

+ FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT +
November 28, Year of our Lord 2020 | DS1



Hymn: 331 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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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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



Matt 28:19

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. *1 Jn 1:8-9*

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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 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. *John 20:19-23*

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

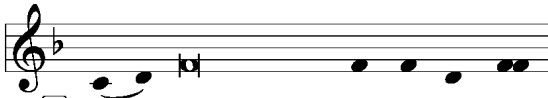
Psalms 25:1-3; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.



- P** Behold, your king is com- | ing to you; *
righteous and having sal- | vation.
- C** **To you, | O LORD,***
I lift | up my soul.
- O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame; *
let not my enemies exult | over me.
- Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame,***
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
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righteous and having sal- | vation.



Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy (Mark 10:47)



- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C** Lord, have mer - cy.
- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. [2]
- A** For the peace of the whole world, ...Church of God, ...unity of all, let us pray... [3]
- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray... [4]
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. [5]



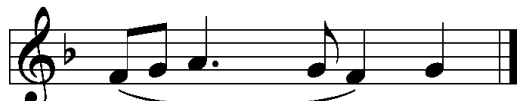
2. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



3. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



4. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



5. **C** A - men.

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted in Advent due to penitential nature of the season.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so 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 A - men.

Old Testament

Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, 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, 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, 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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.

C 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

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you,

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Psalm 24:7

P Alleluia. Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Alleluia.

Alleluia and Verse

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their



cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

**☩ 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.**



Children's Message (11:00 a.m. service only unless several children are present at 9:00 a.m. service)

Hymn: 332 Savior of the Nations, Come

attr. Ambrose of Milan, AD 340-397

Choir alone will sing select stanzas 1, 3, and 5 at 11 a.m. service only.



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.

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+ Sermon +

Announcement of Offering and Greeting of Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

PRAYERS TO GOD ON BEHALF OF...

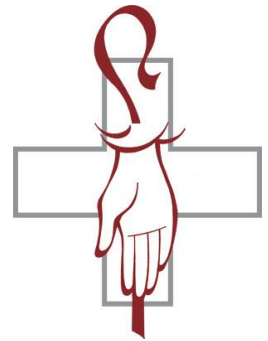
World: Troubled regions of the world. Church: Preparation for our King to come, Advent!

Birth: **Frankie** (grandson and nephew to the Nunnink and Lee families at Praise, born Thursday morning in Colorado). **Thomas Bean** (new grandson of friends of Judy Kalkitis)

Expecting a child: **Luke & Blair Johnson**

Recently Married: **Cole & Tamia Smith** (Oct 14); **Jackson & Morgan James** (Oct 23)

Mourning: **Evelyn** (Carley Lawson's nana passed on 11/15; funeral on 11/27). Family of **Luverne Johnson** (Ole's brother in WI) who passed away. Family of **Russel Parmer** (Ann Brown's friend family) who passed from covid. Family of **Paul & Donna Mondy** (Donna is Tom [and Colis] William's sister) who both died of covid. Family of Ben DeHaven's daughter **Holly**.



Health: **Claudette Kinney** (blood clot surgery recovery). **Myrna Fazier** (medical tests this week); **Lee Schuck** (broke hip; recovering). **Jeanne Lindenfelser** (broke leg above ankle). **Pam Truby** (cancer procedure recovery); **Dick Mohr** (lung condition). **Tim Smith** health. **Larry Wacker** health and improvement. **Joan Large** recovering after breaking arm near wrist. **Pastor Tony Sikora** (in Michigan, much recovery needed after effects of Covid). **Stevie** (Aurora's son; stroke recovery). **Marge Peterson** (a friend of Jeanne Lindenfelser) [Marge's] **cousin** Sandy who has 30 days of cancer radiation treatments and for Marge's two **greatgrandchildren** who both are having seizures. **Sean** (Judy's nephew, Florida friend of Tami DeHaven) recovering from coma. **Dwight & Kay** (Myrna's sister and brother-in-law) health. **KP Blizzard** (newborn great grandson of Sandy Bagley) paralyzed vocal cord. **Larry & Janeen Meier** (Maureen's sister and brother-in-law) health. **Cathy Wacker's parents** (health and daily protection from falls). **Anna Roberts**

(Jim & Maureen's daughter-in-law—married to Travis) breast cancer treatments. **Carolyn Gaugert** (sister-in-law to Sharon Yoder) pancreatic cancer. **Jim Vespers's parents** (health, especially Jim's father).

