

*December 4, 2022*  
*The Second Sunday in Advent*



Our Advent-hope hosannas Expectantly arise  
To Jesus Christ, the Savior Who comes from Paradise.

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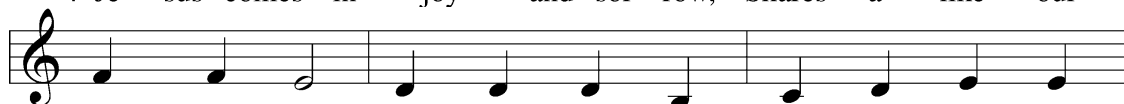
### OPENING HYMN

"Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring"

LSB 353



1 Je - sus came, the heav'ns a - dor - ing, Came with peace from  
2 Je - sus comes a - gain in mer - cy When our hearts are  
3 Je - sus comes to hearts re - joic - ing, Bring - ing news of  
4 Je - sus comes in joy and sor - row, Shares a - like our



realms on high; Je - sus came to win re - demp - tion,  
worn with care; Je - sus comes a - gain in an - swer  
sins for - giv'n; Je - sus comes with words of glad - ness,  
hopes and fears; Je - sus comes, what - e'er be - falls us,



Low - ly came on earth to die; Al - le - lu - ia!  
To an ear - nest, heart - felt prayer; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Lead - ing souls re - deemed to heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Cheers our hearts and dries our tears; Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Comes to save us from de - spair.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Hope to all the world is giv'n.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Com - forts us in fail - ing years.

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### INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION (*stand*)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the**

**holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## KYRIE



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Let us pray together the Collect of the day.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST READING *(sit)*

*Isaiah 11:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. <sup>2</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. <sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. <sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze; their young

shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup>In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

*Romans 15:4–13*

<sup>4</sup>Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." <sup>10</sup>And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." <sup>11</sup>And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." <sup>12</sup>And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." <sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

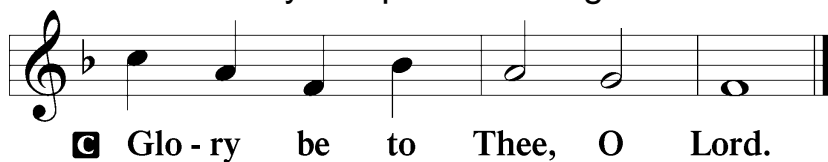
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(stand)*



Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 3rd chapter.



## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1–12

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” <sup>3</sup>For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’” <sup>4</sup>Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup>And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And on the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**HYMN OF THE DAY (sit)**

*“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”*

LSB 739

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;  
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,  
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
 When my life is al - most gone,  
 And the day is al - most gone,

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.  
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.  
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.  
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.  
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

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**SERMON**

Romans 15:4–13

**RITE OF MEMBERSHIP**

- P** Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: “Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.
- P** Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- R** Yes, I do.
- P** Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- R** Yes, I renounce them.

- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?
- R** *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*
- P** Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?
- R** *I do.*
- P** Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P** Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P** Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?
- R** *I do.*
- P** Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?
- R** *I will, with the help of God.*
- P** Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

**OFFERTORY** (*stand*)

LSB 192

**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 Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**OFFERING** *(God continually provides for us. Our giving should reflect our heartfelt cheerfulness that trusts in God. As your faith guides you, let your offering of all your gifts – time, talents, resources – enable us to move forward in the mission Christ has given us.) Rom. 12:1; 2 Cor. 8:1-9, 12; 2 Cor. 9:6-8,*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*stand*)**

**Pastor:** Heavenly Father, You stir the hearts of Your faithful to prepare us for the advent of Your Son. We implore You, feed us continually with Your Word and Sacraments as we look for His return. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** O Lord, by the ministry of Your Holy Church prepare the way for Your Son’s return in glory. Send forth faithful pastors to proclaim Your Law and Gospel, and grant hearers ears to listen and hearts to receive their words in faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Almighty God, You preserved Jesse’s faithful line by the incarnation of Your Son. Give families and individuals strength to faithfully fulfill their vocations to love and forgive one another, that we may be trained up in Your fear, love and trust. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Lord God, Your Son rules over creation with justice and righteousness. Endow those in authority with the desire and ability to protect the innocent, punish the wicked and work for the common welfare. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Compassionate Lord, as we await the day when the wolf will dwell alongside the lamb and pain and destruction are no more, grant us patience, comfort and healing, according to Your will. Hear our prayers for all the sick, *especially Melissa*, and give wisdom and skill to all medical professionals who care for them. Lord, in Your mercy,



