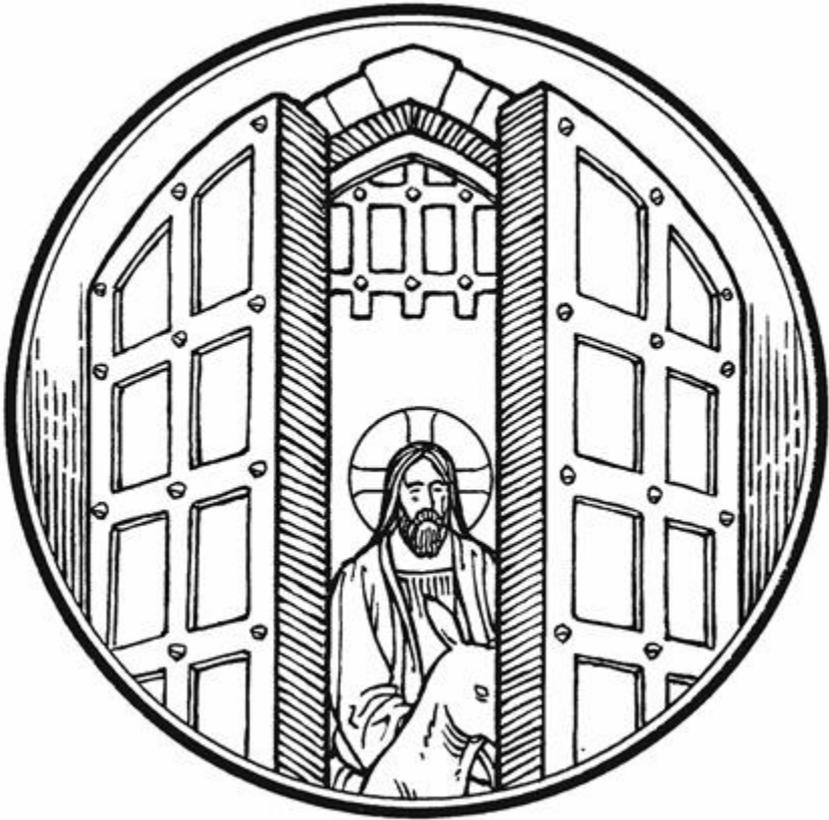


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First Sunday in Advent

Ad Te Levavi

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Divine Service III

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew.
Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pastor Roemke

Elder: Scott Tobalsky

Ushers: Brent Jiter & Noah Jiter

Greeter: Mary Rusch

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Tamara Weathersby & Kate Tobalsky

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Don & Cheryl Moe to the glory of God.

Cookies: Today's cookies and juice are provided by Jennifer Bertz.

The Advent of Our King

LSB 331

Invocation

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 25:4–5, 21–22; antiphon: Ps. 25:1–3a



To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.*
 O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.
 Let not my enemies exult | over me.*
 Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.
Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.
 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal-
 | vation;*
 for you I wait all the | day long.
May integrity and uprightness pre- | serve me,*
for I | wait for you.
 Redeem Israel, | O God,*
 out of all his | troubles.

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.

To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.*
 O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.
 Let not my enemies exult | over me.*
 Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.

Kyrie

Sung three times.

LSB 943



Ky-ri - e, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:5–8

⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

⁷“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ ⁸but ‘As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 25:3–4



None who wait for you shall be | put to shame;*
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.

Epistle

Romans 13:8–14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:1–9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ “Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them.

⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



P Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Prayer of the Church

+RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER BY TRANSFER+

Linda Polcin

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

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+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Andy Warren, Evan Smith, Austin Nehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, Richard Cleereman, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Carol Vescova, Carol Hernandez, Jason Stephans, Mike Ricchio (nephew of Kathy Shafer), Gerald (Sandra Babel's brother), Betty Nemeth (Mary Jo Jiter's sister), Marcia (friend of Geri Tobalsky), Gloria Pipkorn (hospitalized after a fall), and Chuck Brothers (recovering from heart attack).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 27, 2016+

- ✘ The shield for the season of Advent is on a deep violet field, violet being the color of royalty-signifying Christ's Messianic and eternal kingdom, as well as the color of penitence-reminding us how we ought to prepare ourselves to receive our coming King. In the center of the shield is a golden Star of David with the Holy Name of God, first revealed to Moses at the burning bush. This teaches us that Christ, who comes to us humbly in our own flesh and blood, is of one substance with the Father, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God. He is the fulfillment of all the Old Testament prophesy, and the eternal heir promised from the line of King David. At the bottom of the shield is a stump, from which is growing a new and tender shoot. On this shoot are 12 leaves, teaching us that Jesus is all of the tribes of Israel condensed into One, who would bear the sins of all of them, and reminding us of the 12 Apostles, to whose teaching we are devoted. Jesus is the shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. (Isaiah 11:1). He is the Vine which God has established in His eternal vineyard and we are the branches, grafted on by faith.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** Today is the last day to sign up for poinsettias. Please turn in your payment today as well.
- ✘ **HANGING OF THE GREENS** will be after the service today.

- ⊗ **ADVENT EVENING PRAYER MIDWEEK SERVICES** begin this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. We will have a potluck meal before the service starting at 5:30. Each week has a different theme. This week's theme is Italian. Please sign up on the sheets in the hallway.
- ⊗ **JOINT YOUTH EVENT:** The congregations in the Racine and Kenosha circuits are taking turns hosting fun youth events about once per month. These events are open to 5th through 12th graders from all congregations. Messiah will be hosting an event on Friday, December 9th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm. We will be eating snacks, drinking soda, and watching a movie. The movie is The Incredibles which is rated PG. If you would like more details, please see Pastor Grenyo.
- ⊗ **ST. NICHOLAS FESTIVAL:** This year's St. Nicholas Festival will be held Saturday, December 10th.
- ⊗ **VOTERS' MEETING:** Our annual voters' meeting to approve next year's budget will be held Sunday, December 11th immediately following the service. Please attend if you can.
- ⊗ **NEW DOOR FUND:** New doors are ordered for the main entrance and educational wing and will be installed by Christmas, weather permitting. Five other new doors are needed. Total cost could be up to \$30,000. If you can contribute to "New Door Fund" it will be much appreciated.
- ⊗ **CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE NEEDY:** Messiah members have a great tradition of providing Christmas gifts for families in need. We will have more details soon on how you can help. We will provide tags for people to choose, which list names of recipients, sizes and suggested gift ideas. Questions? Contact Kris Kochman or Diane Kentala.
- ⊗ **AMAZON SMILE:** If you are planning to do any Christmas shopping on Amazon this year, be sure to sign up for Amazon Smile and a percentage of all your purchases will go to Messiah. Complete instructions can be found at the bottom of our email newsletters. Please see Lesa if you need help getting started or have questions about Amazon Smile.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 11/20-11/26:	\$4,968
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+1,384
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+12,251

ATTENDANCE 11/20: 153

Communed: 125

BIRTHDAYS

11/28 Liam Pelas

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

11/29 Artyom & Sergei Varvil