

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Second Sunday in Advent**  
**Populus Zion**

**December 8, 2019**

**Divine Service III**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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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.**

**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** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Greeter:** Vicky Nelson

**Elder:** Tyler Nehls

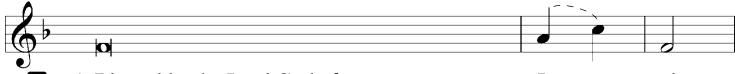
**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Ushers:** Scott Tobalsky, Matthew Grenyo, & Sam Braya

**Altar Guild:** Kate Tobalsky, Diana Dissen, & Jane Gundlach



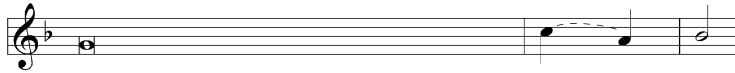
# Benedictus



1 Blessed be the Lord God of . . . . . Is - ra - el;  
 2 as He spoke by the mouth of His holy . . . . . proph - ets,  
 3 to perform the mercy promised to our . . . . . fa - thers  
 4 being delivered from the hand of our . . . . . en - e - mies,  
 5 And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most - High;  
 6 through the tender mercy . . . . . of our God;  
 7 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son



1 for He has visited and re - deemed His peo - ple  
 2 who have . . . . . been since the world be - gan:  
 3 and to remember . . . . . His ho - ly cov - e - nant,  
 4 might . . . . . serve Him with - out fear,  
 5 for you will go before the Lord to pre - pare His ways;  
 6 when the day shall dawn up - on us from on high  
 7 and to . . . . . the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 and has raised up a horn of salvation . . . . . for us  
 2 that we should be saved from our . . . . . en - e - mies  
 3 the oath that He swore to our father. . . . . A - bra - ham,  
 4 in holiness and righteousness be - fore Him  
 5 to give knowledge of salvation to His . . . . . peo - ple  
 6 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
 7 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 in the house of His . . . . . ser - vant Da - vid,  
 2 and from the hand of . . . . . all who hate us;  
 3 to . . . . . grant us that we,  
 4 all the . . . . . days of our life,  
 5 in the for - give - ness of their sins,  
 6 to guide our feet in - to the way of peace.  
 7 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

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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.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 4:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you



*Stand*

## **Alleluia and Verse**

*Luke 21:26–27*



**Alle- | luia.\***

**Alle- | luia.**

**The powers of | heaven\*  
will be | shaken.**

**Then they will see the Son of Man coming | in a cloud\*  
with power and great glory. Alle- | luia.**

## **Holy Gospel**

*Luke 21:25–36*

<sup>25</sup>[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, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

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

<sup>34</sup>“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. <sup>35</sup>For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>But 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.”

## **Apostles' Creed**

*p192*

*Sit*

## ***Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending***

*LSB 336*

## **Sermon**

*Stand*

## **Offertory**

*p192*

*Sit*

## **Offering**

When Will The Little King Come

*MLC Choir*

*Stand*

## **Prayer of the Church**

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

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<i>O Lord, We Praise Thee</i>	<i>LSB 617</i>
<i>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</i>	<i>LSB 341</i>
<i>O Lord, How Shall I Meet You</i>	<i>LSB 334</i>
<i>O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide</i>	<i>LSB 355</i>
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**+VDMĀ+**

**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum  
**The Word of the Lord endures forever****

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Michael Shafer, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Kevin Boyd, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Thomas Kotenko (colleague of Jeff Zuehls), Mary Jens (Kathy Capriotti's sister), Vince Cozin (cousin of Jeff Vallis), Tina & Larry (friends of Sandra Babel), Henry Buehrens, Ken Krause (friend of Anita Brothers), Marcin Rosinski (friend of Bev Murakami), Ally Capriotti (Angela Pynaker's daughter-in-law), Sandra Babel, and our member on hospice: George Metallo.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 8, 2019+**

- ❖ **VOTERS' MEETING:** Our annual voters' meeting will be immediately following the Divine Service today.
- ❖ **ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue this Wednesday. We will have a potluck meal (Mexican) beginning at 5:45 pm. Evening Prayer begins at 6:30 pm. Meal sign-up sheets are in the hallway.
- ❖ **CHRISTMAS GIVING:** There are still two tags available. Return wrapped gifts, labeled with the recipient's name, by Sunday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **COOKIE SALE:** Please consider purchasing some cookies today. Proceeds benefit our Altar Guild.
- ❖ **HANDBELL CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** The Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble (MHE) will present its annual holiday concert at 7:00 pm on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, at Grace Lutheran Church in Racine. A freewill donation will be collected for the MHE.
- ❖ **CHRISTMAS GIFT CARD HOLDERS** now for sale on the card table. \$2 each includes envelope. Christmas cards will also be made and placed on the table throughout the month.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,330
Lord's Work Received 12/1-12/7:	5,903
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+1,573
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-757

**ATTENDANCE** 12/1: 140

Communed: 127

**+DECEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Wednesday	Dec. 11	5:45 pm	Advent Meal: Mexican
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Wednesday	Dec. 18	5:45 pm	Advent Meal: Soup & Salad
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Saturday	Dec. 21	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study
Tuesday	Dec. 24	6:00 pm	Service of Lessons & Carols
		11:00 pm	Midnight Divine Service
Wednesday	Dec. 25	9:00 am	Christmas Divine Service

**BIRTHDAYS**

12/8 Mark Varvil  
 12/9 Mike McConville  
 12/11 Gianna Sandberg  
 12/14 John Hernandez  
 Jude Nevius

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

12/11 Bill Kroll  
 Ava Sandberg  
 12/14 Bobby Sandberg