



# Choose to Hope ...

First Sunday of Advent  
November 29, 2020

GATHERING HYMN: Maranatha! – M. Haugen

VENI VENI EMMANUEL  
Arr. Marty Haugen

Ma - ra - na - tha! Ma - ra - na -  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu -

tha! O come to us, Em - man - u - el!  
ia! To us will come Em - man - u - el!

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For the Sunday Readings go to...

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First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7

Responsorial Psalm: *Lord Make Us Turn To You* – J. Sullivan-Whitaker

Refrain  
Lord, make us turn to you; let us  
see your face and we shall be saved.

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**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Gospel:** Mark 13:33-37

**Homily**

**Communion Song:** *Bread of Life – B. Farrell*

Refrain




Bread of life, hope of the world, Je-sus Christ, our broth - er:




feed us now, give us life, lead us to one an - oth - er.

\*Verses



1. Be with your peo-ple, Lord, send us your sav-ing Word: Je - sus  
2. Bring to our world of fear the truth we long to hear: Je - sus  
3. A child is born for us, a son is giv'n to us, In our  
4. With our own eyes we see, with our own ears we hear The sal-  
5. You are the hope of all, our prom-ise and our call, Ra-diant

to Refrain



1. Christ, light of glad - ness, come a - mong us now.  
2. Christ, hope of a - ges, come to save us now.  
3. midst, Christ, our Lord and God comes as one who serves.  
4. va - tion of all the world, God's in - car - nate Word.  
5. light in our dark - ness, truth to set us free.

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## Communion Meditation: *Will The Circle Be Unbroken*—T. Alonso

*Will the circle be unbroken? Will the power of death prevail? Will the voices seeking justice be rejected and grow frail?  
Will revenge replace forgiveness? Will our pride replace God's peace? Will the innocents be victims and the violence increase?*

*Will the words our God has spoken be revised or be ignored? Will the love that made and formed us be rejected for the sword?  
Will the God who cries, "Forgiveness is the only way to peace," be blocked out by cries of anger? Will the fighting ever cease?*

*Here the body, blessed and broken, and the blood of Christ outpoured is the only food of freedom for the servants of the Lord.*

*Here the stories shared at table call us all to peaceful ways: show us Christ in all creation, show us love's the only way.*

## SENDING

### Choose To Hope—M. Haugen



1. Hope is born when we choose to be - lieve that  
2. Hope will grow when we choose to be - lieve that  
3. Hope will shine when we choose to be - lieve a  
4. Sing out hope through the vio - lence and fear, for



love is strong - er than ha - tred.  
we are sis - ters and broth - ers.  
lit - tle child will lead us.  
God is pres - ent be - side us.



Love is born when our hearts learn to see that  
Love will grow when our hearts learn to see the  
Love will shine when our hearts learn to see that  
Prince of Peace, make your home with us here; your



ev - 'ry per - son is sa - cred.  
life we share with each oth - er. In the  
God is dwell - ing with - in us.  
love and wis - dom will guide us.



times of dark - ness, in times of fear, choose to hope,



choose to love, and know that God is near.  
*Last time, during Advent: Em - man - u - el is near.*

# Mark Your Calendars....

Advent Communal Reconciliation Service via LIVESTREAM

Monday, December 14th – 6:30 pm

Christmas Eve Prayer Service via ZOOM (Details to follow)

Thursday, December 24th - 4:00 pm

Christmas Day Mass via LIVESTREAM

Friday, December 25th – 10:00 am

New Year's Day via LIVESTREAM

Friday, January 1, 2021

10:00am

