

# Worship Service

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## FIRST SABBATH OF ADVENT

Over the two millennia since the days of Jesus, Christians have developed traditions of lighting candles to symbolize some of the great and precious values embodied by Jesus and proclaimed in the Gospel. Our Christmas candelabra features four outer candles symbolizing hope, peace, joy, and love. They surround the center white candle, which stands for the person of Jesus and the fullness of God resident in him.

**PRELUDE** *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* J.S. Bach  
Wanda Griffiths, Organist

**WELCOME and CHURCH LIFE** John McLarty

**INVOCATION** Hanz Jouissance

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING MUSIC** arr. Chip Davis  
*Veni, Veni (O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)*  
Green Lake Orchestra

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** The Voth Family  
The Candle of Hope – Through Jesus, All Will be Made Right

**ADVENT READING** Dana Waters

✳️ **HYMN OF PRAISE, Hymnal No. 149** IRBY  
*Once in Royal David's City*

**OFFERING** Ann White  
Offering this week Church Budget

**OFFERTORY** Traditional, arr. John Leavitt  
*Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day*  
Green Lake Orchestra

**CHORAL CALL TO THE CHILDREN'S STORY** arr. Roy Naden  
*Children of the Heavenly Father*

**CHILDREN'S STORY** Irina Gagiu and Charlotte Ishikawa  
Offering for Alfa-Nik orphanage in the Ukraine

**CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER** Franz Schubert  
*Holy, Holy, Holy*  
As the organist plays the Call to Prayer, we invite you to kneel if it is comfortable.

**MORNING PRAYER** Ann White  
Our Father which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CHORAL RESPONSE

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Ennio Morricone, arr. Robert Longfield  
*Gabriel's Oboe*  
Green Lake Orchestra

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING** John Bartin  
Isaiah 7:14 (NLT)

**ANTHEM** Elaine Hagenberg  
*All Praise to Thee*  
Green Lake Singers

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING** Ava Bartin  
Matthew 7:9-11 (NLT)

**SERMON** *Unexpected Gift* Hanz Jouissance

✳️ **HYMN OF CONSECRATION, Hymnal No. 136** IN DULCE JUBILO  
*Good Christians, Now Rejoice*

✳️ **BENEDICTION** Hanz Jouissance

✳️ **CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE** Peter C. Lutkin  
*Seven-fold Amen*

**POSTLUDE** Peter Wilhousky, arr. Bill Calhoun  
*Carol of the Bells*  
Green Lake Orchestra

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**Welcome, Visitors ...** We welcome all worshipers present, and invite everyone to discover the joy of God's unending love. If you would like to join our membership, fill in one of the cards in the pew holders and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor. Following the worship service, please join us in the Chapel for the reception.

**Sermon Synopsis ...** "He sees you when you're sleeping. He knows when you're awake. He knows if you've been bad or good. So be good for goodness sake!" *Santa Claus is Coming to Town* is one of the classic Christmas songs of all time: a song that I used to hate. Why did I hate this song? Not only because it was creepy ("He sees you when you're sleeping. He knows when you're awake."), but because it depicts a perfect child. I remember when I was in the 1st grade, and when December came around, our teacher made a list: a *Naughty* list and a *Nice* list. If your name ended up on the *Naughty* list, then Santa would not come to your house and give you a gift. I wonder if God is like Santa...

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# Sabbath School

**Program** *Pria Ministries* 9:30a.m.  
Babu Rao Chedalawada, Program Presenter

**Next Sabbath** *A Safety Primer* 9:30 a.m.  
Mark Voth, Program Presenter

**Adult Sabbath School Classes** 10:00 to 10:50 a.m.

The sanctuary opens today at 10:50. Prior to this time, rehearsing musicians appreciate privacy during their preparation for the worship service and thank you for this courtesy.

## SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

Green Lake Church is noted for its diversity. We welcome you wherever you are in your search for truth. Some classes work within a traditional Seventh-day Adventist framework, while others take a nontraditional approach. Choose the one that best fits your needs today.

**Quarterly** – B. Chedalawada, M. Mitchell, D. Van Fossen  
Follows the lessons in the Sabbath School Quarterly, Romans Auditorium, Front

**Walk Through the Bible** – Matt Rickaby, Simon Tung  
Ezra and Nehemiah Top Level Open Space

**Discussion** Library  
Encourages the open expression of ideas and experiences.

**Current Issues & Quarterly** – Mark Haun, Katrina Zafiro Kitchen  
An interactive discussion based on biblical principles, generally following topics provided by the Sabbath School Quarterly.

**Women's Class** – Patti Gibson Parent Room (Next to Balcony)  
Discussing the book *Swimming Against the Current: Living for the God You Love* by Chris Blake.

## CHILDREN'S DIVISIONS

The Junior Choir and Cherub Choir rehearse from 9:30 to 10:00, when they dismiss to their Sabbath School classes.

**Beginners** (ages 0 through 3.5), 10:00 a.m. Room 101  
Leader: Sharon Roberts

**Kindergarten** (ages 3.5 through 5), 10:00 a.m. Room 301  
Leader: Elyse Lambeth

**Primary** (ages 6 through 8), 10:00 a.m. Room 203  
Leader: Mark Voth

**Juniors** (ages 9 through 12), 10:00 a.m. Room 202  
Leader: Open

**Youth** (ages 13+), 10:00 a.m. Room 302  
Leaders: Troy Ahrens, Jonathan Schreven

✳️ The congregation is invited to stand when the hymn introduction begins.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the sound operator in the balcony.

