



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Week of December 21, 2025

Collect for the Week: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 7:10-17

Epistle: Romans 1:1-7

Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Next Sunday's Readings (*The Holy Innocents*): Jer. 31:15-17; Rev. 14:1-5; Matt. 2:13-18

Hymn for the Week: "Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love" LSB 900

Notes on the Sermon: _____

Trinity Reads the Bible in 2025: (Psalms in parentheses may be read in the evening.)

December 21	Isaiah 42:1-25	Revelation 9:1-12	Ps. 24 (125; 110)
December 22	Isaiah 43:1-24	Revelation 9:13–10:11	Ps. 122 (40; 67)
December 23	Isaiah 43:25–44:20	Revelation 11:1-19	Ps. 33 (85; 91)
December 24	Isaiah 44:21–45:13, 20-25	Revelation 12:1-17	Ps. 19 (132; 114)
December 25	Isaiah 49:1-18	Matthew 1:1-17	Ps. 2 (98; 96)
December 26	Isa. 49:22-26; 50:4–51:8, 12-16	Matthew 1:18-25	Ps. 116 (119:1-24; 27)
December 27	Isaiah 51:17–52:12	Matthew 2:1-12	Ps. 34 (19; 121)

NEXT Week's Readings

December 28	Isaiah 52:13–54:10	Matthew 2:13-23	Ps. 2 (110; 111)
December 29	Isaiah 55:1-13	Luke 1:1-25	Ps. 96 (132; 97)
December 30	Isaiah 58:1–59:3, 14-21	Luke 1:26-38	Ps. 93 (89:1-18, 19-52)
December 31	Isaiah 60:1-22	Luke 1:39-56	Ps. 98 (45; 96)
January 1	Isaiah 61:1-11	Luke 1:57-80	Ps. 97 (99; 8)
January 2	Isaiah 62:1-12	Luke 2:1-20	Ps. 48 (45; 29)
January 3	Isaiah 63:1-14	Luke 2:21-40	Ps. 111 (107; 15)



for home devotions &
personal meditation

From the Old Testament

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign.
Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and shall call his name Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14

From the Epistle

To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:7

From the Holy Gospel

But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

Matthew 1:20-23