

First Sunday in Advent



Jesus is Coming! Keep Watch!



"I rejoiced with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the LORD."" Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

November 27, 2022

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 1)

The Advent of Our King



With Father, Spirit, ever one

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. John Chandler, 1806-76, alt. Tune: ST. THOMAS (SM) Aaron Williams, 1731-76.

Through all eternity.

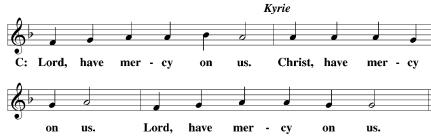
STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

M: We light one Advent candle, remembering Jesus, who is coming again. He will come to gather his people from everywhere, both the living and the dead.

C: We remember Jesus, who will come at the end of time. None of us know what day that will be.

M: We hear his call to watch.

C: We light one Advent candle as a sign of our watchfulness and waiting.

M: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest.

C: Through your Word and Spirit may our souls be blessed.

One Advent candle is lit.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength, and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

This is the message that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

² This will take place in the latter days: The mountain of the LORD's house will be established as the chief of the mountains. It will be raised above the hills. and all nations will stream to it like a river. ³ Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. Then he will instruct us about his ways, and we will walk in his paths." For from Zion the law will go out, and the LORD's word will go out from Jerusalem. ⁴*He will judge between the nations,* and he will mediate for many peoples. Then they will beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into blades for trimming vines. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, nor will they learn war anymore. ⁵ O house of Jacob, come, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

PSLAM OF THE DAY





The LORD is my rock, my fortress and by de<u>liv</u>erer;* my God is my rock, in whom I take <u>ref</u>uge.

He reached down from on high and took <u>hold</u> of me;* he rescued me from my powerful <u>en</u>emy.

He brought me out into a <u>spa</u>cious place;* he rescued me because he delight<u>ed</u> in me.

Refrain

You, O LORD, keep my lamp <u>burn</u>ing;* my God turns my darkness <u>in</u>to light.

You save the <u>hum</u>ble* but bring low those whose eyes are <u>haugh</u>ty.

You give me your shield of <u>vic</u>tory,* and your right hand sus<u>tains</u> me.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON

¹¹ And do this since you understand the present time. It is already the hour for you to wake up from sleep, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is almost over, and the day is drawing near. So let us put away the deeds of darkness and put on the weapons of light. ¹³ Let us walk decently as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual sin and wild living, not in strife and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not give any thought to satisfying the desires of your sinful flesh.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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HYMN (CW 472)

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray (see p. 10)

SERMON

Matthew 24:36-44

³⁶ "No one knows when that day and hour will be, not the angels of heaven, not even the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ Just as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be when the Son of Man returns. ³⁸ In fact, in the days before the flood people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the very day that Noah entered the ark. ³⁹ And they did not realize what was coming until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be when the Son of Man returns.

⁴⁰ "At that time two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴² So be alert, because you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: If the master of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ You also need to be ready for this reason: The Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not expect him.

The End of "Same-Old, Same-Old"

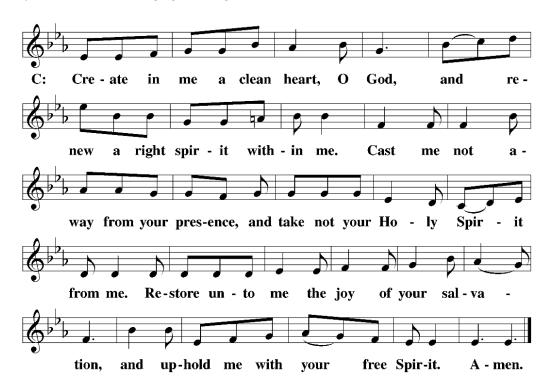
STAND

(After the sermon, the service continues with the Create in Me on page 11)

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray



Text: Johann B. Freystein, 1671–1718, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: STRAF MICH NICHT (76 76 33 66) *Hundert* . . . *geistlicher Arien*, Dresden, 1694, alt. After the sermon, the congregation sings:



OFFERING BROUGHT FORWARD & OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Eternal Father, throughout the centuries you repeated and affirmed your promise to send the offspring of the woman to crush the serpent's head. Through your prophets of old, you continually directed the eyes of your people to the advent of their Savior.

C: We praise you, O Lord, for keeping your promise and sending your Son to destroy the works of the devil.

M: As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our King, use your mighty Word to shatter our pride and to rouse us from spiritual slumber and apathy.

C: Move us to take to heart the words of John: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."

M: You sent your Son to redeem us from sin. Let this good news be our joy and strength. Use it to cheer the lonely, encourage the fearful, and give hope to the despairing. In these days before Christmas, spare us from the stress of deadlines and the frenzy of commercialism.

