

Second Sunday in Advent

December 3/4, A.+D. 2022



Welcome to Saint Paul Lutheran Church.

As a member congregation of The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, we are committed to the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you are visiting with us this weekend, please sign our Record of Fellowship in each pew.

Serving this Week at St. Paul Lutheran Church:

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†About Communion at St. Paul: †

The Lord's Table is open to all members of The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod. Oneness at Communion pre-supposes oneness in doctrine. However, if you would like to come forward to receive a blessing, please keep your hands folded and step up to the Pastor. Thank you for respecting our teachings. If you would like to learn more about communion at St. Paul, feel free to make an appointment with Pastor Hartman.

Members and Visitors, please sign the Record of Fellowship which is located at the end of the pew. If you would like to receive Christ's blood in either an individual cup or the common cup, please mark the appropriate box. – Thank you.

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347 “*Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*”

Opening Hymn

Invocation

Exhortation

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Confession of Sins

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Absolution

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✠ **Service of the Word** ✠

Introit

Psalm 105:4–8; antiphon: Isaiah 40:3b

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

O offspring of Abraham, his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He is the LORD our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.

He remembers his covenant forever,
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Gloria Patri

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Kyrie

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1–10

- ¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
- ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
- ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
- ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.
- ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat,
and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together;
and a little child shall lead them.
- ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze;
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
- ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra,
and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.
- ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy
in all my holy mountain;

for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Epistle

Romans 15:4–13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,
and sing to your name.”

¹⁰And again it is said,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”

¹¹And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples extol him.”

¹²And again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse will come,
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;
in him will the Gentiles hope.”

¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Alleluia

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1–12

¹In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Apostles’ Creed

344 “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

Offertory

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Offering – The offering plate is available at the church entrance and near the altar, or electronically with the Q.R. code. Thank you.



Prayer of the Church

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

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Proper Preface

Sanctus

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Lord’s Prayer

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The Words of Our Lord

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Pax Domini

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Agnus Dei

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Distribution Hymns

345 “Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding”

738 “Lord of All Hopefulness”

343 “Prepare the Royal Highway”

The Dismissal

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Nunc Dimittis

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Thanksgiving

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Post-Communion Collect

Salutation

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Benedicamus

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Benediction

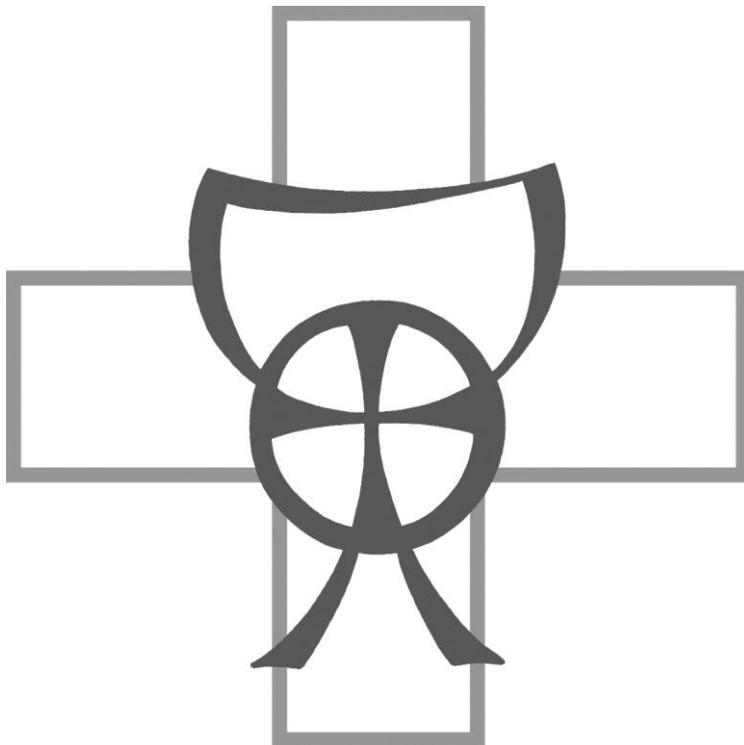
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837 “Lift High the Cross”

Closing Hymn

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **The Mission of the Month for December:** Direct Support to the Rev. Dr. Quintin Cundiff teaching at the seminary in Riga Latvia. There is more information about the mission of the month in your December newsletter.
- ❖ **December Newsletters and 2023 contribution envelopes** are now in your mailboxes. Please remember that if you are a confirmed member of St. Paul, you have a mailbox.
- ❖ **Wednesday Morning Bible Class** will resume Jan. 11, 2023. Thank you.
- ❖ **Please remember Commodities for Christ.** This could be anything: livestock, rental income, grain, commission, bonuses, any type of income can be used to give an offering to the church.
- ❖ **Kim would like to thank everyone who stayed and helped decorate the church after worship last Sunday. It is greatly appreciated.**
- ❖ **SAVE THE DATE:** Parsonage Christmas Open House is Wednesday, December 28th from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm. All are invited.
- ❖ **S.P.Y. Bowling**, Sunday, December 18th, 5:00pm at Wisner Lanes.
- ❖ **Treasurer position available**, please send your resume to Pastor Hartman by December 4th. Thank you.
- ❖ **St. Paul Delivers Meals on Wheels** the week of December 26th, please sign up on the narthex counter. Thank you.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OUR LORD

Sunday, December 4, A.+D. 2022 – Sunday December 11, A.+D. 2022

12/04 Sun	9:15 AM	Education Hour
	10:30 AM	Divine Service
12/07 Wed	No Class	No Morning Bible Class, next class 01/11/23
	4:00 PM	Midweek – Bible Time
	6:00 PM	Advent Service
12/09 Fri	2:00-4:00	Orphan Grain Train Workday
12/10 Sat	6:00 PM	Divine Service
12/11 Sun	No Class	No Adult Bible Class
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Children’s Christmas Service

Prayer Requests:

*Noah Schultz; Joleen Anderson; Carol Brahmer; Rose Kindschuh;
Mike Kuzelka; Alan Borgelt; Linda Mellick, Michelle Moeller’s mom;
People of Ukraine, residents of all nursing facilities;
and for God to send rain upon the land.*

Usher and Elder List for Next Week:

Acolyte:

Wednesday, December 7th: Dylann Ott

Sunday, December 11th: Angels

Ushers:

Wednesday, December 7th: Greg Moeller and Jeremiah Schantz

Saturday, December 10th: Roger Hass and Tim Schweers

Sunday, December 11th: Tim Schultz and Aric Butterfield

Elders:

Saturday, December 10th: Jeff Greve

Sunday, December 11th: Heath Cornett

Scripture Readings for the Third Sunday in Advent:

Isaiah 35; James 5:7-11; Matthew 11:2-15.

The Lord bless your reading of His Word.



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