

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMS

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November 29, 2020 | First Sunday in Advent | 8:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.



Divine Service 3 LSB pgs. 184-202

The Church Year begins by taking us to the scene of our Lord's final entry into Jerusalem that great and holy week. Yes, Christmas is at hand. Surely the preparations for the celebration of His incarnation, His earthly birth of the Virgin Mary, are already well under way. But wait a moment. We enter this new year already knowing why He became incarnate of the Holy Spirit for us and for our salvation, which is only by way of His passion, death, and resurrection. We begin by continuing to "wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ" on the Last Day (1 Corinthians 1:7), sustained by Him now in the forgiveness of our sins, guiltless and ready. In readiness, we boldly pray that our Lord comes to rescue and save us.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

To Our Congregation and Guests about the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is Jesus' meal of forgiveness and strength. However, because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because we also believe that receiving the Lord's Supper together is an outward profession of unity with one another in faith and doctrine, we would therefore only invite communicant members of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod to receive this gift with us. If you still desire to receive the sacrament, please first speak with the pastor.

Guests are still encouraged to come to the altar, cross their arms over their chests, and receive a special blessing.

Preparation for the Lord's Supper can be made by reading the front inside cover and pp. 326-327 of the hymnal along with reaffirming the following statements:

- I am baptized.
- I repent of my sins, trusting in Jesus' atoning sacrifice for forgiveness and eternal life.
- I believe that I will eat Jesus' actual flesh and blood in, with, and under bread and wine.
- As Jesus has forgiven and loved me, I do not refuse to forgive and love.
- By God's grace I will continue to frequently receive Word and Sacrament, and I will strive to lead a Godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus' holy name.

 $m{m{\$}}$ Service of Preparation $m{m{\$}}$

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Jim & Terri Diesing | 8:00 am Chedner, Lauren, Xander & Zayla Vaillant | 10:45 am Neil, Amber, Sammie & Malina Furr | 1:30 pm

Hymn of Invocation LSB 355 "O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide" O HEILAND, REISS DIE HIMMEL AUF



- 5 O Morning Star, O radiant Sun,
 When will our hearts behold Your dawn?
 O Sun, arise; without Your light
 We grope in gloom and dark of night.
- 6 Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies;
 Grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
 O come, lead us with mighty hand
 From exile to our promised land.
- 7 There shall we all our praises bring And sing to You, our Savior King; There shall we laud You and adore Forever and forevermore.

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$oldsymbol{\mathbb{H}}$ Confession and Absolution $oldsymbol{\mathbb{H}}$

L In the name of the Father and the 🕆 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

LSB pgs. 184-185 Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- L 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. [Hebrews 10:22]
- L Our help is in the name of the Lord, Psalm 124:8
- C who made heaven and earth.

C Amen.

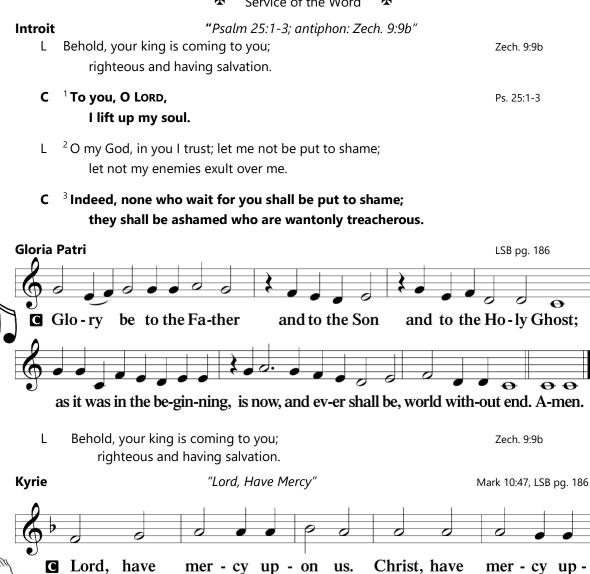
- L I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- L 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 ⊕ Son and of the Holy Spirit. John 20:19-23
- C Amen.



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Salutation and Collect of the Day

- L The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- L Let us pray.



Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come,

C that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance;

- L for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 64:1–9



that the mountains might quake at your presence as when fire kindles brushwood

and the fire causes water to boil—

to make your name known to your adversaries,

and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome things that we did not look for,

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,

you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From of old no one has heard

or perceived by the ear,

no eye has seen a God besides you,

who acts for those who wait for him.

You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,

those who remember you in your ways.

Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;

in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?

We have all become like one who is unclean,

and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.

We all fade like a leaf,

and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls upon your name,

who rouses himself to take hold of you;

for you have hidden your face from us,

LSB 189 2 Timothy 4:22 and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

But now, O Lord, you are our Father;

we are the clay, and you are our potter;

we are all the work of your hand.

Be not so terribly angry, O Lord,

and remember not iniquity forever.

Behold, please look, we are all your people.

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3–9

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Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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Gospel Reading Mark 13:24-37

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- L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the twenty-fourth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.



Jesus said: "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

- L This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

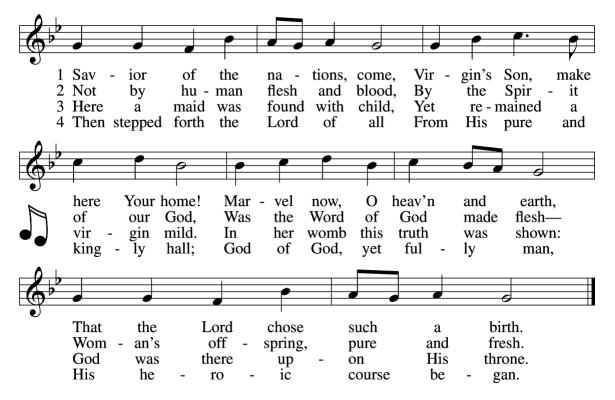
- L Christian, what do you believe?
- C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

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 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 \oplus of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day LSB 332

"Savior of the Nations, Come"

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- 5 God the Father was His source,
 Back to God He ran His course.
 Into hell His road went down,
 Back then to His throne and crown.
- 6 For You are the Father's SonWho in flesh the vict'ry won.By Your mighty pow'r make wholeAll our ills of flesh and soul.
- 7 From the manger newborn light Shines in glory through the night. Darkness there no more resides; In this light faith now abides.

 △8 Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king, Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.

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L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the President, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

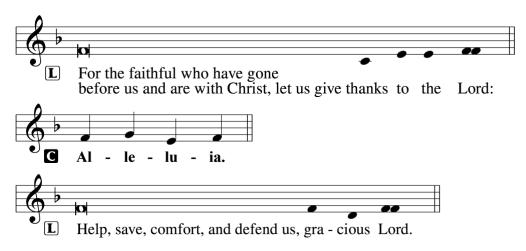
C Lord, have mercy.

L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

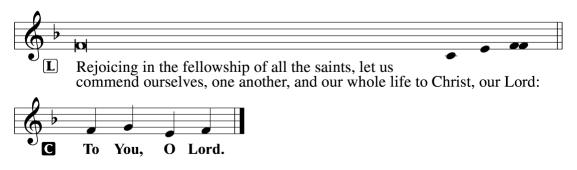
C Lord, have mercy.

- L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

The prayers then continue:



Silence for individual prayer may follow.



Collect for Peace

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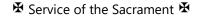
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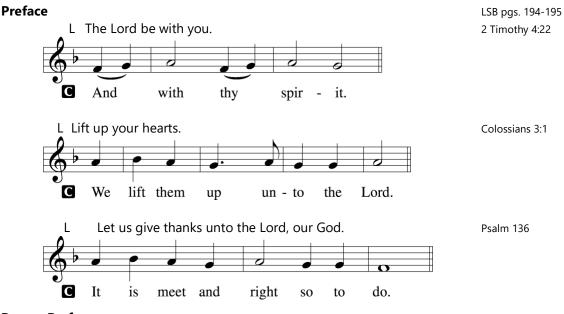
O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering -the offering is being collected at the Narthex-Sanctuary door.