**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Stir up our hearts, O Lord, and make ready the way of Your only begotten Son, who comes to us this day in His true body and precious blood for the forgiveness of our sins. May all who feast upon Him do so in repentance and faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Heavenly Father, grant that we may be kept in joy and sustained in hope through every trouble and trial of this mortal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

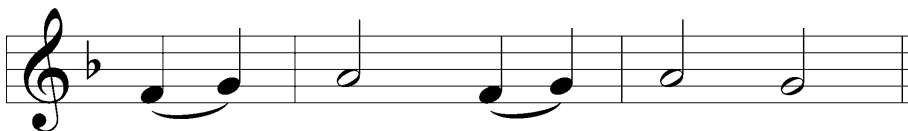
**People:** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



**G** It is meet and right so to do.

**Pastor:** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 195



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

**Our Father who 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against  
us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.  
Amen.**

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**Pastor:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

**Pastor:** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



☐ A - men.

## Agnus Dei

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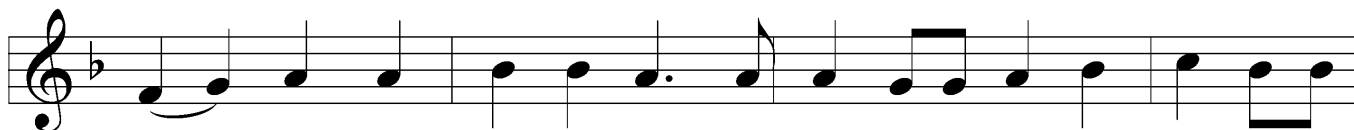
☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

### *Distribution*

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. ☐ **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. ☐ **Amen.**

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

☐ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace. ☐ **Amen.**

## Distribution Hymns

### "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

LSB 620



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my  
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and  
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His  
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the  
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter  
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
Whose own feast of love I savor,  
Bidden by His gracious call.  
Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me,  
Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,  
Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
Cleanses me from sin and error,  
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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### "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

LSB 366



1 It came up-on the mid-night clear, That glo - rious song of old,  
2 Still through the clo - ven skies they come With peace-ful wings un - furled,  
3 All you, be - neath your heav - y load, By care and guilt bent low,  
4 For lo, the days have come to pass By proph-ets seen of old,



From an - gels bend - ing near the earth To touch their harps of gold:  
 And still their heav'n-ly mu - sic floats O'er all the wea - ry world.  
 Who toil a - long a drea - ry way With pain - ful steps and slow:  
 When down in - to the cir - cling years Came Christ as was fore - told.



"Peace on the earth, good-will to all, From heav'n's all - gra - cious king."  
 A - bove its sad and low-ly plains They bend on hov - 'ring wing,  
 Look up, for gold - en is the hour, Come swift - ly on the wing,  
 His word of peace shall to the earth God's an - cient prom - ise bring,

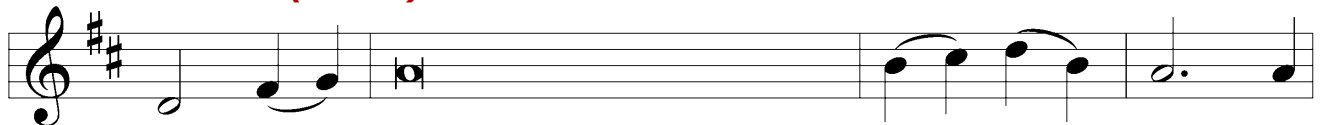


The world in sol - emn still - ness lay To hear the an - gels sing.  
 And ev - er o'er its ba - bel sounds The bless - ed an - gels sing.  
 The Prince was born to bring you peace; Of Him the an - gels sing.  
 And all who take this gift will hear The song the an - gels sing.

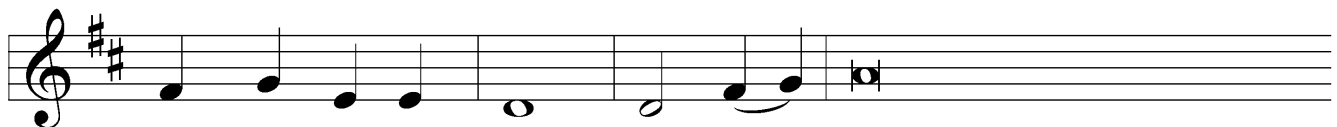
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## Nunc Dimittis *(stand)*

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**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



