

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Second Sunday in Advent

Saturday, December 6, 6 PM | Sunday, December 7, 9 AM

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(The ringing of the bell signals the beginning of worship. Please direct your attention to the Prelude offered for your personal worship preparation and silence all electronic devices.)

PRELUDE

(6:00)..... “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” -arr. Fey
Marilyn Mark, Associate Organist

(9:00)..... “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” -arr. Larson
Thomas Annett, trumpet

WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

HYMN: “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”..... LSB 357

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som
6 O come, Thou Day - spring from on high, And cheer us
7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In one the

cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
by Thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y
hearts of all man - kind; Bid Thou our sad di -

ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
vi - sions cease, And be Thy - self our King of Peace.

Refrain

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION.....Page 184

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT.....*Psalm 105:4-8; antiphon: Isaiah 40:3b*

Pastor: In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

People: make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Pastor: Seek the LORD and his strength;

People: seek his presence continually!

Pastor: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

People: his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

Pastor: O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

People: children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

Pastor: He is the LORD our God;
People: his judgments are in all the earth.
Pastor: He remembers his covenant forever,
People: the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.
Pastor: In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
People: make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

(♪) GLORIA PATRI..... Page 186

**People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

(♪) KYRIE.....Page 186

**People: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Advent.

(♪) SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY.....Page 189

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.
Pastor: Let us pray.
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.
People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING.....Isaiah 11:1-10

- 11** There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
- 2** And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- 3** And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,

or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
 4 but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
 and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
 and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
 and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,
 and faithfulness the belt of his loins.
 6 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
 and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat,
 and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together;
 and a little child shall lead them.
 7 The cow and the bear shall graze;
 their young shall lie down together;
 and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
 8 The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra,
 and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.
 9 They shall not hurt or destroy
 in all my holy mountain;
 for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD
 as the waters cover the sea.

10 In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of
 him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL.....*Zechariah 9:9 Psalm 118:26, alt.*

Pastor: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

People: **Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.**

Pastor: Behold, your king is coming to you;

People: **righteous and having salvation.**

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **From the house of the Lord we bless you.**

EPISTLE.....Romans 15:4-13

4For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that
 through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have
 hope. 5May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such
 harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, 6that together you may with

one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,
and sing to your name.”

¹⁰ And again it is said,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”

¹¹ And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples extol him.”

¹² And again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse will come,
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;
in him will the Gentiles hope.”

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

 ALLELUIA (*Stand*).....Page 190

People: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL.....Matthew 3:1-12

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

3 In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord;
make his paths straight.’”

⁴ Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶ and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?" ⁸ Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹ And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰ Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.



¹¹ "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.


NICENE CREED.....Page 191

People: 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 look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN: “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”LSB 344



1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
 2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the
 3 We hail Thee as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge
 4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the
 Δ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent

that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in; And let us all our
and our great re - ward; With - out Thy grace we
fall - en strong to stand; Show us the glo - ry
sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther

for he brings Glad tid - ings of 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.
 of Thy face Till beau - ty springs in ev - 'ry place.
 we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

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SERMON..... Matthew 3:1-12

(🎵) OFFERTORY (*Stand*).....LSB 192

People: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

OFFERING

(6:00).....“Once He Came in Blessing” -arr. Manz
(9:00)..... “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” -arr. Hayes

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Out of love for our members and guests, and with sincere concern for the spiritual welfare of all, and in the desire to honor Christ our Lord and to be faithful to His Word, Trinity Lutheran Church abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. All who are communicant members in good standing of Trinity Lutheran Church or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to come in true repentance to receive Christ’s body and blood in the fellowship of this altar. All others are welcome to gather at the altar rail with arms folded across your chest, indicating your desire to receive a word of blessing from the pastor.

(♪) PREFACE.....Page 194

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up unto the Lord.
Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
People: It is meet and right so to do.
Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

(♪) SANCTUS.....Page 195

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

(♪) LORD’S PRAYER.....Page 196

Pastor: 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.

People:	For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.	
(♪)	THE WORDS OF OUR LORD.....	Page 197
(♪)	PAX DOMINI.....	Page 197
Pastor:	The peace of the Lord be with you always.	
People:	Amen.	
(♪)	AGNUS DEI.....	Page 198
People:	O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.	
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS (<i>Sit</i>)		
	“Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come”.....	LSB 350
	“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”.....	LSB 637
	<i>Music for Quiet Reflection</i>	
(♪)	NUNC DIMITTIS (<i>Stand</i>).....	Page 199
People:	Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.	
(♪)	THANKSGIVING.....	Page 200
Pastor:	O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,	
People:	and His mercy endureth forever.	
(♪)	POST-COMMUNION COLLECT.....	Page 201
Pastor:	Let us pray...	
People:	Amen.	


(♪) SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS.....Page 201

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with thy spirit.**
Pastor: Bless we the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

(♪) BENEDICTION..... Page 202

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.
People: **Amen.**

HYMN: “Prepare the Royal Highway”.....LSB 343



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing; Your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom-ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.




Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!
So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain



Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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POSTLUDE (6:00).....“Prepare the Royal Highway” -arr. Manz

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Build on the blessings received in the Divine Service by receiving our pastors' instruction in Bible class today; all are welcome! Pastor Bahn in the main fellowship hall will continue to treat the Ten Commandments (3rd/4th Comm.) based on *Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation*, and Pastor Groth in the west fellowship hall will delve more deeply into the Scripture readings for this Second Sunday in Advent, applying their teachings to our lives.



PRAY

without ✦ ceasing

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THESE GENERAL & SPECIFIC NEEDS AT TRINITY

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS AT TRINITY

- **Peace & comfort for the loved ones of Diane Conner, Wendy Solsrud's mother**, who recently passed away
- For hope in our Savior as we prepare our hearts to celebrate His birth on Christmas.
- For relatives and friends of Trinity on active military duty

GENERAL CHURCH & WORLD CONCERNS

- Thanks for God's care through Word & Sacrament
- For opportunities to share Jesus with others
- For the Spirit-empowered readiness to love, confess, forgive, and be reconciled
- For persecuted Christians throughout the world, and for the conversion of their persecutors
- For the well-being of pregnant mothers and their preborn children, in both body and soul
- For an end to racism, terrorism, and every evil
- For our national, state, and local government leaders
- For all those who are chronically ill and suffering

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- Carole Anderson
- Vonnice & Ron Andrie
- Darrell Axtell
- Penny Bebensee
- Edna Bornstein
- Pat Campbell
- Nancy Engen
- Eldred Gerhold
- Duane Goodwin
- Pastor Kornacki
- June Miller
- Ervene Nothwehr
- Judy Rathje
- Jessica Riha
- Bill Rosell
- Carrie Sills
- Marjorie Spicka
- Gwen Timm
- Dell Votroubek
- Eloise Weiss