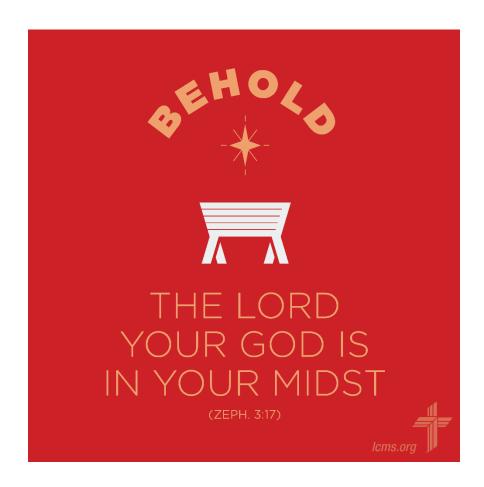
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Third Sunday in Advent

Divine Service, Setting One December 12, 2021



Regarding the Lord's Supper – Today as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion we will receive the body and blood of our Savior. We receive the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning Church fellowship (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 10:17; 1 Cor. 11:26; Rom. 16:17), we practice closed communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests desiring to receive the sacrament are encouraged to speak with the pastor.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

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- 1 Come, Thou long ex pect-ed Je-sus, Born to set Thy peo-ple free;
- 2 Born Thy peo ple to de liv er; Born a child and yet a king!



From our fears and sins re-lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



Is - rael's strength and con-so - la-tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art, By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



Dear de - sire of ev-'ry na-tion, Joy of ev-'ry long-ing heart. By Thine all-suf-fi-cient mer-it Raise us to Thy glo-rious throne.

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

Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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

Absolution [John 20:19–23]

- 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.
- Amen.

Introit

Ps. 146:5-8; antiphon: Phil. 4:4

- P 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 forever;
- 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.
- All 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.
- P Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Mark 10:47



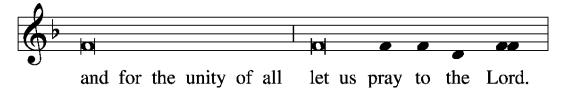


A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

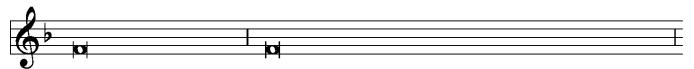




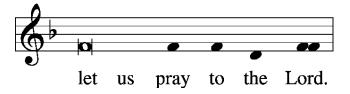
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



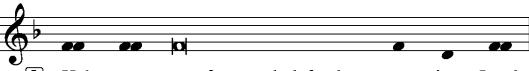




A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



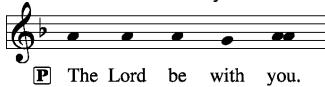




A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day





- P Let us pray.
- Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 3:14-20

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion;

shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,

O daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;

he has cleared away your enemies.

The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;

you shall never again fear evil.

¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

"Fear not, O Zion;

let not your hands grow weak.

¹⁷The LORD your God is in your midst,

a mighty one who will save;

he will rejoice over you with gladness;

he will quiet you by his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing.

¹⁸I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach.

¹⁹Behold, at that time I will deal

with all your oppressors.

And I will save the lame

and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

²⁰At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes," says the LORD.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle Philippians 4:4–7

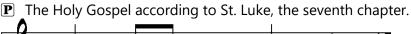
⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel Luke 7:18–28





¹⁸The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, ¹⁹calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" ²⁰And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'" ²¹In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. ²²And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the

dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. ²³And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."

²⁴When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings' courts. ²⁶What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷This is he of whom it is written,

"'Behold, I send my messenger before your face,

who will prepare your way before you.'

²⁸I tell you, among those born of women none is greater than John. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."



