The background of the top section is a photograph of a sunset over a body of water. The sky is a mix of deep blue and orange, with the sun's glow reflecting on the water's surface. The text is overlaid on this image in a white, slightly shadowed font.

The night is nearly over;
the day is almost here.
So let us put aside the
deeds of darkness
and put on the armor of light.

Romans 13:12

NAZARETH LUTHERAN CHURCH of SOUTH BRISBANE
SERVICE WITHOUT HOLY COMMUNION

1 Advent — 30th November, 2025

HYMNS: 17, 15, 16, 490

"Be Alive in Christ and make Him known"

We do this by growing spiritually in God's Word, allowing God to use us to grow His Church, by being Christ focused, being community focused and being inclusive.

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Welcome Visitors! Please join us for a cuppa and fellowship after service.

Welcome

P: The time has come for you to wake up from your sleep.

C: The night is nearly over, day is almost here.
(Rom 13:11,12 TEV)

Invocation

♪P: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

♪C: Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath (1st Candle)

Hymn No: 2 O come, O come, Immanuel (*Verse 1 only*)

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

*Rejoice, rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Hymn No: 17 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus

Confession of Sins and Absolution

P: Dear friends in Christ: let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

♪P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

♪C: He made heaven and earth.

♪P: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

♪C: Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to you all my sins, and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased you and deserve your punishment in time and in eternity.

But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask you, for the sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me. Amen.

P: I ask each of you in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins? **I do.**

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in his name? **I do.**

P: Do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as in God's presence, and to strive daily to lead a holy life, even as Christ has made you holy? **I do.**

P: Christ gave to his church the authority to forgive the sins of those who repent, and to declare to those who do not repent that their sins are not forgiven. Therefore, upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and on behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Peace be with you.

C: Amen.



Kyrie

♫**ALL:** Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

Doxology

♫**P:** Glory to God in the highest

♫**C:** and on earth peace, among those with whom he is pleased. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly king, God, the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.


For you alone are holy, you alone are Lord, you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

♪P: The Lord be with you. ♪C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day – (Collect)

P: Let us pray for the presence of Christ.

C: Cleanse our consciences, Lord, and enlighten our hearts, through the daily presence of your Son Jesus Christ. Make us ready when he comes again in glory to be our judge. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

 First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 God's kingdom of peace

After the reading: This is the Word of the Lord

Please respond: Thanks be to God.

Psalm No: 122



Cantor: *I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.*

ANTIPHON: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.

Cantor: *I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.*

ANTIPHON: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.

Cantor: *Jerusalem – built as a city that is bound firmly together. To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. For there the thrones for judgement were set up, the thrones of the house of David.*

ANTIPHON: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.

Cantor: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."

ANTIPHON: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.


Cantor: For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you." For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

ANTIPHON: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord.

♫C: Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for evermore. Amen.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14 Our salvation is near

After the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

 **♫C** Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44 No one knows the day or hour

Before the reading **♫C** Glory be to you, O Lord.

After the reading **♫C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

C: Thank you, Lord Jesus, for promising to return. Make us always ready for your coming. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

 Hymn No: 15 Jesus came – the heavens adoring

Sermon

 Hymn No: 16 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

 Offertory Prayer

C: What can I offer to the Lord: for all his goodness to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation: and call on the name of the Lord. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and call on the name of the Lord. I will keep my promises to the Lord: in the presence of all his people; In the courts of the house of the Lord: in your midst, O Jerusalem.

P: Ever living God, we thank you for coming to us through your Son. Make us ready for his coming again. Do not let us be trapped by worry or worldly concerns, but teach us to cheerfully give of ourselves in serving you and other people.

C: Amen.

 Prayer of the Church

The response to each petition:

P: Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.

 The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come; your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

♪P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favour † and give you peace.

♪C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

♿ ♪ Hymn No: 490 O Son of God, we wait for Thee



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ALL WELCOME



30 November, Advent Service
8:30am, Church

7 December, Advent Service
8:30am, Church

14 December, Advent Service
8:30am, Church

21 December, Advent Service
8:30am, Church

24 December, Christmas Eve
11:00pm Carols & Readings, Church

25 December, Christmas Day Service
8:30am Divine Service, Church

28 December, Sunday Worship
8:30am Divine Service, Church

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