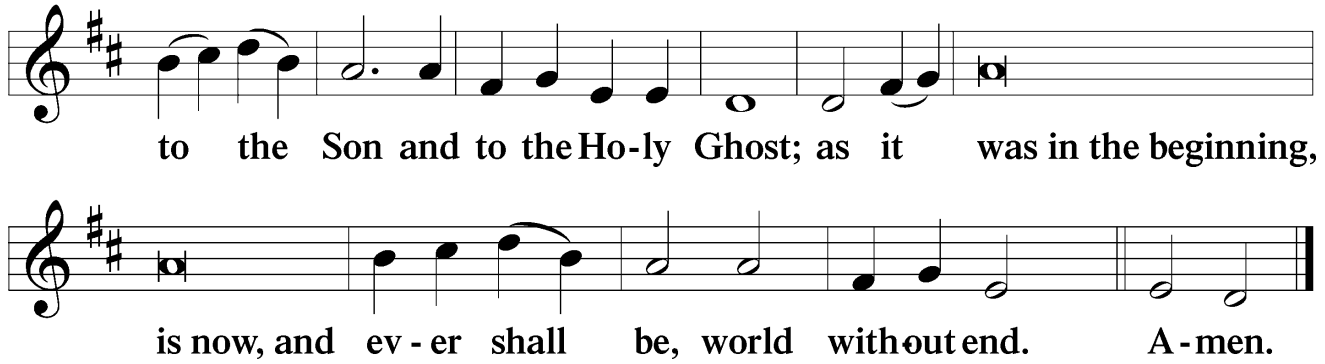
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

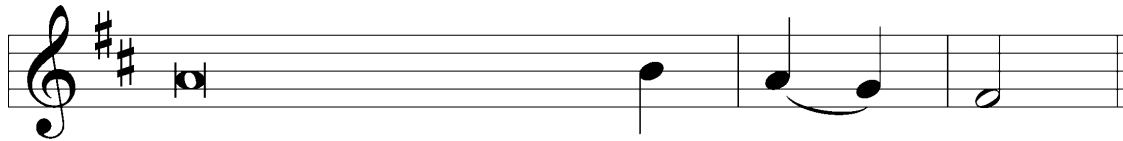


to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

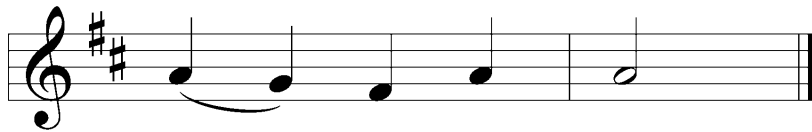
## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

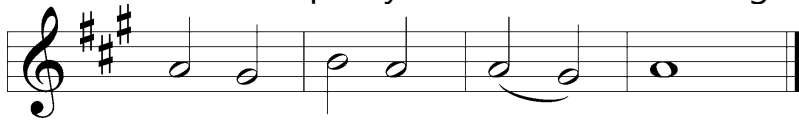
### Benediction

LSB 202

**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 favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

### CLOSING HYMN

*"Arise, O Christian People"*

LSB 354



1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre - pare your - selves to -  
2 Pre - pare the way be - fore Him; Pre - pare for Him the  
3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God rais - es up on  
4 Pre - pare my heart, Lord Je - sus; Turn not from me a -



day; Pre - pare to greet the Sav - ior, Who takes your  
best. Cast out what would of - fend Him, This great, this  
high; Be - neath His feet in ter - ror The haugh - ty  
side, And help me to re - ceive You This bless - ed



sins a - way. To us by grace a - lone The  
heav'n - ly guest. Make straight, make plain the way: The  
soul shall lie. The heart sin - cere and right, That  
Ad - vent - tide. From stall and man - ger low Come



truth and light were giv - en; The prom - ised Lord from  
low - ly val - leys rais - ing, The heights of pride a -  
heads God's in - vi - ta - tion And makes true prep - a -  
now to dwell with - in me; I'll sing Your prais - es



heav - en To all the world is shown.  
bas - ing, His path all e - ven lay.  
ra - tion— It is the Lord's de - light.  
glad - ly And forth Your glo - ry show.

