Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont, Illinois

First Sunday in Advent Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 8:30 AM

Service of Matins (morning)

Music Prelude/Ringing of the Bell/Welcome

(Stand)

ADVENT VERSICLES J

LSB 219

- L O Lord, open my lips,
- and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- make haste to help me, O Lord.
- 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. Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

+ PSALMODY +

- L Behold, the Lord comes to save us.
- O come, let us worship Him.

VENITE

LSB 220

O come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in His hand; the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, for He made it, and His hand formed the dry land.
O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

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.

ANTIPHON

- L Behold, the Lord comes to save us.
- O come, let us worship Him.

- ₱ ¹Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph | like a flock!*
- ☑ You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, | shine forth.

 ²Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Ma- | nasseh,*
 stir up your might
 and come to | save us!
- ³Restore us, | O God;*

 let your face shine, that we | may be saved!
- ⁴O LORD | God of hosts,*
 how long will you be angry with your | people's prayers?
 ⁵You have fed them with the | bread of tears*
 and given them tears to drink in full | measure.
 ⁶You make us an object of contention for our | neighbors,*
 and our enemies laugh a- | mong themselves.
- ₱ TRestore us, O | God of hosts;*
 let your face shine, that we | may be saved!

(Sit)

OFFICE HYMN 332 SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS, COME + READINGS +

READING Isaiah 64:1–9

A reading from Isaiah, chapter 64.

¹Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—

² 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!

³When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

⁴From 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.

⁵You 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?

⁶We 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.

⁷There 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.

⁸But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

⁹Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God.

READING 1 Corinthians 1:3–9

L A reading from 1 Corinthians, chapter 1.

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

READING

Mark 13:24-37

L A reading from Mark, chapter 13.

²⁴Jesus said: "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And 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.

²⁸"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. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²"But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It 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. ³⁵Therefore 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— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

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- Thanks be to God.

LSB 221

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

(Sit)

CHILDREN'S TALK

HYMN 331 THE ADVENT OF OUR KING

SERMON "The King Shall Come"

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(Stand)

TE DEUM

LSB 223

We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord. All the earth now worships You, the Father everlasting. To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.

To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:

Holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.

The noble army of martyrs praise You.

The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:

The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and only Son;

also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

You are the king of glory, O Christ; You are the everlasting Son of the Father.

When You took upon Yourself to deliver man, You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin. When You had overcome the sharpness of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that You will come to be our judge.

We therefore pray You to help Your servants, whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify You. And we worship Your name forever and ever.

Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

- O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
- O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

(Sit)

OFFERING

+ PRAYER +

(Stand)

KYRIE LSB 227

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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.

INTRODUCTION TO COLLECTS J

LSB 227

- L O Lord, hear my prayer.
- And let my cry come to You.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

ADDITIONAL COLLECTS, AMEN TO EACH

COLLECT FOR GRACE

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICAMUS J

LSB 228

- Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

LSB 228

C Amen.

(Sit)

HYMN 348 THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS

- The King shall come when morning dawns And light triumphant breaks, When beauty gilds the eastern hills And life to joy awakes.
- 2 Not as of old a little child, To bear and fight and die, But crowned with glory like the sun That lights the morning sky.
- 3 Oh, brighter than the rising morn When Christ, victorious, rose And left the lonesome place of death Despite the rage of foes.
- Oh, brighter than that glorious morn
 Shall dawn upon our race
 The day when Christ in splendor comes
 And we shall see His face.
- The King shall come when morning dawns
 And light and beauty brings.

 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
 Come quickly, King of kings!

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