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Sermon

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Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, You rescue the daughter of Zion from her enemies and take away the judgments against her. Look with compassion upon Your people wherever they suffer for the name of Jesus. Give them wisdom when they are pressured to compromise, provide when they suffer loss, give courage when they are afraid, and strengthen them in the midst of persecution until You deliver them. Preserve them always in the joyful hope that You will restore all that is lost with what cannot be taken away. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, as You once sent messengers before the face of Jesus to prepare His way, so strengthen and encourage all pastors and church workers as they make known His saving name. Open the ears of all who hear to rejoice, repent and firmly believe. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Giver of all good gifts, look upon the households of Your people. Provide companionship for those who are alone, strengthen the bonds of marriage and equip parents to raise their children in love and faith. Grant that our homes may be places of joy, reasonableness, peace and prayer. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, You set the prisoners free. Remember those who are incarcerated justly, and grant that they might repent, be freed from the clutches of sin, accept the consequences of their wrongdoing, and learn to live honestly and peacefully. Remember all those who are imprisoned unjustly. Restore their freedom according to Your will, and preserve them in Your grace and the confidence that You know what is true and just. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, Your Son became flesh and healed the sick of all kinds of diseases and afflictions, demonstrating His power and giving us a foretaste of the resurrection on the Last Day. Have mercy upon all

those in need of deliverance [especially _______]. Heal them in Your time and according to Your will, and preserve them in the confidence that You will deliver Your people from all afflictions at the resurrection of all flesh. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

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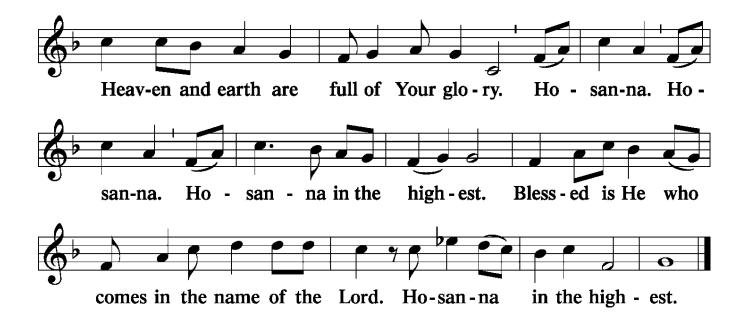




Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

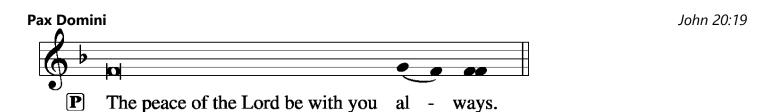
- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark*

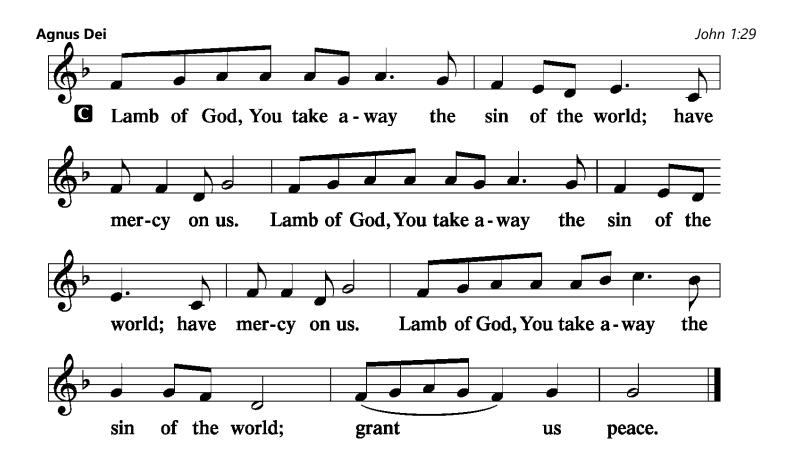
Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

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 Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."







