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December 23rd, 2018
A Light In The Darkness
Advent 4- The Light of Love

ADVENT MONOLOGUE

Pastor Coleman: "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of The Lord is risen upon you. For behold, the darkness shall cover the Earth, and deep darkness the people; but The Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. The Gentiles shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising." -Isaiah 60:1-3

Congregation: "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God; he who does not love does not know God, for God is Love. In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him."

-1John 4:7-9

All: Glory be to The Father, and to The Son, and to The Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

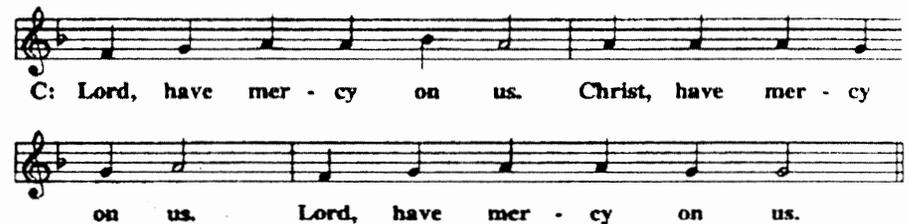
Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending- Hymn# 29

Pastor Coleman: In the name of The Father, and of The (†) Son, and of The Holy Spirit.



Pastor Coleman: Beloved in The Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

All: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil, and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment, both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray, Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Pastor Coleman: God, our Heavenly Father, has been merciful to us, and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of The Father, and of The (†) Son, and of The Holy Spirit.

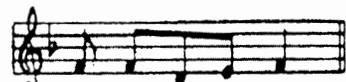


Pastor: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise The Lord.



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,
we give thanks to you, for your great glory. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
God the Fa-ther al-mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus 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; re-ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of
God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;
you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit,
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Pastor Coleman: The Lord be with you.



C: And al-so with you.

Pastor Coleman: Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and return. Take away the burden of our sins, and make us ready for the celebration of Your birth, that we may receive You with joy, and serve You always. You live and reign with The Father, and The Holy Spirit: One God, forever and forevermore.



C: A - men.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Micah 5:2-5

Psalm 85, on page 97, in the front of the hymnal

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 10:5-10

SCRIPTURE VERSE

Alleluia! Alleluia!

“The virgin will be with Child and will give birth to a Son, and they will call Him, 'Immanuel.'” -Matthew 1:23

Alleluia!



C: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Pastor Coleman: Our Gospel Lesson is recorded in Luke chapter 1.



C: Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

Luke 1:39-55

Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with The Holy Spirit. Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said,

“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy! Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from The Lord.” And Mary said: “My soul magnifies The Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior; for He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him, from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm. He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant, Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.”

Pastor Coleman: This is the gospel of our Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THIS WE BELIEVE – Sung to the melody of Hymn# 486

We believe in God Almighty, Maker of the Heav'n and Earth.
We believe in Christ, our Savior, God's own Son of human birth.
Virgin-born, The Word Incarnate, whom The Spirit did conceive;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; He's the God whom we believe.

Crucified, was dead and buried, He descended into hell
From the grave, He rose victorious; now, in Heav'n, He deigns to dwell.
There at God's right hand, He's ruling, by His will the world is led.
He will come to judge the nations, both the living and the dead.

We believe in God The Spirit, He has called His chosen band.
They are joined in sweet communion, holy, in His sight, they stand.
All our sins have been forgiven, and we shall arise again.
We shall live in heav'nly glory; this is true, "Amen! Amen!"

**Message for the Soul:
THE MAGNIFICAT**

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

**SIGNING OF INFORMATION CARDS
GATHERING OF DONATIONS & LOVE OFFERINGS
ADVENT PRAYERS**

THE LORD'S PRAYER- Sung to the melody of Hymn# 68

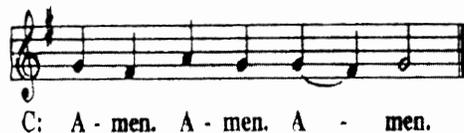
Our Father in Heaven, all praise to Your name.
Your kingdom come to us, Your will done the same,
By mortals and angels. Come, Lord, reign alone.
Oh, hear us and bless us from Heaven's high throne.
The bread that we yearn for, provide us each day.
As we forgive others, our sins, take away.
In times of temptation, to lead us, be near.
From evil, deliver Your children most dear.
For Yours is the kingdom: o'er all things You reign.
And Yours is the power: all things You maintain.
To You be the glory: resounding again,
From all of creation, forever. Amen!

Pastor Coleman: Almighty God, grant to Your Church, The Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder Your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve You in steadfast faith and confess Your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and The Holy Spirit: One God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION

Pastor Coleman: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



God's Own Son Most Holy- Hymn# 17

SILLOAH'S FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE is looking for donations toward the Movie Night on December 29th. After the celebration of our Lord, we need to relax and enjoy a good movie. Movie Night is time spent in fellowship with the body of our Lord, and food and refreshments are being served. There are suggested items that can be donated to the concession stands. (See the attached sheet). Let us look forward to a great Movie Night and fellowship.

