# 4th Sunday in Advent December 20<sup>th</sup> 2020



St. Paul's Lutheran Church 901 Cornwall Crescent Dawson Creek, BC

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#### **Opening Sentences**

Pastor:	Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,
People:	the light no darkness can overcome.
Pastor:	Let Your light scatter the darkness
People:	and illumine Your Church.

### Hymn # 370 – What Child is This

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**Epistle Reading** 

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

Sermon

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Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Benedicamus and Benediction

## Hymn # 357 – O Come, O Come Emmanuel

# VS 1,6,7

#### AS WE GATHER

We stand at the threshold not only of an old and familiar story but also that of an old yet familiar mystery, the greatest mystery ever told. It doesn't appear on any list of greatest novels or plays written by earthly authors. It is the mystery of God. More specifically, it is the mystery of His love for the salvation of the world. But as we prepare to review the mystery of God—the Son of God becoming incarnate in our human flesh and born of the Virgin Mary—the greater mystery is that He, Jesus, looks over your shoulder now in the retelling and hearing of Christmas. The greater mystery is that you not only know the old, familiar story but also that you believe it. And believing brings about the best mystery of all that your sins are forgiven, that you have a new, eternal life, that you are forever a child, a son, a daughter born of God. The Gospel—the wisdom and mystery of God—is no longer a secret. For it is told by your own mouth singing of God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ.

#### **Announcements**

Upcoming services in Advent:

Thursday	Dec 24 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm Recorded Service
Sunday	Dec. 27 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 am Live Streamed Service

Unfortunately, due to current service suspensions, we will not be able to have our Christmas morning communion service this year.

The links to all services will be posted on our web site: **www.stpaulsdawsoncreek.com** 

All in person worship services are now suspended until Jan 8<sup>th</sup>, in accordance with the latest BC Public Health Order.

Pastor is still available at the church for individual and family services. Please contact Pastor to make an appointment to receive pastoral care. I pray that you have a week of peace and rest, knowing that no matter what is happening in the world our eternal health is safe in promises of Christ.

Go in peace, serve the Lord for our sins are forgiven in Christ!



Light one candle for Hope Light one candle for Peace Light one Candle for Joy Light one Candle for Love He Brings Love to Every Heart. He Comes, He Comes Every Nation will Find Salvation in Bethlehem's Baby Boy