



AND THE  
*Peace*

OF GOD, WHICH SURPASSES ALL  
UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD  
YOUR HEARTS AND YOUR MINDS  
IN CHRIST JESUS.

Philippians 4:7

**KING OF KINGS  
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# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## The Third Sunday in Advent

December 16, 2018 - 8:30 AM

### PRESERVICE MUSIC

### PASTOR'S WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN

*"Hark the Glad Sound"*

LSB 349 Vs. 1-4

### THE INVOCATION

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

C: **Amen.**

### THE ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING LITANY

P: "Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.

C: **Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.**" [Psa 100:2, 4]

P: "Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C: **Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.**" [Psa 24:7-10]

**All** *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold the King of glory waits.*

**Sing:** *The King of kings is drawing near; The Savior of the world is here.  
Life and salvation He doth bring; Therefore rejoice and gladly sing.  
To God the Father raise your joyful songs of praise.*

P: Today we light three Advent candles: the first for faithful waiting, the second to announce the coming of the Savior.

C: **We light the third candle for sending and receiving the Good News of the Savior, Jesus, the Prince of Peace.**

P: Let us pray:

C: **Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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)

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: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"*

LSB 849 Vs. 3

## **READINGS**

**The First Lesson**

**Zephaniah 3:14-20**

Pew Bible, page 1466

**The Second Lesson**

**Philippians 4:4-7**

Pew Bible, page 1830

**The Gospel Lesson**

**Luke 7:18-28**

Pew Bible, page 1603

P: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"Once He Came in Blessing"*

LSB 333 Vs. 1-4

## **MESSAGE**

Pastor Paul Birner

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

## **OFFERING**

## **OFFERING HYMN**

*"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"*

LSB 955

## **PRAYERS AND SPECIAL PETITIONS**

**Baptismal Anniversaries:** Victoria Bennet – Dec. 16, Marla Trent – Dec. 22

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **BLESSING**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

*"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers"*

LSB 515 Vs. 1&4

# Welcome to King of Kings Lutheran Church !

The King of Kings family confesses that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who came into the world to pay for our sin and to give us eternal life. We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, the source of our beliefs, and a guide for living. We want to help people of all ages grow in grace and knowledge of Christ, gather them to Jesus and to one another, and serve God by serving one another and God's World

Would you like to keep up with activities or find out more about what we believe, teach, and confess?

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## OUR WEEKLY WORSHIP

We offer a variety of worship styles so that you may worship in a meaningful way.

**8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship-** A variety of worship formats using both traditional and modern liturgies. Holy Communion is celebrated the second, fourth and fifth Sundays of each month.

**9:45 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES.**

**11:00 a.m. PRAISE ALIVE!** - A worship experience using contemporary praise and worship music led by singers and instrumentalists. Holy Communion is celebrated the first, third, and fifth Sundays of each month.

**1:00 p.m. 2nd and 4th Sundays Nuer Language service** - This is a worship service spoken in both Nuer and English, with traditional African worship music.

*The flowers this Sunday are given to the glory of God  
By Thomas and Jennifer Youn in celebration of the birth of our Savior.*

If your worship is more comfortable while seated, you are welcome to do so.  
Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.