LWMS (Lutheran Women Missionary) wish to thank you for writing encouragements cards to 2018 BAM (Befriend a Mission) missionaries and their families.

The 2019 National Board members and new BAM group will be posted in January, 2019. Please read the flyers and become familiar with their birthdays and anniversaries. You can send your own personal greeting card to them as those dates appear. Their addresses will be listed. LWMS thank you for your continued support and prayers. Any questions, you may contact Annie Mannery or Erica Johnson.

Siloah School will be on Christmas Break, December 4th to January 4th. School will resume on January 7th. If members or parents have collected box tops during the break, bring them to school office or left at the church office. . These tops will enhance the fundraising for the CEA (Christian Education Association).

SILOAH CHURCH NEWS

Online Giving: Visit our website at www.siloahlutheran.org, then scroll down and click the 'Donate to Siloah Tap Here' banner to begin giving online. Members, please register as a new user if its your first time; once you have registered, make sure you login each time to easily track your giving.

Online Offerings: Week of December 16, 2018: Air Condition: \$0.00; Carpet \$0.00; General Funds: 12/14 \$10.00, 12/20 - \$30.00

Last Week's Attendance: Sunday Worship – 130; Children's Christmas Program –250.

Last Week's Offering: Air Condition - \$70.00; Bereavement \$18.00; CEA - \$0.00; Expansion Fund- \$75.00; Food Pantry - \$600.00; General Offering - \$1,891.00; Kitchen Fund & Fellowship - \$0.00; Miscellaneous - \$76.00; Mission Fund - \$173.00; Prison Ministry - \$5.00; Youth Mentorship \$0.00; Youth Praise Dance \$0.00.

Sunday's Grand Total - \$2,908.00. Given for the Lords' work! Thank you! May God continue to bless Siloah.

The 2019 Envelope Boxes are located at the front entrance of the Church. Please do not forget your boxes as to help you prepare for the first service of 2019. If your envelope box is not available, please call Mrs. Ella Bennett at 414 873-5770.

Our Christmas Food Drive ended December 20th. There was an overwhelming response from our Siloah members to provide 10 families with a wonderful Christmas meal. In fact, the extras were placed in Siloah's Food Pantry. Many thanks goes to Mrs. Annie Green, Mrs. Bessie Guyton and Mrs. Willie Mae Williams who assisted in preparing the boxes. If any members wish to assist Mrs. Bennett in delivery of these full boxes on Christmas Eve Day, please call the church office --- 414 873-5770.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sick and Shut-in Members: Nancy Bagemihl, Philip Cole, Mary Ann Coleman, Audrey Dittmar, Deborah Gilbert, Marcia Gray, Dorothy Griffin, Ollie Hill, Margie Jackson, Mae McMurtry, Lartha Moore, Dorothy Odems, Georgia Parrett, Sharon Risiner, Stanley & Violet Russell, Dorothy Story, Bertha Shadd, Sam Stricklin, Elaine Weber, Shaunte Wigley, Tizdrou Wigley, and Dee Whitfield.

Sick and Shut-In of Siloah: Willie Mae Collier (cousin of Carol Davis), Ted Crocket (brother of Josephine Adams), Gregory Dorsey (brother of Shirley Dorsey), Dwayne Ross (son of William Ross), Anthony Adams (son of M/M Hershel Adams), Javonte Wilkins (grandson of Pearlle Wilkins), Lorraine McNeal (sister of Lee Dora Gray, Gregory Williams (son of Ann Williams).

Happy Birthday!! Mitchell Carter- 12/23; Hannah Hale – 12/27; Aseante Simonne Salters – 12/30; Dee Whitfield – 12/31.

Happy Anniversary! Pearlle & Joseph Wilkins – 12/23; John & Teresa Williams – 12/28;

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK – 12/23 thru 12/30

TODAY	Coffee Fellowship/Hoffman Hall ...8:30am-9am
	Bible Class/Hoffman Hall9:00am
	Worship Service (Advent 4).....10:00am
MON 12/24	CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE.....7:00pm
TUE 12/25	CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE.....10:00am
SAT 12/29	Family Movie Night3:00pm

SILOAH MEMBERS: Please pickup your box of envelopes at the front entrance of the church. Should you not have a box of envelopes, please, call the church office 414 873- 5770.

Siloah Lutheran's Fellowship Committee presents...



SAVE THE DATE!

When?

Saturday 12/29/18

Where?

Hoffman Hall

Who?

Everyone is invited!

Free Admission & Popcorn!

Concessions will be sold!

