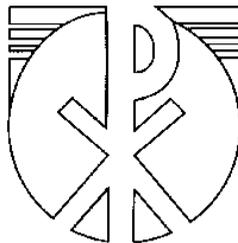


Mid Week Advent 2
December 13, 2017

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P The Second Article

Redemption

C [I believe] in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

P The Names *Jesus* and *Christ*

P 114. Of whom does this article speak?

C It speaks about Jesus Christ—His person and His work.

P 115. Why is He named *Jesus*?

C The name *Jesus* means “the Lord saves.” Jesus is His personal name. **Matthew 1:21** She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.

P 116. Why is He called *Christ*?

C The title *Christ* (Greek) or *Messiah* (Hebrew) means “the Anointed.” Jesus has been anointed with the Holy Spirit without limit to be our Prophet, Priest, and King. Anointing was the way prophets, priests, and kings were set apart for special work.

C Psalm 45:7 God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.

P 118. Who is *Jesus Christ*?

C Jesus Christ is “true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary.”

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The Old Testament Lessons

Numbers 24:17

I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near: a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel; it shall crush the forehead of Moab and break down all the sons of Sheth.

Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. [3] You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, ... [6] For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. [7] Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

New Testament Lesson

Revelation 22:16

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, **the bright morning star.**"

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-6

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, [2] saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." [3] When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; [4] and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. [5] They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: [6] " 'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.' "