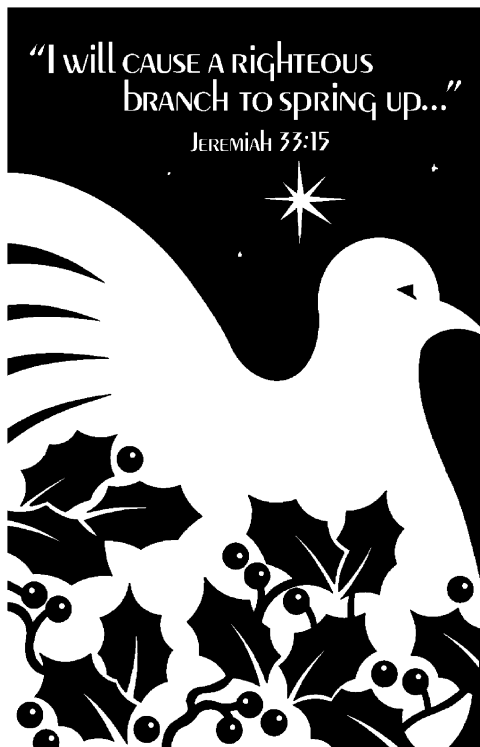


**First Sunday in Advent**  
**November 28, 2021 10:30 a.m. Service**



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## ***AS WE GATHER***

This is the First Sunday in Advent and the beginning of a new Church Year of grace. Our Church Year counts time differently than the secular calendar. We are tied to the fullness of time in which God sent His one and only Son into the womb of the virgin, born to save us. The First Sunday in Advent is the Sunday on or closest to November 30 (St. Andrew's Day).

Today, we begin a journey not simply to the manger but the familiar journey that takes us to the manger, the cross, and the empty tomb. It is not merely a remembrance of what took place so long ago but also preparation for what is to come – our Lord's return in glory to lay claim to His Church for all eternity.

Encouraged by the Spirit, we devote ourselves to

faithfully keeping what God has made known to us and showing forth our living faith in words and acts of repentance and holy living. But each Advent is a reminder that we are one step further from Bethlehem and one year closer to our Lord's coming again.

## **FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Divine Service – Setting Four  
November 28, 2021     10:30 a.m.

### ***Welcome & Announcements***

+ INVOCATION + *LSB 203*  
*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** We begin in the name into which we are baptized; In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

# Lighting the Advent Wreath

**P** The flames that burn on our Advent wreath symbolize Jesus -

**C the Light of the world.**

**P** He broke forth on the world that first Christmas morn as the Prince of Peace.

He is Jesus -

**C the Light of the world.**

**P** The evergreen of the wreath represents the full life that is found in Jesus -

**C the Light of the world.**

**P** Our first candle is the prophecy candle. It begins for us a time of preparation and patient waiting for the One who was foretold, Jesus -

**C the Light of the world.**

## Opening Hymn

LSB 331 sts. 1-6

### “The Advent of Our King”



- 1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,  
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,  
3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,  
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain



And we must hymns of wel-come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.  
Him-self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.  
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.  
And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

- 5 Before the dawning day  
Let sin's dark deeds be gone  
The sinful self be put away,  
The new self now put on.

- △ 6 All glory to the Son,  
Who comes to set us free,  
With Father, Spirit, ever one  
Through all eternity.

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## Stand

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION + LSB 203

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 124:8*

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,  
O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness;  
therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's  
Word and call upon Him in prayer and  
praise, let us first consider our  
unworthiness and confess before God and  
one another that we have sinned in thought,  
word, and deed, and that we cannot free  
ourselves from our sinful condition.

*(Silence for self-examination and confession to  
God in light of the Ten Commandments and  
reflection on God's Word.)*

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: *Luke 18:13*

**☐ C** God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**☐ P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. *LSB 292*

**☐ C** Amen.

**☐ P** Do you believe that my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?

**☐ C** Yes. *LSB 293*

**☐ P** Let it be done for you as you believe.

**P** Almighty God in His *LSB 203*  
mercy has given His Son to  
die for you and for His sake forgives you  
all your sins. As a called and ordained  
servant of Christ, and by His authority, I  
therefore forgive you all your sins, in the  
name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and  
of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD + *LSB 204*

## **Introit**

*Ps. 89:6, 14-16, 18; antiphon: Zech. 9:9b, alt.*

**P** Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.

**C** Who in the skies can be compared to  
the LORD? Who among the heavenly  
beings is like the LORD,



**[P]** Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

**[C]** Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,

**[P]** who exult in your name all the day and in your righteousness are exalted.

**[C]** For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

**[P] [C]** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**[P]** Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.

# Kyrie

*Mark 10:47, LSB 204*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

# Hymn of Praise/Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204*

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day *LSB 205*

**P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## **Old Testament Reading** *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

14 “‘The days are coming,’ declares the LORD, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

15 “‘In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line; he will do what is just and right in the land.

16 In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.’

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual**                      *Zech. 9:9; Ps. 118:26, alt.*

**Ⓐ Ⓒ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you.**

**Epistle Reading**      *1 Thessalonians 3:9-13*  
9 How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?  
10 Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith. 11 Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you.

12 May the Lord make your love increase  
and overflow for each other and for  
everyone else, just as ours does for you.