*SILOAH'S FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE
IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS TOWARD
MOVIE NIGHT*

TIME & DATE: *DECEMBER 29TH, 2018; DOORS OPEN @ 3PM, MOVIE STARTS AT 3:30PM*

RATIONALE: *AFTER CHRISTMAS, MOST PEOPLE WILL BE DRAINED AND WOULD LIKE TO RELAX. NO NEED TO COOK OR CLEAN DISHES, MOVIE NIGHT IS TIME SPENT IN FELLOWSHIP WITH THE BODY OF CHRIST, AND CONCESSIONS WILL BE SERVED.*

PLACE: *SILOAH, HOFFMANN HALL*

ITEMS NEEDED: *PIZZAS, HOT DOGS, BUNS, CONDIMENTS, NACHO CHIPS & CHEESE, JALAPENOS; SODA*

PRICE OF ITEMS AT SAM'S CLUB (as of 10/27):

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Item Name</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
4	Cheese Pizzas	16 inch	\$8.99 (each)	\$36
4	Supreme Pizzas	16 inch	\$8.99 (each)	\$36
6	Pepperoni Pizzas	16 inch	\$8.99 (each)	\$54
2	Meat Lovers	16 inch	\$8.99 (each)	\$18
1	Beef Hot Dogs	80 pack	\$25.00	\$25
5	Hot Dog Buns	16 pack	\$2.48 (each)	\$13
2	Heinz Picnic Pack of Condiments	4 pack	\$8 (each)	\$16
1	Tortilla Chips	4 -24 oz bags	\$11	\$11
2	Nacho cheese	106 oz can	\$14	\$28
1	Jalepenos peppers	64 oz jar	\$4	\$4
4	Variety Faygo Sodas	24 case	\$6 (each)	\$24

TOTAL COST FOR A FANTASTIC MOVIE NIGHT ONLY \$250

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE ANY MONIES OR ITEMS TOWARD THIS IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

GOD BLESS!

***LEFTOVER ITEMS THAT ARE FREEZABLE WILL BE KEPT UNTIL NEXT MOVIE NIGHT SO THAT NOTHING IS WASTED.**



Ella Bennett <silohchurchsec@silohlutheran.org>

Joy to the World: Our God is greater

1 message

316NOW <316NOW@316now.org>
Reply-To: 316NOW <316NOW@316now.org>
To: silohchurchsec@silohlutheran.org

Mon, Dec 17, 2018 at 10:34 AM

316NOW's Good News at Christmas

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December 17, 2018



Over the last weeks in December, we are sharing the observations of a 316NOW Bible institute professor who visited China for the first time last fall. He describes the joy souls in China received as he told them about God's grace in Jesus. In this email, he provides us with an urgent call to action. It's a call we respond to because our God is greater.

"Our ministry is important"

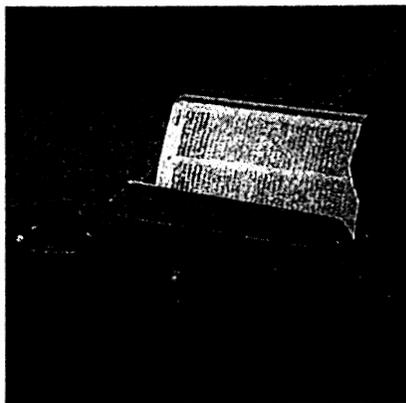
Our God is Greater than government resistance

The Chinese communist government denies God exists. Consequently, though religious liberty exists on paper, tolerance of Christianity is deteriorating in practice.

Barriers

Recently the government banned all Sunday Schools and children's ministries. Children are not allowed to attend worship. No baptisms of people under age 18 are allowed, not even in government-registered churches.

To be baptized, adult Christians must take many classes and pass a test. Other Christian adults are afraid to be publicly baptized because it could cost them their jobs.



Bullying

In a city we visited, an unregistered church with a number of our online students was forced to disband.

Those Christians didn't do anything wrong. The government concocted a "violation" that they had committed. These church-less Christians don't know what to do.

Banishment

We Americans who enjoy religious freedom can't understand the situation in China. The government knows everything. At any time, it can close a church or make life miserable for a Christian. It is probable that more and more Christians will have to go "underground," to practice their faith shielded from public view.

Bravery

As this suppression of the Christian faith continues to spread, 316NOW's ministry becomes more and more important. Our courage and commitment must grow.

- We must provide more online classes for these Christians. Our courses are treasured and shared by the people who attend.
- We must continue to work hard to provide spiritual support, resources, and teaching to China's pastors, preachers, and displaced laypeople.
- We must pray for the Christians in China. They are under great stress. Their future is uncertain. But the gates of hell will not prevail against the Lord's Church.

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is
Greater

Our God is greater.



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Romans 10:16-18 (NIV)

¹⁶ But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?"⁽¹⁾

¹⁷ Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

¹⁸ But I ask: Did they not hear? Of course they did:

"Their voice has gone out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."⁽²⁾

Join us for a Bible fellowship this Sunday to hear the message from our Lord!

- ***At 8:30 A.M. we're serving pastries, coffee, and juice.***
- ***At 9:00 A.M. we're serving God's word.***
- ***Bring a friend or a relative.***
- ***Ask questions.***
- ***Call 873-5770 for more information.***

Message Notes:

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Sunday Worship Service: 10:00AM

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