

December 6, 2020

Second Sunday in Advent

9:30 AM



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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.*****

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Pastor's Greeting:



Hymn: *Arise, O Christian People* CW # 14

1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre - pare your - selves to - day.
2 Pre - pare the way be - fore him; Pre - pare for him the best.
3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God rais - es up on high;
4 Pre - pare my heart, Lord Je - sus; Turn not from me a - side,

Pre - pare to greet the Sav - ior, Who takes your sins a - way.
Cast out what would of - fend him, This great, this heav'n - ly guest.
Be - neath his feet in ter - ror The haugh - ty soul shall lie.
And help me to re - ceive you This bless - ed Ad - vent - tide.

To us by grace a - lone The truth and light were giv - en;
Make straight, make plain the way: The low - ly val - leys rais - ing,
The heart sin - cere and right, That heeds God's in - vi - ta - tion
From stall and man - ger low Come now to dwell with - in me;

The prom - ised Lord from heav - en To all the world is shown.
The heights of pride a - bas - ing, His path all e - ven lay.
And makes true prep - a - ra - tion — It is the Lord's de - light.
I'll sing your prais - es glad - ly And forth your glo - ry show.

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Confession and Absolution *(rise)*

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

All: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: AMEN

Prayer and Praise

L: We Pray. For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayers, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our pray, O Christ.

C: Christ have mercy

L: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord have mercy

L: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L: God of love and faithfulness, you showed favor to your people by sending your one and only Son to be our Savior. Help us to trust in him as our gracious Redeemer and so enjoy the peace he came to bring. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. *(seated)*

First Lesson:**Isaiah 40:6–11**

⁶ “All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field. ⁷ The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the LORD blows on them. Surely the people are grass. ⁸ The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever.”

⁹ You who bring good tidings to Zion, go up on a high mountain. You who bring good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, “Here is your God!”

¹⁰ See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power, and his arm rules for him. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him. ¹¹ He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young. (The Word of our God)

Psalm 85

I will hear what the Lord pro-claims: peace to his peo - ple.



You showed favor to your land, O LORD;*
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

You forgave the iniquity of your people*
and covered all their sins.

Show us your unfailing love, O LORD,*
and grant us your salvation.

Refrain

I will listen to what God the LORD will say;*
he promises peace to his people, his saints.

Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,*
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Love and faithfulness meet together;*
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**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.**

Refrain

2nd Lesson:

2 Peter 3:8-11

⁸ But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

¹¹ Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives (Word of the Lord)

Hymn: *Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord.....* CW # 28 Stz 1-4

1 Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has
 2 What the fa - thers most de - sired, What the
 3 A - bram's prom - ised great re - ward, Zi - on's
 4 Wel - come, O my Sav - ior, now! Joy - ful,

tru - ly kept his word And at last to
 proph - ets' heart in - spired, What they longed for
 help - er, Ja - cob's Lord — Him of two - fold
 Lord, to you I bow. Come in - to my

us did send Christ, the sin - ner's help and friend.
 man - y a year Stands ful - filled in glo - ry here.
 race be - hold — Tru - ly came, as long fore - told.
 heart, I pray; Oh, pre - pare your - self a way.

Gospel: (rise)

Mark 1:1–8

L: ¹ The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. ² It is written in Isaiah the prophet: “I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way”— ³ “a voice of one calling in the desert, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’”

C: ⁴ **And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.**

L: ⁵ The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

C: ⁶ **John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.** ⁷ **And this was his message:**

L: “After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: *Praise be to you, O Christ!* (seated)

Hymn: On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry CW # 16 Stz 1–4

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc -
 2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin And fur -
 3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref -
 4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, And lift

es that the Lord is nigh; Come, then, and lis - ten,
 nished for a guest with - in, And let us all our
 uge and our great re - ward. With - out your grace we
 us up to fall no more. Oh, make your face on

for he brings Good news a - bout the King of kings.
 hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
 waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
 us to shine, And fill the world with love di - vine.

Repent! The Kingdom Of God Is Near.



Apostles' Creed: *(Rise) (together we confess)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

***the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen***

Prayer: Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways for your only Son. By his coming, give us strength in our conflicts and shine your light on our path as we go through the darkness of this world. We also ask you to heal those who are sick, bring peace to the suffering, and your comfort to dying. This we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen *(seated)*

Hymn: *Come, O Long-Expected Jesus* **CW # 6**

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

From our sins and fears re - lease us By your death on Cal - va - ry.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now your gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's Strength and Con - so - la - tion, Hope to all the earth im - part,
By your 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 your all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

Holy Communion will be offered to our members following the service today.

Opportunities to Worship the Lord in 2020

Sunday	December 6	9:30 AM	Advent 2
Wednesday	December 9	6:30PM	Mid-week
Sunday	December 13	9:30 AM	Advent 3
Wednesday	December 16	6:30 PM	Mid-week
Sunday	December 20	9:30 AM	Advent 4
Thursday	December 24	6:30 PM	Christmas Eve
Friday	December 25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day
Sunday	December 27	9:30 AM	Christmas 1

December Birthdays

2	Elias Backes
11	Jessica Orth
12	Joel Reiblich
13	Pastor Trimmer
20	John Wittmershaus
29	Nate Potter
31	Larry Galbreath