Sit

Distribution



- 1 "Com fort, com fort ye My peo ple, Speak ye peace," thus
- God will par - don, 2 Yea, her sins our Blot ting out each voice is cry - ing 3 Hark. the her - ald's In the des - ert
- 4 Make ye straight what long was crook ed; Make the rough er



"Com - fort those who sit in dark-ness, saith our God; Mourn-ing dark mis-deed; that well de-served His an - ger All He no Call - ing sin - ners re - pen-tance, Since the and near. to plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be -



'neath their load. Speak ye Je - ru - sa - lem sor - rows' to will She more see or heed. hath suf - fered man - y a day, King - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o - bev! the Lord fits His ly reign. For glo - ry ho the of



that waits Of the for them; Tell that peace her her griefs Now her have passed God will change a - way; her Now pre - pare for God way; Let the val leys a Now o'er earth is shed a - broad, And all flesh shall



sins Ι cov - er And her war - fare now is pin - ing sad - ness In _ er - spring - ing glad - ness. _ to ev hills to meet Him And the bow down rise to greet Him. That the to - ken His Word is nev - er bro - ken. see

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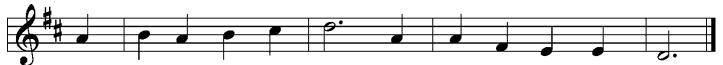
1 When all was cursed By Mo-ses' con-dem-na - tion, the world 2 Be - fore he yet was born, He leaped in joy - ful meet - ing, 3 Be - hold the Lamb of God That bears the world'strans-gres - sion, dear Lord of love, That we re-ceive, re-joic - ing, grant,



Saint John the With words of con - so - la - tion. Bap - tist came Con - fess - ing Him Lord Whose moth-er he was greet-ing. as Whose sac - ri - fice The dev-il's dread op-pres-sion. re - moves The word pro-claimed by John, Our true re - pen-tance voic - ing,



With true fore - run - ner's zeal The great - er One he named, Jor - dan's roll - ing new E - li - jah By stream. Α bold. Who takes a - way our hold the Lamb of Be -God. sin. Up - on our Sav-ior's glad - ly walk we may way



And Him, as pro - claimed. un - known, As Sav - ior he yet tes - ti - fied of Him Of whom the proph - ets He told: Who for our peace and joy Will full a - tone - ment win. Un - til live with Him His e - ter - nal we In day.

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- 1 Soul, dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the a 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
- 3 He who craves a pre-cious trea-sure Nei-ther
- 4 Now in faith I hum bly pon der O ver



gloom-y haunts of Come sad ness, in - to the day-light's lov - ing rev - 'rence greet words of life with Him. For im price-less gifts nor pain will But the of mea - sure; cost this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of is



There with prais - es splen - dor, joy your der. ren mor - tal He is knock - ing at your tal. por giv heav - en God has free - lv to us en. bound-less Though the souls it feeds are count less:



This the One whose grace un-bound - ed Bless a - maz - ing pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say ing, as you Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, could buy None the wine of heav - en With the choic - est Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found ed: He, though heav'n - ly, high, and a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that there Ι now re bod - y, gifts here of fered: Christ's for true you giv **1**S Oh. glo - rious us en. most con - so -



Deigns dwell with ho 1y, ly. to you most low -Ι nev - er - more will ceive You, That leave You. And His blood, for riv you once giv en. en. la tion, Pledge and seal of sal - va - tion! my

- Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
 Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
 Peace beyond all understanding,
 Joy into all life expanding:
 Humbly now, I bow before You;
 Love incarnate, I adore You;
 Worthily let me receive You
 And, so favored, never leave You.
- Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
 Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
 Jesus, joy of my desiring,
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
 At Your feet I cry, my maker,
 Let me be a fit partaker
 Of this blessèd food from heaven,
 For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish, To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness. By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
 Let me gladly here obey You.
 By Your love I am invited,
 Be Your love with love requited;
 By this Supper let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
 Through the gift of grace You give me
 As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Stand



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu

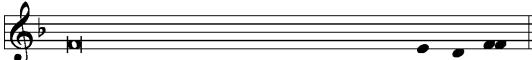
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction Numbers 6:24-26



