

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT - NOVEMBER 28, 2021



Jeremiah was to inform an idolatrous people that the Lord would not forsake them, even though they had disregarded his love and his ways. He would send a righteous branch of the tree of David to be their king. This king would be eternal and his reign would be characterized by justice and mercy. We know this one as King Jesus, and he will return to earth once more and take his people unto himself for all eternity.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ In worship, we hear God's Word, partake in the Lord's Supper, and give thanks to God in prayer and praise.
- ◆ If you receive the Lord's Supper in your home congregation, you are welcome to receive it here.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.
- ◆ Please fill out a visitor card so we can keep in touch. The Lord give you strength for daily living.
- ◆ A personal hearing aid is available if needed. Please ask a Greeter or any member for assistance.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

MUSICAL PRELUDE - KAREN HALL

ADVENT LITURGY

DEDICATION OF ADVENT PARAMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN — "THE ADVENT OF OUR GOD" (*Stand, Sung: LBW #22:1-3, 6*)

The advent of our God Shall be our theme for prayer; Come, let us meet him on the road And place for him prepare.

The everlasting Son Incarnate stoops to be, Himself the servant's form puts on To set his people free.

Come, holy Church, arise To meet your lowly king, Nor let your faithless heart despise The peace he comes to bring.

All glory to the Son, Who comes to set us free, With Father, Spirit, ever One Through all eternity.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (*Luke 21:27-28, adapted*)

P: At the world's end all will see the Son of Man coming in great power and glory.

C: That day will come upon all those who live upon the earth.

P: When this takes place, stand up and lift up your heads...

C: because your redemption is drawing near.

P: You have promised, Lord of Glory, that you will come at a time known only to God to be Judge and Savior of all. We confess the sins for which we fear your judgment and plead for your salvation. (*Silent confession....*)

P: In Christ's name your sins are forgiven. Go in peace and the grace of our Lord Jesus strengthen you to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of his return. **C: Amen.**

KYRIE (*Sung: "Come, O Precious Ransom, Come" - LBW #24*)

A: Let us pray to God the Lord, **C: for his peace and our salvation.**

A: Let us pray for unity **C: and the health of every nation.**

A: Grant, O God, your mercy wide; **C: keep us safely by your side.**

PRAYER

P: Stir up your power, O Lord Jesus, and come.

C: Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FIRST READING - Jeremiah 33:14-16 (*Sit; Pew Bible, p. 787*)

SECOND READING - 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (*Pew Bible, p. 1173*)

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - "CHRIST CHILD'S A COMIN'"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE — THE HOPE CANDLE

ADVENT GOSPEL VERSE (*Stand, Sung: "On Jordan's Banks" - LBW #36*)

**O Christ the Lord step forth we pray And speak your word to us today;
Our minds with gospel truth now fill That we may know and do God's will.**

GOSPEL READING & RESPONSES - Luke 21:25-36 (*Sung; Pew Bible, p. 1047*)

C: Glory to you, O Lord. / C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (*Sit*)

HYMN OF THE DAY — "O GOD OF GOD, O LIGHT OF LIGHT" (*Stand, Sung: LBW #536:1-2, 4*)

**O God of God, O Light of light, O Prince of Peace and King of kings:
To you in heaven's glory bright The son of praise forever rings.
To him who shares the Father's throne, The Lamb once slain but raised again,
Be all the glory he has won, All thanks and praise! Amen. Amen.**

**For deep in prophets' sacred page, And grand in poets' winged word,
Slowly in type, from age to age The nations saw their coming Lord;
Till through the deep Judean night Rang out the song, Good will to men!"
Sung once by firstborn sons of light, It echoes now, "Good will!" Amen.**

**Then raise to Christ a mighty song And shout his name, his glories tell!
Sing, heav'nly host, your praise prolong, And all on earth, your anthem swell!
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain! Forever let the song ascend!
All hail, O Lamb enthroned to reign! All hail! All hail! Amen! Amen!**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

ADULT CHOIR - "AN ADVENT REFLECTION"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING HYMN (*Sung: "What Child is This" - LBW #40*)

**So bring him incense, gold and myrrh; Come peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts en-
throned him. Raise, raise the song on high, The virgin sings her lullaby; Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!**

OFFERING PRAYER

C: We offer, kind Father, our gifts and praise, a joyful return for the gift of your Son. Amen

LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

PREFACE DIALOG (*Sung: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" - LBW #45*)

P: The Lord God be with you. **C: And with you, His servant.**

P: Oh, come, let us lift our hearts unto the Lord.

**C: With hearts uplifted, thanks to Him we render
With joy we come before Him, In gratefulness implore Him,
With thankful hearts adore Him evermore!**

THANKSGIVING

P: Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, Almighty Creator, Merciful Lord, God of Promise and Fulfillment. Of old Your faithful people waited for the day of visitation, manifest at last when the time had fully come and You sent forth Jesus Christ, Your Son. Having seen His glory, now we wait for the day of consummation, when He will come again as Judge and King. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS (*Sung: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" - LBW #60*)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord! God of hosts, by all adored!
Heav'n and earth cannot contain All the glory of your name!
Hail hosanna, God most high! Blest is He who now draws nigh,
In the name of God the King! Hallelujahs glad we sing!
Hail, Hosanna! Praises due, Be forever, Lord to you!**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" - LBW #54*)

**All: Our Father, Lord on heav'n's high throne, / Most holy be Your name.
Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, / On earth, in heav'n the same.
Give us this day the food we need; / Forgiven may we be;
Into temptation do not lead; / From evil set us free.**

**Yours is the kingdom; Unto You / in grateful love we bow;
And yours the pow'r, Lord, let us view / Your mighty presence now.
The glory Yours; Your praise be sung / By angel host and men
In ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue / Forevermore! Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD (*Sung: "Silent Night" - LBW #65*)

**All: Lamb of God, hear our prayer, Lifted high as we draw near:
Take away the sin of the world, take away the sin of the world,
Grant in mercy your peace, grant in mercy your peace.**

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

POST COMMUNION HYMN (*Sung: "Angels We Have Heard on High" - LBW #71*)

**All: Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell the world what he has done.
He recalls his promises, keeps them all in his dear Son.
Gloria! Sing songs of thanksgiving. Gloria! Joyful hearts uplifting.**

DISMISSAL PRAYER

P: Send us forth into your Father's world, O Lord of Glory,

C: and let the love and unity of this table find a place in all our hearts and homes. Amen

BENEDICTION (*Luke 2:29-32, adapted*)

P: The Lord send you forth in peace. The Lord open your eyes to his salvation. The Lord reveal his glory to you and all people.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN "SOON AND VERY SOON" (*Sung*)

**Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Refrain**

**No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King. Refrain**

**No more dyin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there we are goin' to see the King. Refrain**

**Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Refrain**

Refrain

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

DISMISSAL

P: Christ has come. Christ is with us. Christ will come again.

C: We watch and pray for his glorious Day!

MUSICAL POSTLUDE - KAREN HALL

Liturgical Portions: Tunes: "Come, O Precious Ransom", "On Jordan's Banks", "What Child is This", "O Come, All Ye Faithful", "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing", "Silent Night", "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", "Angels We Have Heard on High": Public Domain

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