13 May he strengthen your hearts so that  
you will be blameless and holy in the  
presence of our God and Father when our  
Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

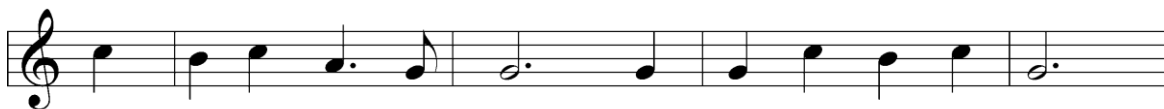
*Hymn of Praise*

*LSB 807 sts. 1-5*

*“When Morning Gilds the Skies”*



|   |       |             |           |             |           |       |        |                |                  |
|---|-------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------|--------|----------------|------------------|
| 1 | When  | morn - ing  | gilds     | the         | skies,    | My    | heart, | a - wak - ing, | cries,           |
| 2 | When  | mirth       | for       | mu - sic    | longs,    | This  | is     | my             | song of songs:   |
| 3 | No    | love - lier | an - ti - | phon        |           | In    | all    | high           | heav'n is known  |
| 4 | Ye    | na - tions  | of        | man - kind, |           | In    | this   | your           | con - cord find: |
| 5 | Sing, | suns        | and       | stars       | of space, | Sing, | ye     | that           | see His face,    |



“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” When eve - ning shad - ows fall,  
 “May Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s ho - ly house of prayer  
 Than “Je - sus Christ be praised!” There to the e - ter - nal Word  
 “May Je - sus Christ be praised!” Let all the earth a - round  
 Sing, “Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s whole cre - a - tion o’er,



This rings my cur - few call: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Hath none that can com - pare With “Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Ring joy - ous with the sound: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Both now and ev - er - more Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse *John 20:31, LSB 205*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



# Holy Gospel

## *Luke 19:28-40*

**¶** The Holy Gospel according to  
St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

28 After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 30 “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say,



‘The Lord needs it.’”

32 Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

34 They replied, “The Lord needs it.”

35 They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it.

36 As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

37 When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

38 “Blessed is the king who comes in the

name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

40 “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

*Hymn of the Day*

*LSB 332 sts. 1-8*

*“Savior of the Nations, Come”*



|   |      |         |       |     |       |       |        |        |       |      |        |       |      |      |
|---|------|---------|-------|-----|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|--------|-------|------|------|
| 1 | Sav  | -       | ior   | of  | the   | na    | -      | tions, | come, | Vir  | -      | gin's | Son, | make |
| 2 | Not  | by      | hu    | -   | man   | flesh | and    | blood, | By    | the  | Spir   | -     | it   |      |
| 3 | Here | a       | maid  | was | found | with  | child, | Yet    | re    | -    | mained | a     |      |      |
| 4 | Then | stepped | forth | the | Lord  | of    | all    | From   | His   | pure | and    |       |      |      |



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,  
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—  
vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:  
king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,

That the Lord chose such a birth.  
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
God was there up - on His throne.  
His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

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 Son  
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.  
By Your mighty pow'r make whole  
All 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.

*Text attributed to Ambrose of Milan 340-397AD*

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**Sermon**

**“Hope Looks”  
Pastor Tom Rhodes**

*Stand*

# **Apostle's Creed**

*LSB 207*

**☐ C** 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, died, and was 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.**

## **Offering**

*In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plate in the back as you enter or exit. (This is just as it says: An offering to God through His church. As a reassurance to those in worship today, especially our guests - this is not an obligation - the good news of Jesus is free to all!)*

## **Offertory (no intro)**

*LSB 781 sts. 1-2*

### *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first two lines of the hymn. The second staff contains the melody for the next two lines. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

## **Prayer of the Church**

*LSB 207*

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

### *Brief silence*

**P** Almighty God, we give You thanks for the beginning of another church year. As You have kept us in the days passed, we pray You would continue to keep us in the hope of the cross of Christ in the days to come. Guide us to be faithful in all things, grateful for all Your gifts, urgent in Your work and hopeful for Christ's coming again. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, keep us from becoming contented with this life and from despair over the burdens of the flesh. We pray earnestly to see Your face and to know the joy of Your presence. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, we know how easily the good things You have supplied can be abused and used for harm instead of good. Deliver all who struggle with addiction, pain, and besetting sin. Restore us when we fall and bring us the strength of Your Word and Sacraments to sustain us. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, we enjoy the many and rich blessings You have showered upon our nation. Grant to us wise and faithful leaders who will help us use Your bounty for good. Establish Your peace among the nations and bring to nothing the plots of those who delight in evil, terror and violence. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, we face illness, hurt, suffering, grief and death, but not without Your grace to comfort us or Your hope to encourage us. Give grace to each as they have need, that sustained through their afflictions they may rejoice in Your



promises, recalling especially before You this day Your servants on our prayer list and cards. Lord, in Your mercy,

**☐** **hear our prayer.**

**☐** Almighty God, we pray not as we ought but as we are able, trusting in Your mercy to supply us with all things needful and beneficial. Keep far from us all things harmful, that we may be kept holy and blameless to the day of Christ's coming; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**☐** **Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer** *Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 209*

**☐** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**☐** **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.

**Benedicamus and Benediction**    *LSB 212*

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**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.

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

*Closing Hymn*

*LSB 348 sts. 1-5*

*“The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns”*



- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light tri - um-phant breaks,
- 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, To bear and fight and die,
- 3 Oh, bright-er than the ris - ing morn When Christ, vic - to-rious, rose
- 4 Oh, bright-er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race
- 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light and beau-ty brings.



When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a-wakes.  
But crowned with glo - ry like the sun That lights the morn-ing sky.  
And left the lone-some place of death De - spite the rage of foes.  
The day when Christ in splen-dor comes And we shall see His face.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo-ple pray: Come quick-ly, King of kings!

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