARED

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG: "Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For" by U2

OFFERING PRAYER

from spaciousfaith.com

LA: Holy One, this Advent season we wait in hope.

And we give in hope.

Hope for your coming reign;

Hope because of your presence with us even now.

Receive these generous offerings,

And use them for your work of healing and hope in our world. Amen.

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Song: "What Feast of Love"

**What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?**

Prayer

**This, this is Christ the kind, the bread come down from heaven.
Oh Taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation



SONG DURING COMMUNION: “Walk in the Reign”

Refrain

Close as to - mor - row the sun shall ap - pear.
Free - dom is com - ing and heal - ing is near. And I shall be
with you in laugh - ter and pain to stand in the wind and
walk in the reign, to walk in the reign.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

LA: God of grace, thank you for this bread and wine, and for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. We celebrate how the mystery of this Table reveals the depth and height and breadth of your love for us. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT BLESSING:

Romans 15: 13

Give yourself the time and space to prepare *within your heart and soul and mind* for the coming of Christmas, and as you do:

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope ☩ by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

CLOSING SONG: "Prepare the Way of the Lord"

Canon

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one flat) and 6/8 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 6/8 time signature. It contains a repeat sign followed by a circled letter 'A' above the first measure. The melody continues with a circled letter 'B' above the fifth measure. The second staff begins with a circled letter 'C' above the first measure and continues with a circled letter 'D' above the fifth measure. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord, and
all peo- ple will see the sal - va- tion of our God. Pre-

Text: Luke 3:4,6; Taizé Community, 1984

Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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DISMISSAL: Go in Peace. Jesus is On the Way! Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

PREACHER: Rev. Dr Lisa Bates-Froiland

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ALTAR SETUP: Lisa Miller, Elaine Lindstrom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th!

- Direct your friends and family to our Sunshine and Honeybees Giving Tuesday campaign at <https://gofund.me/b57dff3>. This time we are looking to raise \$7,000 to support our green efforts at Redeemer: the bees and our solar panels.

NAMI GROUPS

- The Journey Support Group for women who live with PTSD or C-PTSD will meet from 1:00pm-2:30 on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at Redeemer in the library.
 - Registration: Call 414-326-3454 or email theresa@namisoutheastwi.org

THE FOOD PANTRY IS SEEKING DONATIONS!

- **Personal Hygiene Products:** The Food Pantry is in need of personal hygiene products (deodorant, soap, tooth brushes/paste, etc.). Donations can be dropped in the box in the Narthex or in the office.
- **Shopping Carts:** We are in need of shopping carts so that our pantry guests can carry their groceries home. Each cart costs \$35 and can be purchased at Walmart. We also accept monetary donations so that we can purchase them.

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES: Wednesdays at 6:30pm

- **November 30th at Redeemer**
- **December 7th at Pastor Lisa's** (RSVP to admin@redeemermilwaukee.org)
- **December 14th at Scott McIntosh and LuAnn Blohm's** (RSVP to admin@redeemermilwaukee.org)
- **December 21st Location TBA**