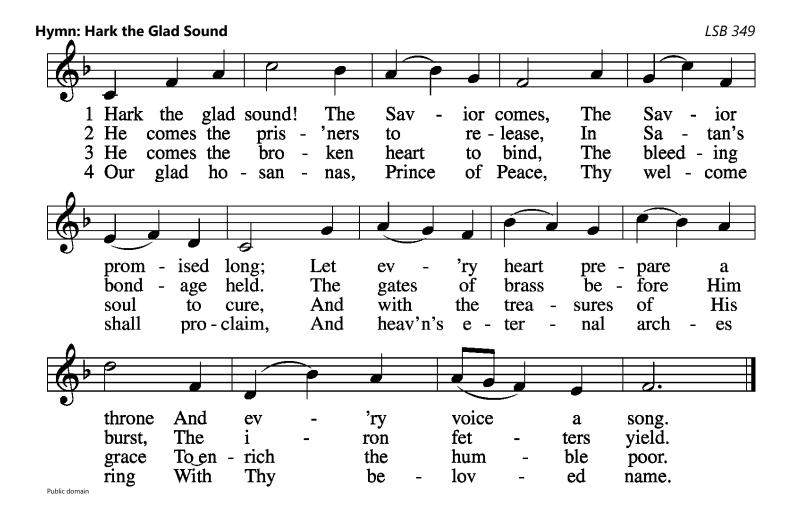
 $[\mathbf{P}]$ The Lord bless you and keep you.

> The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



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Postlude

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Announcements

<u>Advent Wednesday Services</u> – Our Wednesday evening Advent services will follow the theme "Behold!". Join us December 1, 8, and 15 at 7pm for the Word of God, evening prayer, hope for the darkness, and light to behold.

<u>Poinsettias</u> – If you would like to help beautify our sanctuary for Christmas, you can donate a poinsettia and then after the services, it's yours to keep! There is a sign-up sheet on the resource table in the back. The cost for the poinsettias will be \$8. <u>Today is the last day to sign-up for a poinsettia.</u>

Special Music for Christmas Services? If you might consider providing some special musical offering for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services, please talk to Pastor Yoakum as soon as possible. It's time to start planning.

Christmas Carol Sing at Sun Towers – Pastor Yoakum is planning a Carol Sing at the Sun Towers chapel

service on December 26th at 4pm. If only 4 or 5 people would like to come and help increase the joyful singing, it would make a great difference! Talk to Pastor Yoakum if you are interested.

How About Them Hymnals? – We haven't used our hymnals for 19 months! Now, that's going to change! In January, we will return to the "old and traditional" bulletins and using our hymnals. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please talk to Pastor Yoakum.

Memory Verse Challenge for this Week: Ephesians 5:1-2 – Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday: Micah 5:2-5a; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45.

Prayer List – Loretta; Marie; Kari; Peggy; Lois; Christine; Janine; Judy; Lisa; Dave; Jim; Barbara; Isabel; Roma; Ruth; Mireya; Cathy; Kathy; Marjorie; Darlene; Daliza; Barbara.

SACRED MUSIC FOR THE ADVENT SEASON ... "Savior of the Nations Come," "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending," "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry," "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." You can listen to your favorite Advent hymns 24/7 at Lutheranpublicradio.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Hear "Advent with the Apostles" on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), hear Advent midweek worship from Village Lutheran Ladue at 12:00 p.m. CT on 12/15, and continue studying the Gospel of Matthew on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Hear sacred music for Advent and Christmas through January 6 and find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app.

Serving Today:

Elder – Mike C.

Ushers – Dave B. and John H.

Organist – Lisa T.

Greeter – Conti

Acolyte – Katie S.

Altar Guild – Robin F.

Camera – Lisa T.

Tellers – Angela F. and Kathy Y.

Serving Next Week:

Elder – Charlie T.

Ushers - Bob B. and Collin B.

Organ – Beth B.

Greeter – Cuchlinski

Acolyte – Michael B.

Altar Guild – Kathy Y.

Camera – Angela F.

Tellers – Jim L. and Tom G.

Upcoming Calendar

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12/12	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Worship
	11:30am	Youth Confirmation
	4pm	Chapel at Sun Towers
12/14	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS). Topic: John 12.
12/15	7pm	Advent Midweek Service: "Behold, the Lord Your God is In Your Midst"
12/19	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Worship
	4pm	Chapel at Sun Towers
12/21	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS). Topic: John 13.
12/24	5pm & 7pm	Christmas Eve Worship
12/25	10am	Christmas Day Worship