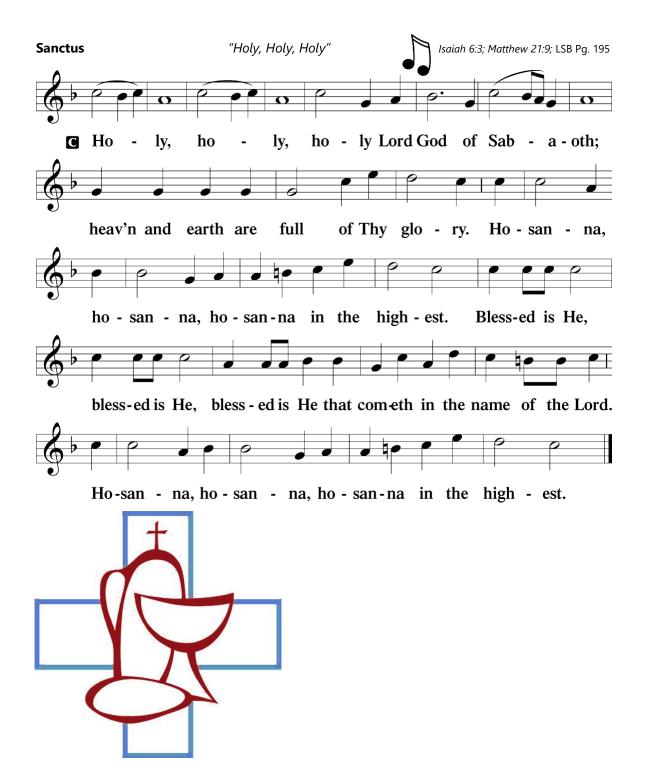




Proper Preface

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- L 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; whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might
 - escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory.
- **C** Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C 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.

Words of our Lord

P 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 ¹/₂ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 ⁺ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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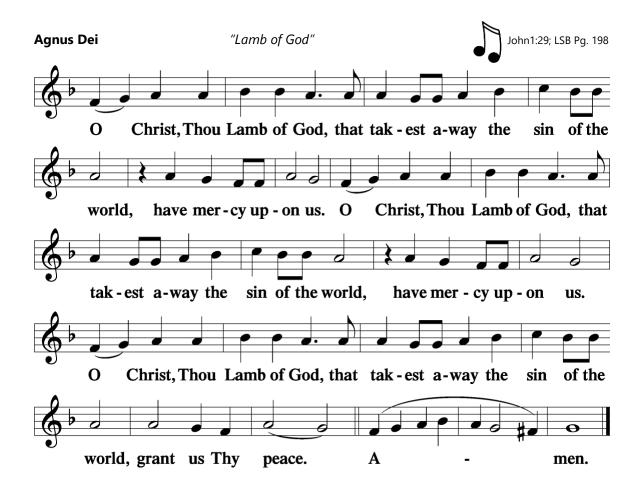
"The Peace of the Lord"





Matthew 6.9-13





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Distribution Hymn LSB 333 1 Once All He bless came in ing, sins our re -2 Now He gent ly With Him - self He leads _ us; will come that When with might - y 3 Soon hour_ 4 Come, then, 0 Lord Je From sins sus, our re -_ ing; dress -Came like ness low ly, in feeds Pre cious food _ from heav us en, Christ dor will come splen pow er in _ lease Keep hearts be liev ing, our us. σ Son of God most ho ly; Bore the cross to Pledge of peace here giv Man - na that will en, will judg - ment With the faith - ful der, And ren we, grace That ceiv ing, Ev - er may con re -6 θ Hope and free - dom gave save us; us. ish Souls that they may flour ish. nour _ be - yond com shar Joy ing. ing par -Till in heav'n we fess You bless You.

"Once He Came in Blessing"

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1 Lift hold. heads, ye might gates! Be the up your y righ - teous 2 A Help - er comes to thee: His char iot 3 How blest the land. the blest. Where Christ the cit y 4 Fling wide the heart; Make it por tals of your а 5 Re - deem - er. come and pen wide Mv heart to 0 King waits. The King of glo - ry of kings draw is ing hu - mil - i - ty, His king - ly li crown is ho is con-fessed! O rul er is peace - ful hearts and hap ру tem - ple set a - part From earth - lv use for heav'n's em a - bide! Thee; here, Lord, 0 with Thy di en ter grace The Sav - ior of world Life near; the is here. and sal pit dis -His scep - ter, ness. in tress. The end of y umph comes! The homes To whom this King cloud - less tri in A - dorned with prayer and So your ploy, love and joy. shall Thy face vine; of mer - cy on me shine. Thy Ho - lv re - joice and glad - ly sing. va - tion He doth bring; There-fore There-fore glad and sings. all our woe He brings: the is earth He of joy is Who comes His peo - ple free. sun to set And no - bler life Sov-'reign en ter in new and be - gin. Un - til Spir - it guide us on our glo - rious goal is won.