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*Marcus Ackley will become a member of the Trinity Church Family today.  
Please welcome him to the Family!*



**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**, we pray to our merciful Heavenly Father for:

- ✦ **Healing and strengthened faith in Christ for those who are ill:** Melissa Pierpoint, and all those in need. *(Those individuals on the Short Term Prayer List since the beginning of last month have been moved to the Long Term Prayer List. For questions or further updates, please contact Pastor.)*
- ✦ **Our missionary:** Licensed Deacon Tulio Meza. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless Tulio with wisdom and all he needs as he works with the Comayaguela congregation to care for each other and bring the good news about Jesus to their area.
- ✦ **Ethnic congregations/ministries:** Cristo Cordero de Dios, Grand Island (Vacancy Pastors Rev. Luke Biggs and Rev. Adam Snoberger); African immigrant ministry (Rev. Eddie Mekasha); Peace International Friendship Center, Omaha (Rev. Jim Haack, director); Sudanese Ev. Lutheran Church, Omaha (Rev. Peter Gatkuoth); Lord of Lords Sudanese Lutheran Church, Omaha (Rev. Leroy Gerner, vacancy pastor); Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Outreach, Winnebago (Rev. Ricky Jacob).

### THOSE CELEBRATING SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

**Birthdays:** 12/7: Memphis Pingel; 12/8: Royce Johnson; 12/9: Elaina Riley

**Baptisms:** 12/4: Nora Ackley; 12/6: Paula Martin

**Anniversaries:** 12/4: Gary and Pat Maddox

SUN – 12/4	MON – 12/5	TUE – 12/6	WED – 12/7	THU – 12/8	FRI – 12/9	SAT – 12/10	SUN – 12/11
9:00 AM Adult & Children's Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion	8:00 - 11:00 AM Preschool	8:00 - 11:00 AM Preschool  6:30 PM Board of Elders	8:00 - 11:00 AM Preschool  6:00 - 6:45 PM Confirmation 6:15 PM Choir rehearsal 7:00 PM Advent Midweek Service	8:00 - 11:00 AM Preschool  7:00 PM LWML/Ladies Christmas Party	9:00 AM - 12:00PM Piano tuning taking place in the church		9:00 AM Adult & Children's Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship  6:30 PM SS/PS Christmas Program







**Members, please help us promote enrollment in our preschool.** If you know anyone with preschool age children, please give them one of our enrollment brochures (on the table in the narthex), or give their name to one of the members of Board of Education to contact. Thanks for your help!! Board of Education: Susan Johnston, Raedeahna Gerdes, Emily Crotty, Angie Becker, Merri Johnson.

*A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org) “Christmas is also a time to contemplate the gift of mortal LIFE through the miracle of birth. Christmas is the gift of LOVE that moms and dads shower on their children by saying yes to life—sometimes under very difficult circumstances. Regardless of the challenges, God has a perfect plan for each life that He brings into the world, and His will for them is to out-sparkle and out-shine any ornament.” Bradley Mattes, president of Life Issues Institute

**This week on KFUE.org:** Enjoy music for the season of Advent, study Advent hymnody on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), learn about St. Nicholas and St. Ambrose on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), and hear Advent Midweek Service from Village Lutheran Church in Ladue, MO, on 12/7 at 12:00 p.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!

## *Announcements December 4, 2022*

### *The Second Sunday in Advent*



**Preschool Book Orders and Donation!** A new catalog and order forms are on the table in the narthex to order books for your family or to donate to the Preschool. Books ordered by Samantha gives her points to get free books for the school. Please indicate with the order form/ payment whether you would like to keep or donate. Books you order for yourself will get to you when they come (in time for Christmas!). *Please put order forms and money in the Preschool mailbox, or slide under the Preschool Director's Office door. Have your order for this catalog in by December 9th.*

**Voter Volunteer needed:** a volunteer is needed to represent Trinity in casting a Synodical ballot for the President, First Vice President and a Regional Vice President of the LCMS. No travel is required, voting is done by computer. Anyone interested in more information or in serving in this role, please contact Pastor Brent or an Elder.

**For important activities during the busy holiday season in our community,** be sure to check out all the announcements and posters on the narthex door into the Fellowship Hall.

**LWML and Youth** will decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas **TODAY immediately after worship.**

**Poinsettia memorial and donation slips are on the table in the narthex, if you haven't yet turned in a donation or memorial, you can still do that TODAY.**

**Preschool Staff Gift:** The Board of Education would like to express gratitude for all the hard work our Preschool Director and Assistant Teacher do all year. If you would like to contribute to a gift for Samantha Dean & Kelly Allen, please see Susan Johnston **by TODAY!**

Welcome



**Can you host a small "Welcome Pastor and family" gathering in your home?**

Small group gatherings are being scheduled. Please check out the signup sheet and information on the table outside the church office about hosting a gathering to help Pastor Brent and his family get to know us.



*Sunday School & Preschool  
Christmas Program  
6:30 PM Sunday, December 11*

Be sure to put this event on your calendar.

You won't want to miss this wonderful, special time!

(Children will rehearse for the Program during Sunday School time on  
December 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>!)