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First Sunday of Advent



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Please leave your offering in the plate at the door
You may stand at times marked with an asterisk (*)

Opening

Prelude and Contemplation

Tena Rackow

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of Advent Wreath

P: Seek the Lord while he may be found.
C: Call upon him while he is near.

P: Prepare the way of the Lord.
C: Make the Lord's paths straight.

P: Lift up your heads, O gates,
C: that the king of glory may come in.

P: The Spirit and the church cry out:
C: Come, Lord Jesus!

P: All those who await his appearance pray:
C: Come, Lord Jesus!

P: The whole creation pleads:
C: Come, Lord Jesus!

P: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe. You call all nations to walk in your light and to seek your ways of justice and peace, for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near. Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.

Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes and welcome him into our hearts and homes, for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever.

C: Amen.

The first candle is lit.

Advent Song *Waiting, Waiting* verse 1

Confession and Forgiveness *WOV page 10*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

P: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,

C: we have sinned against you and against our neighbor,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with repentance and faith turn to him, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through ☩ Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

*** Hymn** ***Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*** **ELW # 242**

*** Greeting** *WOV page 28*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

*** Kyrie** ***Lord, Have Mercy*** *WOV page 28*

P: Kyrie eleison. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Christe eleison. **C: Christ, have mercy.**

P: Kyrie eleison. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

*** Canticle** ***Glory to God*** *WOV page 29*

C: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God,
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God...

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God…
and peace to God's people on earth.

* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Readings

First Reading: *Isaiah 64:1-9*

L: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

64 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
2 as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3 When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
4 From of old no one has heard
or perceived by the ear,
no eye has seen a God besides you,
who acts for those who wait for him.
5 You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,
those who remember you in your ways.
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;
in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?
6 We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

[7] There is no one who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.
[8] But now, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
[9] Be not so terribly angry, O LORD,
and remember not iniquity forever.
Behold, please look, we are all your people. *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: *80:1-7, 17-19*

L: Let us read responsively from Psalm 80.

[1] Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock.
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.
[2] **Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh,**
stir up your might and come to save us!
[3] Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!
[4] **O LORD God of hosts,**
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?
[5] You have fed them with the bread of tears
and given them tears to drink in full measure.
[6] **You make us an object of contention for our neighbors,**
and our enemies laugh among themselves.
[7] Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!

17 **But let your hand be on the man of your right hand,**
the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!
18 Then we shall not turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call upon your name!
19 **Restore us, O LORD God of hosts!**
Let your face shine, that we may be saved! *[ESV]*

Second Reading: *I Corinthians 1:3-9*

L: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *[ESV]*

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel Acclamation *WOV page 31*

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.

* Gospel: *Mark 13:24-37*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be
darkened, and the moon will not give its light, 25 and the stars will be
falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. 26
And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. 27 And then he will send out the angels and gather his
elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of
heaven.

28 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes
tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near,
at the very gates. 30 Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass
away until all these things take place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass
away, but my words will not pass away.

32 "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Be on guard, keep
awake. For you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is like a man
going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in
charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay
awake. 35 Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master
of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the
rooster crows, or in the morning— 36 lest he come suddenly and find
you asleep. 37 And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake." *[ESV]*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Reflection

Sermon Rev. Thomas Mosbo

*** Hymn** ***My Lord, What a Morning*** **ELW # 438**

*** Nicene Creed** *WOV page 32*

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father,
through whom all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer

Prayers of Intercession *WOV page 34*

L: In hope and expectation, we bring to God our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: … God, in your mercy,
C: receive our prayer.

P: We entrust these and the prayers of all our hearts to you, most holy God, in the name of Christ Jesus our Savior.
C: Amen.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Denny Bergmann, Rene', Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Virgil Martin, Caroline Jam, Cyndy Shumaker, Virgil Gordon, Jerry Martin, Donna Christen, Richard Freitag, Sherry Freitag, Troy Keene, Connor Stadermann, Ryse Stone, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kathy, Charlie, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Connie, Pam, Caroline, Tina D. ,Jim DeMontigny Jr., Norman, Vivian, Tina Cheeney, Brenda, Christine Beyer, Bob Schulz, Kenny Frie, Steve Rothschadl, Gary L. Hartwig, Josh, Hannah, Ray Phillips, Susan, Allison Biddick, Brad Rackow, Kim Choin, Jeannie, Dianne, Nancy, Pat McCluskey, Jim Briggs, Sandi, Tina, Jim, Ronald Schrader, Christine S., Carol Lartz, Amy, Leta Toelke, Pr. Paul Carlson, Shelvan Heid, Bob Schlachter, Mary Gerbode Lorie, Stacy, Karl Kayser, Pam Rackow, Linda Keene and Ruth Ann Proehl. Pray for love, peace, comfort and hope of resurrection for the family and friends of Hazel Dorsey.

Lord's Prayer *WOV page 39*

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

Blessing *WOV page 41*

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,
In the name of the Father, ☩ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit..

C: Amen.

* Hymn *The King Shall Come* **ELW # 260**

* Dismissal *WOV page 41*

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Tena Rackow

Attendance November 16th
In-person - 24 , on-line - not available

Please be sure that any *offering contribution you would like credit for this year, is received prior to the end of worship on*

Sunday, December 27, 2026.

Contribution received after that time will be credited in 2027.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas is approaching, it's time to place your poinsettia order.

Poinsettia Orders must be placed by December 7th.

Plants will be $15.00 each.

Please complete the form below and mail it, drop it off at the church office or place



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