Distribution Hymn LSB 341 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

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Distribution Hymn LSB 331 *"The Advent of Our King"*

King 1 The ad - vent of our Our prayers must now em - ploy, ev - er - last - ing car - nate deigns to 2 The Son In be. Zi - on's daugh - ter, 3 O rise To low - ly meet your King, 4 As judge, on clouds of He will come light, soon a - gain And we must hymns of wel-come sing In strains of ho - ly iov. ser-vant's form puts on To set His Him - self а ser-vants free. Nor let your faith-less heart de-spise The peace He comes to bring. And His true mem-bers u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign. all 5 Before the dawning day Let sin's dark deeds be gone, The sinful self be put away,

The simul sell be put away,

The new self now put on.

 \bigtriangleup All glory to the Son,

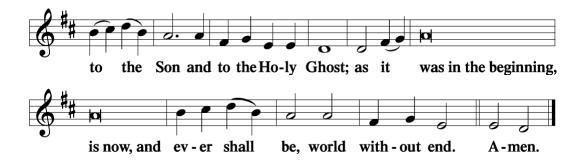
Who comes to set us free, With Father, Spirit, ever one Through all eternity.

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The Dismissal

- LSB Pg. 199
- L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 🕆 in peace.
- C Amen.





Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1, LSB pgs. 200

L O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

Your only-begotten Son into the flesh,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

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we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament,

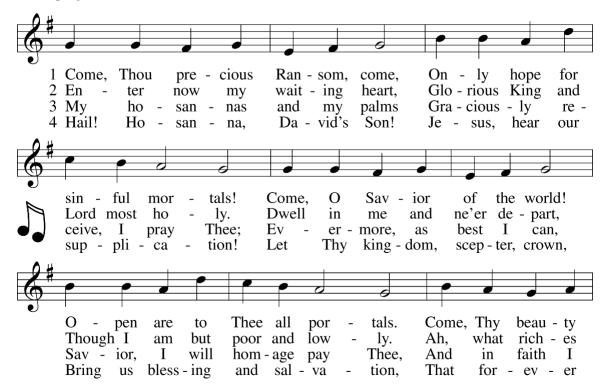
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent

- C and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You;
- L through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Salutation, Benedicamus & Benediction		LSB pgs. 201-202
L	The Lord be with you.	2 Timothy 4:22
С	And with thy spirit.	
L	Bless we the Lord.	Psalm 103:1
С	Thanks be to God.	
L	The Lord bless you and keep you.	Number 6:24-26
	The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.	
	The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and 🕆 give you peace.	



Closing Hymn LSB 350 "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"





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Sending

- P Go in peace, and serve the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Postlude



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Advent & Christmas

November 29th First Sunday of Advent 8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm Isaiah 64:1-9, I Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37

December 6th Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm

Isaiah 40:1-11, 2 Peter 3:8-14, Mark 1:1-8

December 13th Third Sunday of Advent 8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11, I Thessalonians 5:16-24, John 1:6-8, 19-28

December 20th Fourth Sunday of Advent 8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm The Great "O" Antiphons



Mid-Week Services Signing-up is not required for the Mid-Week Services. 12:00 & 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary December 2, 9, & 16

Sermon Series on Advent Hymns

There will be a hymn sing each week at 6:50 p.m.

Christmas Eve Services

Please sign-up in advance for Christmas Eve Services (call, text or email). 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 pm in the Sanctuary December 24th Candlelight at all services

Christmas Day Service *Signing-up is not required for the Christmas Day Service.* 9:30 am in the Sanctuary December 25th

December 27th The First Sunday of Christmas *Signing-up is not required.* 8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm in the Sanctuary

January 3rd The Second Sunday of Christmas *Signing-up is not required*. 8:00 am, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm in the Sanctuary

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