

First Sunday in Advent
Saturday, November 26, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 27, 2022 – 8:00 a.m.



Welcome!

To our guests and visitors:

We are glad that you are here with us today!

If you have no church home, why don't you consider joining us? Please speak to Pastor Parrish after the service and enjoy a special gift for visiting with us today!

- 1 The advent of our King
 Our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing
 In strains of holy joy.
- 2 The everlasting Son
 Incarnate deigns to be,
Himself a servant's form puts on
 To set His servants free.
- 3 O Zion's daughter, rise
 To meet your lowly King,
Nor let your faithless heart despise
 The peace He comes to bring.
- 4 As judge, on clouds of light,
 He soon will come again
And His true members all unite
 With Him in heav'n to reign.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Jesus is the Son of *David*.

People: **Our coming King!**

Pastor: Jesus is the Son of *Abraham*.

People: **Our sacrifice for sin!**

Pastor: Jesus is the Son of *Solomon*.

People: **He finished for us!**

Pastor: Jesus is the Son of *Mary*.
People: **Immanuel—God with us!**

Pastor: Jesus is the Son of *Sinners*.
People: **He forever loves us!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
People: **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.**

Pastor: 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.
People: **Amen**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: 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.
People: **Amen.**

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. Amen

The Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: “Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,” declares the LORD. ³“I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the LORD.

⁵“The days are coming,” declares the LORD,
 “when I will raise up for David^[a] a righteous Branch,
a King who will reign wisely
 and do what is just and right in the land.

⁶In his days Judah will be saved
 and Israel will live in safety.
This is the name by which he will be called:
 The LORD Our Righteous Savior.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Epistle Reading

Romans 1:1-6

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures³ regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life^[a] was a descendant of David,⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power^[b] by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from^[c] faith for his name's sake.⁶ And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 1:1-17

This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham:

² Abraham was the father of Isaac,

Isaac the father of Jacob,

Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,

³ Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar,

Perez the father of Hezron,

Hezron the father of Ram,

⁴ Ram the father of Amminadab,

Amminadab the father of Nahshon,

Nahshon the father of Salmon,

⁵ Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab,

Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth,

Obed the father of Jesse,

⁶ and Jesse the father of King David.

David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife,

⁷ Solomon the father of Rehoboam,

Rehoboam the father of Abijah,

Abijah the father of Asa,

⁸ Asa the father of Jehoshaphat,

Jehoshaphat the father of Jehoram,
Jehoram the father of Uzziah,
⁹ Uzziah the father of Jotham,
Jotham the father of Ahaz,
Ahaz the father of Hezekiah,
¹⁰ Hezekiah the father of Manasseh,
Manasseh the father of Amon,
Amon the father of Josiah,
¹¹ and Josiah the father of Jeconiah^[c] and his brothers at the time of the exile to
Babylon.

¹² After the exile to Babylon:

Jeconiah was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel,
¹³ Zerubbabel the father of Abihud, Abihud the father of Eliakim,
Eliakim the father of Azor, ¹⁴ Azor the father of Zadok,
Zadok the father of Akim, Akim the father of Elihud,
¹⁵ Elihud the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan,
Matthan the father of Jacob, ¹⁶ and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of
Mary, and Mary was the mother of Jesus who is called the Messiah.

¹⁷ Thus there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from
David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Messiah.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **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.

- 1 Prepare the royal highway;
 The King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley
 A level road appear!
Then greet the King of Glory
Foretold in sacred story:
- ref** Hosanna to the Lord,
 For He fulfills God's Word!
- 2 God's people, see Him coming:
 Your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before Him!
 Spread garments! Shout and sing!
God's promise will not fail you!
No more shall doubt assail you! **Refrain**
- 3 Then fling the gates wide open
 To greet your promised king!
Your king, yet ev'ry nation
 Its tribute too should bring.
All lands, bow down before Him!
All nations, now adore Him! **Refrain**
- 4 His is no earthly kingdom;
 It comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom
 And justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding
For kindness so abounding: **Refrain**

Sermon Who Is Jesus? Jesus Is The Son of David Matthew 1:1, 6, 17

The Offering

Prayer of Blessing

Pastor: God, all that we have is yours. All that we will become is in your hands. Accept and bless these offerings that they might be joined to the work of your kingdom. Allow these gifts to be used to bring peace to those who are powerless and hope to those who are caught in the grip of despair. Make us your faithful stewards of all that you have created.

People: Amen!

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We pray for the Church, the community of God's forgiven people, asking that God's messengers continue to speak with power among us and that the Word may come to us today with its message of forgiveness and peace.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: We pray this day for the fellowship of faith and love that we enjoy as God's holy people, asking that we be enabled to gather for worship throughout the new Church Year with great joy and full anticipation of the blessings of God that come to us in this place.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: We pray for those who serve in leadership positions in our national Synod, our district, and our local congregation, that God work among us through their example and witness, that we be of support and encouragement to them, and that together we grow in devotion and dedication in Jesus' name.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: As a household of faith, we make our petitions for the sick, the shut-in, and all who this day need our prayers, [*especially . . .*], that their prayers be answered and that they be supported by God's people as they experience His good and gracious will for their lives.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: We pray for those for whom the season of Advent and Christmas is sad or challenging in some way. Help us to reach out to them with compassion, keeping our focus always on the wonderful action of God on our behalf through the coming of Jesus, the promised Messiah.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: We remember before You those many faithful Christians who have been part of our lives and our fellowship in times past, especially those who have departed this life and now are rejoicing in the glory of Your promised heavenly kingdom. Direct our ways on earth as we complete this life in faith, that we may rejoice with them eternally together with all the saints and angels.

People: For you are the King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

C 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

The Words of Our Lord

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn Come Thou Precious Ransom Come

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1 Come, Thou precious Ransom, come,
Only hope for sinful mortals!
Come, O Savior of the world!
Open are to Thee all portals.
Come, Thy beauty let us see;
Anxiously we wait for Thee.

2 Enter now my waiting heart,
Glorious King and Lord most holy.
Dwell in me and ne'er depart,
Though I am but poor and lowly.
Ah, what riches will be mine
When Thou art my guest divine!

3 My hosannas and my palms
Graciously receive, I pray Thee;
Evermore, as best I can,
Savior, I will homage pay Thee,
And in faith I will embrace,
Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.

4 Hail! Hosanna, David's Son!
Jesus, hear our supplication!
Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown,
Bring us blessing and salvation,
That forever we may sing:
Hail! Hosanna to our King.

Post-Communion Collect

Pastor: Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You sent Your Son make peace by the blood of His cross. As we have feasted upon His body and blood for our forgiveness and peace, strengthen us to live lives of peace here on earth; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Because Jesus says, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

People: We will go and make disciples of all nations—

Pastor: Baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: And teaching them to obey everything he has commanded us.

Pastor: And surely Christ is with us always—

People: To the very end of the age!

- 1 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.

- 4 Oh, brighter than that glorious morn
 Shall dawn upon our race
 The day when Christ in splendor comes
 And we shall see His face.

- 5 The King shall come when morning dawns
 And light and beauty brings.
 Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
 Come quickly, King of kings!