C: Fill our lives with the message of your peace and the music of your grace.

M: Direct our eyes not only to the manger but also to the skies, where we will see your Son coming again, not as a lowly child but as the Lord of lords.

C: Lift up our hearts in joyful anticipation of that day.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: Come quickly, Lord Jesus, in your grace, in your power, and in your glory.

C: Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared when he called people to repentance and pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



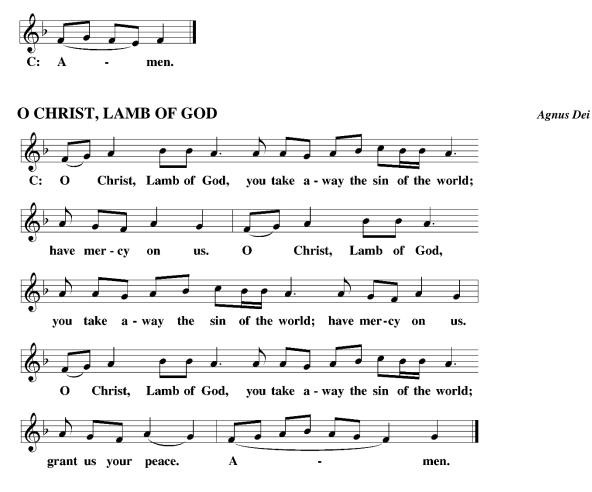
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Sanctus

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future. **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** (CW 32)



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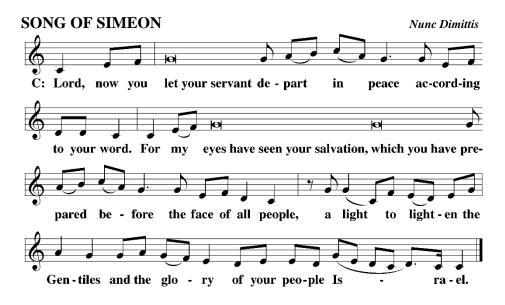
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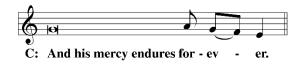


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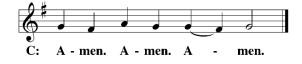
M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



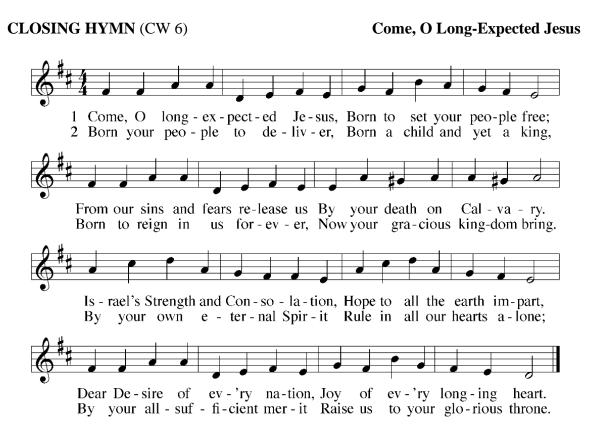
M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 9:15 am 1 Peter, Sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am Judges, Upstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm

Psalms, Downstairs

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45)

Matthew, DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Sunday November 27: First Sunday in Advent Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilman/Elder: Dave Olson (8:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Roger LaGrange and Lynn Biwer
- Ushers 10:30 am: The Heath Family
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Mike Wilson
- Refreshments: Jenswold
- Altar Guild: Karie Ehlenbach
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker

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Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to John Schueman (11/29), Ryan Jaeger (11/30), Carol Pederson (11/30), Brittani Olson (12/1), Sarah Kerl (12/3) and Nathan Strong (12/3) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Pam & Roger Timm (11/27) and Jack & Julie Doyle (11/29) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Next Sunday: We need 3 or 4 people to provide baked goods on December 4 for the Lakeside choir. Suggested items are either coffee cake or 2 dozen muffins each. If you can help, contact RaeLyn Parker or the church office.

Looking Ahead:

- December 3, 10 & 17: Children's service practice, 9:00 am
- December 4: Lakeside Lutheran Acapella Choir joins our worship
- December 4: Advent by Candlelight at Lord of Love, social time 3:30, program starts 4:00 pm
- **December 7:** Giving Tree gifts due to church
- December 21: Children's Christmas Service, 6:30 pm
- December 24: Christmas Eve Worship 6:30 pm
- December 25: Christmas Day Worship, 9:00 am one service
- December 31: New Year's Eve Worship, 4:00 pm
- January 1: Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am
- January 19, 2023: Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12:00 5:00 pm