Birthdays ... Steve K 11/29, Valerie V 11/29, Lisa G 12/3, Tiana S 12/4, Jim V 12/5, Barbara M 12/8, Jennifer H 12/9, Kathleen L 12/11, Gary M 12/11

Anniversaries... Tim & Michele N 12/15, Thomas & Kathleen L 12/20, Larry & Janet M 12/20, Art & April P 12/30

Lord's Prayer

**☩ 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.**

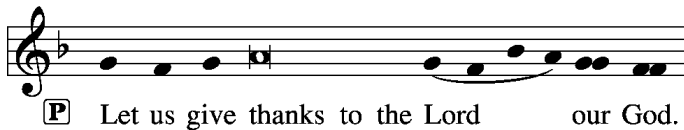
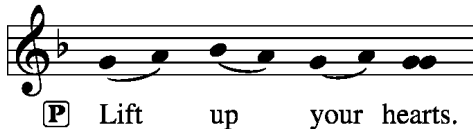
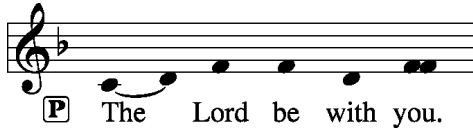
Benedicamus and Benediction (for those watching on the Livestream)

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord's Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

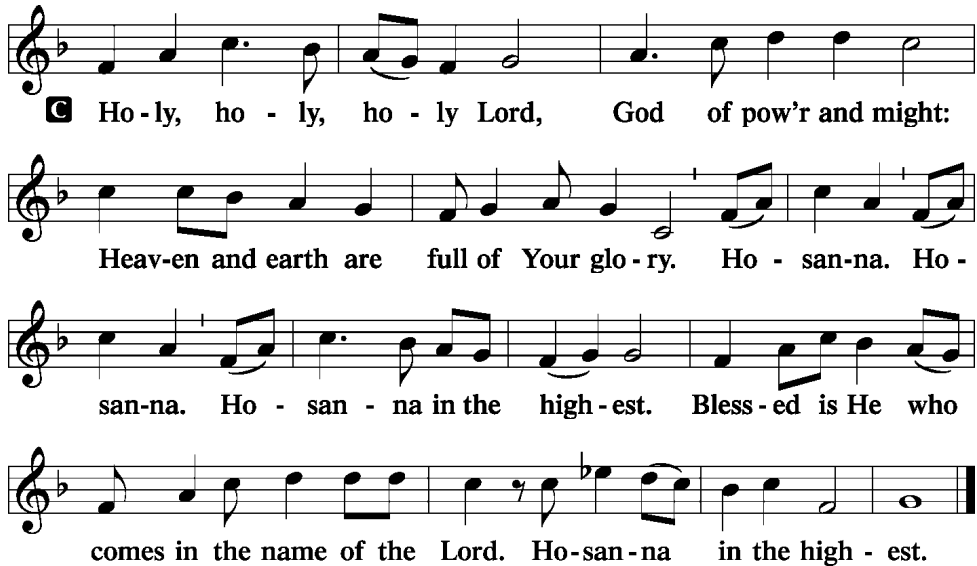
Preface ~ 2 Tim. 4:22; Col. 3:1, Psalm 136



P It is truly good, right, and ...(seasonal preface in Altar Book)... You and saying:

Sanctus ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3, Matt 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Distribution



Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

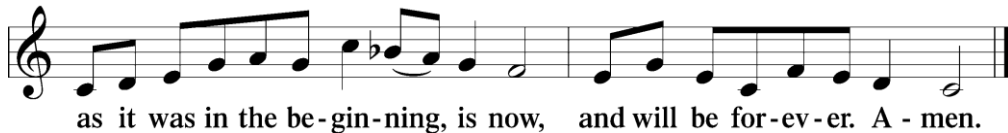
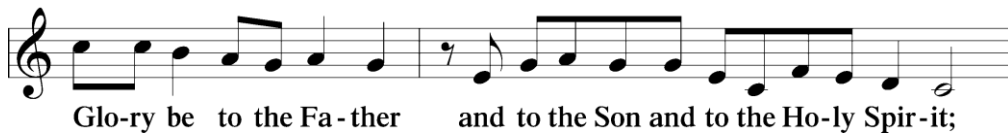
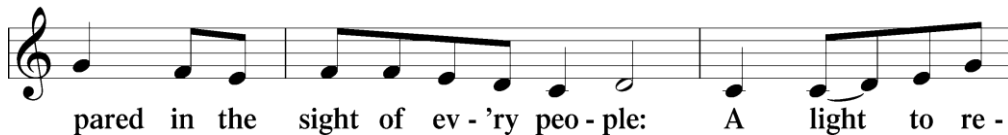
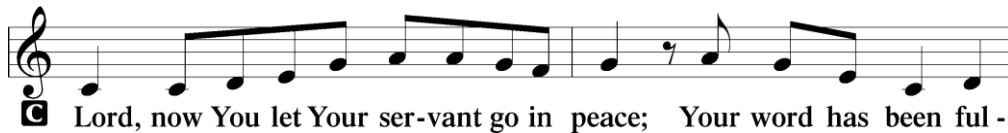
Distribution Hymn: 348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

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Distribution Hymn: 706 Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

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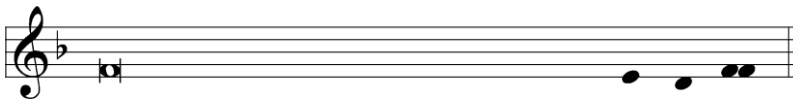


Post-Communion Collect

- A** 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 in 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.



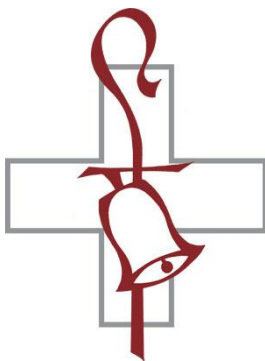
Benediction



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.



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Announcements

Midweek Advent Services (Evening Prayer) begin THIS WED, Dec 1 at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. with Soup & Sandwiches at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting with LCEF Representative Paul Reaves this Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at Praise.

Voters Meeting next Sun, Dec 5 at 10:30 a.m. (after a shortened Bible Study) to approve 2020 Budget.

Christmas Gifts for Blount County Foster Children envelopes are available TODAY for you to pick up, prepare a gift, and bring back to church for a blessing before delivery. Return gifts by Sun, December 5.

Young Adults (18ish to 25ish) Bible Study next meets on Sun, Dec. 5 (1st and 3rd Sundays), at 5:00 p.m. at Levi and Suzanne Nunnink's home: 1416 Lonas Dr. Maryville, TN 37803. Dinner, Bible study led by Levi, and dessert!

Youth Catechesis next meets Dec 5, and Dec 19. Topic: The Apostles' Creed.

Youth and Families Christmas Party (food, Karaoke, ugly sweaters...) on Dec 12 in the Social Hall after services. See Alex & Shelby Hicks for more details.

Praise Christmas Extravaganza featuring entertainment **Smith & Cole** on Wed, Dec 22 at 6:00 p.m. (Soup & Sandwich dinner; Prayer Service; then Entertainment).

Bible Study on Sunday Mornings on the **Psalms** of the Bible. Join us at 10:00 a.m.

Choir meets this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study (weekly) Thurs. at 10 a.m. at Praise.

Men's Lunch (weekly): Thurs. at 11:30 a.m. (at El Jimador Mexican Restaurant this week)