

PROPERS FOR THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

ADVENT ANTIPHON (Morning Prayer)

L Behold, the Lord comes to save us.

C O come, let us worship Him.

INTROIT/PSALM *Ps. 146:5-8; antiphon: Philippians 4:4*



Rejoice in the Lord | always;*

again I will say, | Rejoice.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,*

whose hope is in the | LORD his God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is | in them,*

who keeps faith for- | ever;

who executes justice for | the oppressed,*

who gives food to the | hungry.

**The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes | of the
blind.***

**The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the |
righteous.**

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*

again I will say, | Rejoice.

GRADUAL *Zech. 9:9; Ps. 118:26, alt.*



Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion.*

Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.

Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*

righteous and having sal- | vation.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord.*

From the house of the Lord we | bless you.

Gaudete Translation

Refrain:

*Gaudete, Gaudete!
Christus est natus
Ex maria virgine,
Gaudete!*

Tempus ad est gratiae,
Hoc quod optabamus;
Carmina laetitiae,
Devote redamus. *Refrain*

Deus homo factus est,
Natura mirante;
Mundus renovatus est
A Christo regnante. *Refrain*

Ezechiellis porta
Clausa pertransitur;
Unde lux est orta
Salus invenitur. *Refrain*

Ergo nostra cantio,
Psallat iam in lustris;
Benedicat Domino:
Salus Regi nostro. *Refrain*

Refrain:

*Rejoice, Rejoice!
Christ is born
Of the virgin Mary,
Rejoice!*

It is now the time of grace
That we have desired;
Let us sing songs of joy,
Let us give devotion. *Refrain*

God was made man,
And nature marvels;
The world was renewed
By Christ who is King. *Refrain*

The closed gate of Ezekiel
Has been passed through;
From where the light rises
Salvation is found. *Refrain*

Therefore let our assembly now sing,
Sing the Psalms to purify us;
Let it praise the Lord:
Greetings to our King. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends:

P "Lord, in Your mercy,"

C "hear our prayer."

NOTES FOR WORSHIP

OFFERING

As the offerings are collected, the "Record of Fellowship" may be filled out and passed down the pew. When it reaches the end of the pew, please pass it back. As the offerings are brought forward, all stand to sing the Doxology (LSB #805).

SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Visitors are kindly asked to read the communion statement on the next page.

HOLY COMMUNION AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Confessing the Word of the Lord in love for all who worship here, and acknowledging the biblical truth that unity with Christ at His altar in Holy Communion embodies Christ's gift of unity in faith and practice, we welcome to the Lord's Supper all who are communicant members in good standing of an LCMS congregation. Communicants are asked to register their participation in the "Record of Fellowship," noting their home LCMS congregation if other than St. John, Bingen. If you have any questions about our communion practice, or the Lutheran faith in general, please speak with our pastor after the service.

St. John Weekly News + December 16, 2018

On Sunday, December 9th, the Lord of life blessed our sister in Christ, Shirley Braun, with a holy death at the age of 70 years, 4 months, and 26 days. The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord. We give thanks to God our Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for our sister Shirley.

On Sunday, December 9th, the Lord of life blessed our brother in Christ, Bill Counterman, with a holy death at the age of 92 years, 4 months, and 6 days. The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord. We give thanks to God our Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for our brother Bill.

On Saturday, December 15th, the Lord of life blessed our brother in Christ, Gerald Fuhrmann, with a holy death at the age of 92 years, 11 months, and 23 days. The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord. We give thanks to God our Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for our brother Gerald.

Handout Available - After both services today, Kevin Selking, chairman of the Board of Elders, will distribute information concerning the Youth and Family Life Director Position. This important topic will be on the agenda at January's Voters' Meeting. The first page of the informational handout summarizes the discussion had by Friedheim, Preble, and Bingen congregational leaders as well as the discussion and recommendation of a steering committee established by the same (see October 30, 2018 Voters' Meeting Minutes). This recommendation has been received by the three congregations for their review. The second and third pages include the **previous** "Director of Youth and Family Life Association Agreement and Job Description." Please note, **the information on the second and third pages will be reviewed and possibly revised if the three congregations decide to continue the position.**

Sewing Cancer Pads- There will be no gathering this week. Next sewing date is January 15th. See you in the New Year! ☺

Middle and High School Youth

Today! 12noon-4 p.m. – Crafts and Caroling

We will gather in Bingen Parsonage 1 for lunch and assemble Christmas crafts before traveling to a couple of nursing homes for caroling and distributing the Christmas crafts.

Cookbooks for Sale– These are available for purchase between services today. Cost: \$10 each or 2 for \$15. A great gift-giving idea!

Advent Midweek III - Songs of Christmas “*The Gloria in Excelsis*” (The Song of the Angels) Wednesday, December 19th, Hymn Sing begins at 6:45 p.m. followed by Evening Prayer at 7 p.m.

Recognizing the past graduates of Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School ***This week is the Class of 1986:***

Stacey Bixler, Erik Blomenberg, Jennifer Bradtmueller, Michelle Buuck, Cassie Conrad, Seth Croucher, Kim Ewell, Beth Fuhrman, Meg Gallmeyer, Scott Gehres, Scott Hartman, Royce Huffman, Alan Keuneke, Delin Kleine, Ryan Linnemeier, Todd McBride, Matthew Melcher, Michael Peters, Shane Rekeweg, Todd Scheumann, Christina Schuller, Tonya Townsend, William Zwick

Wyneken’s 50th Anniversary Gala and Silent Auction –

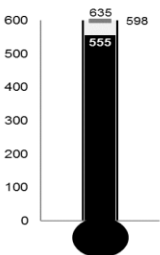
Saturday, March 2nd @ 6 p.m. Contact May Holt for tickets. (760) 696-0095

+ STEWARDSHIP CORNER +

Bulletin Bloopers ☺ Women’s Luncheon: Each member bring a sandwich. Polly Phillips will give the medication.

Phil. 4:5b-6 – “**The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.**” Wouldn’t you like to be free from worry and anxiety? Isn’t it worry and anxiety that often keep us from living the generous life God has called us to? St. Paul contrasts anxiety with prayer, supplication, and thanksgiving in making our requests known to God. In other words, when you are tempted to anxiety and worry, pray to the Lord with a thankful heart and pour out your supplications before Him.

■ 2018 Est. Expenses
■ YTD Total Receipts
— YTD Budget (Est.)



Offerings Received at 12/10/18	\$13,000
Total Offerings Received through 12/10/18	\$555,319
Total 2018 Year-end Estimated Expenses	\$635,000
Offerings Required to meet 2018 Year-end Estimated Expenses	\$79,681