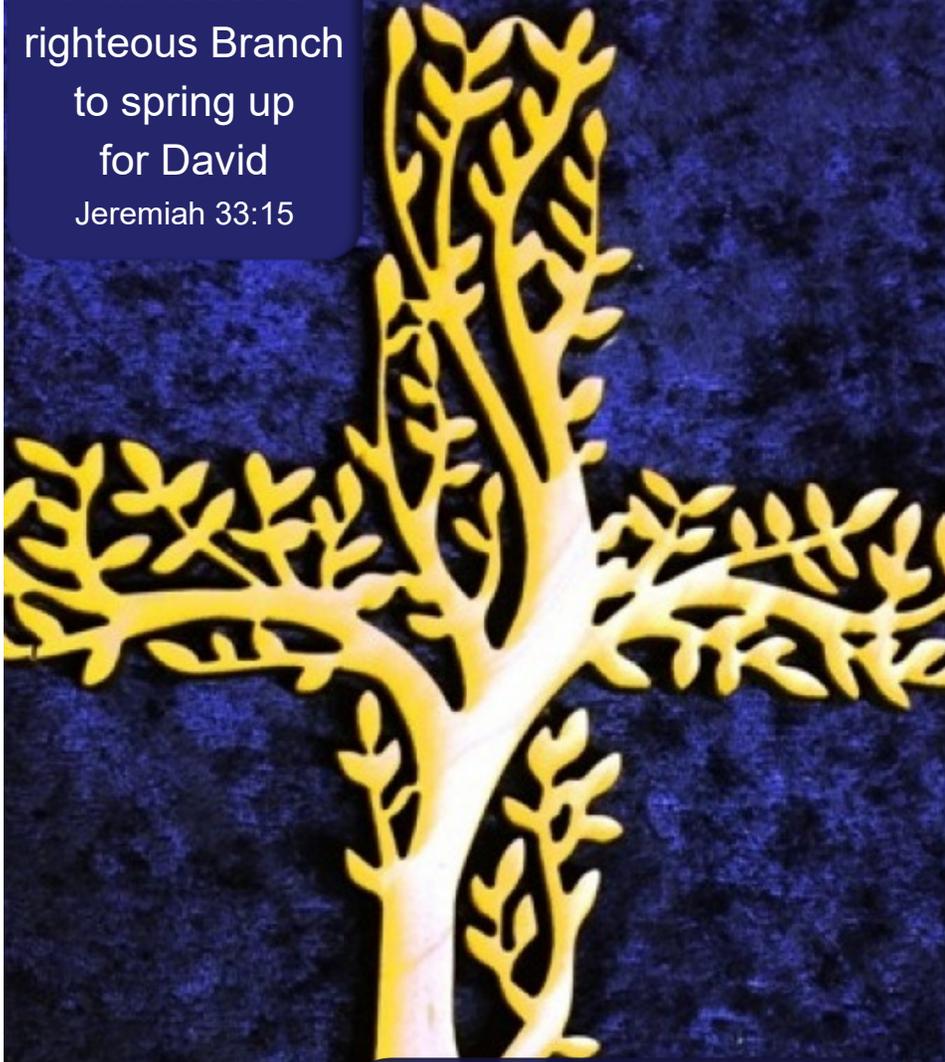


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Jeremiah 33:15



November 28, 2021
1st Sunday in Advent

8:00 am Service

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Welcome to Worship / Announcements

Opening Song

First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual**Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
From the house of the Lord we bless you.

Epistle Reading**1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

⁹What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia & Verse

**C: Alleluia Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to
St. Mark , the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

²⁵[Jesus said:] “There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: 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

You may be seated

Sermon Song
Sermon

“Some Days Are
More Important Than Others”
Jeremiah 33:14-16

Notes

Offering

Confession and Forgiveness

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: 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.

C. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Words of Our Lord

P: 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.”

The Lord's Prayer

Matt 6:9-13

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.

Passing of the Peace

Distribution

Post-Communion Blessing

Benediction

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
May the Lord look upon you with favor
and ☩ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Song

May the Lord be with you
on your homeward way

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML Sock Drive

Until December 19th, LWML will be collecting socks and underwear for the homeless vets. Drop off box in the welcome center. "They gave so much for us, let's give back a small thank you!"

Advent Schedule

Midweek (Wed) Advent Meal/Worship

Light meal - 6:00 pm / Worship - 7:00 pm

Dec 1

Dec 8

Dec 15 - Children's Worship Service

Dec 19 (Sun) - Happy Birthday Jesus Party
during Sunday School

Dec 24 (Fri) - 5:00 pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship
w/ communion

Adult Sunday School

We are in need of leaders for a 2nd Adult class. See Pastor Elam.

Food Bank Volunteers

Interested in being part of helping feed 1/3 of Alabama's feed insecure? Come be part of our crew helping to organize food at the Montgomery Area Food Bank. Volunteer applications are in the Narthex and Welcome Center. See Mike Nisbet or Pastor Elam.

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