

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022 ~ 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**DIVINE SERVICE 4 LSB 203  
*Non-Communion Service***



# *First Sunday of Advent*

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## WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS

For your convenience personal hearing assistance units are available. Large Print Bulletins, Newsletters, and Portals of Prayers are also available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

As you are entering the sanctuary, you are entering the house of God. Prepare yourselves for worship by silently meditating on God's love. Please refrain from loud conversation before the service that would distract those for whom a preparatory meditation is important.

To those who may be visiting us today, your presence here today is a delight to us! With joy we welcome you in the name of Jesus.

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### WELCOME

**HYMN**                      **Savior of the Nations, Come**

**LSB 332 sts. 1-2, 5-8**

*(Please rise for last stanza)*

### INVOCATION, CONFESSION OF SINS and ABSOLUTION

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**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, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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. 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: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

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

**P** Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I

therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Sons and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### ✠ LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE ✠

**P** Jesus Christ is the light of the world,

**C** the light no darkness can overcome.

**P** Let Your light scatter the darkness

**C** and illumine Your Church.

*(As the hymn is introduced, the Elder/acolyte prepare to light the Advent Candle and the Advent Candle is lit as we sing this hymn)*

### HYMN STANZA

### We Light the Advent Candle

One & All Rejoice 172 st. 1

1 We light the Ad - vent can - dle And wait for Christ to  
come. With hope, we trust the prom - ise That  
He will bring us home. Our hope is in our  
Sav - ior Who wins for us God's fa - vor. We  
wait with grow - ing light Till God makes all things right!

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### SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**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.**

*(Please be seated)*

✠ **WORD** ✠

## **PSALM**

*Psalm 122*

*(Congregation speaks the lines in **bold** responsively)*

I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

**Our feet have been standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

Jerusalem—built as a city  
that is bound firmly together,  
**to which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD,  
as was decreed for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.**

There thrones for judgment were set,  
the thrones of the house of David.

**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!**  
**"May they be secure who love you!**

Peace be within your walls  
and security within your towers!"

**For my brothers and companions' sake  
I will say, "Peace be within you!"**

For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,  
I will seek your good.

**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.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 2:1–5*

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,  
and many peoples shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”  
For out of Zion shall go the law,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  
He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.  
O house of Jacob,  
come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

*Romans 13:11–14*

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please rise)*

## ALLELUIA and VERSE

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.



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

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 24:36–44*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

[Jesus said:] "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

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

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

*(Please be seated)*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN**            **The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns**

**LSB 348**

**SERMON**            **"AS IT WAS, SO IT SHALL BE"**

*Text: Matthew 24:36-44*

*(Please rise)*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

*(Hymnal – Inside Back Cover)*

**PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD**

*(As our offerings are brought forward, we sing the Offertory)*

**OFFERTORY**

*DS3, 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.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(Following each petition, congregation responds "hear our prayer")*

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*(Hymnal – Inside Back Cover)*

**BENEDICTION**

*LSB 183*

- 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** **Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

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**SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY**

**Preacher:** Rev. Gregg Stanton  
**Organist/ Music Director:** Kim Woller

**Lay Readers:** (8:00 AM) Dennis Kutz  
 (10:30 AM) Jessica Butzlaff

**Elders:** (8:00 AM) Dennis Kutz  
 (10:30 AM) Craig Butzlaff

**Ushers:** (8:00 AM) Team 5 – Patrick Cleve Team  
 (10:30 AM) Team 6 – Gary Dwyer Team

**Acolytes:** (8:00 AM) Max Blair  
 (10:30 AM)

**Fellowship Snacks provided by:** Conto/Brookins Family

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***Advent Midweek Services:*** We continue the tradition of preparation through special midweek services, focusing on "Jesus Christ, the Son ...". A lunch will follow the morning service at 11:30 AM and a dinner will precede the evening service at 5:30 PM (free-will offering). Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. In-person service times are:

Wednesday, November 30 – 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 7 – 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 14 – 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

***Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship*** ~ Saturday, December 24 – 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM

***Christmas Day Worship Service*** ~ Sunday, December 25 – 10:00 AM

***New Year's Eve Worship Service*** ~ Saturday, December 31 ~ 7:00 PM

***First Sunday after Christmas (New Year's Day)*** ~ Sunday, January 1 ~ 10:00 AM