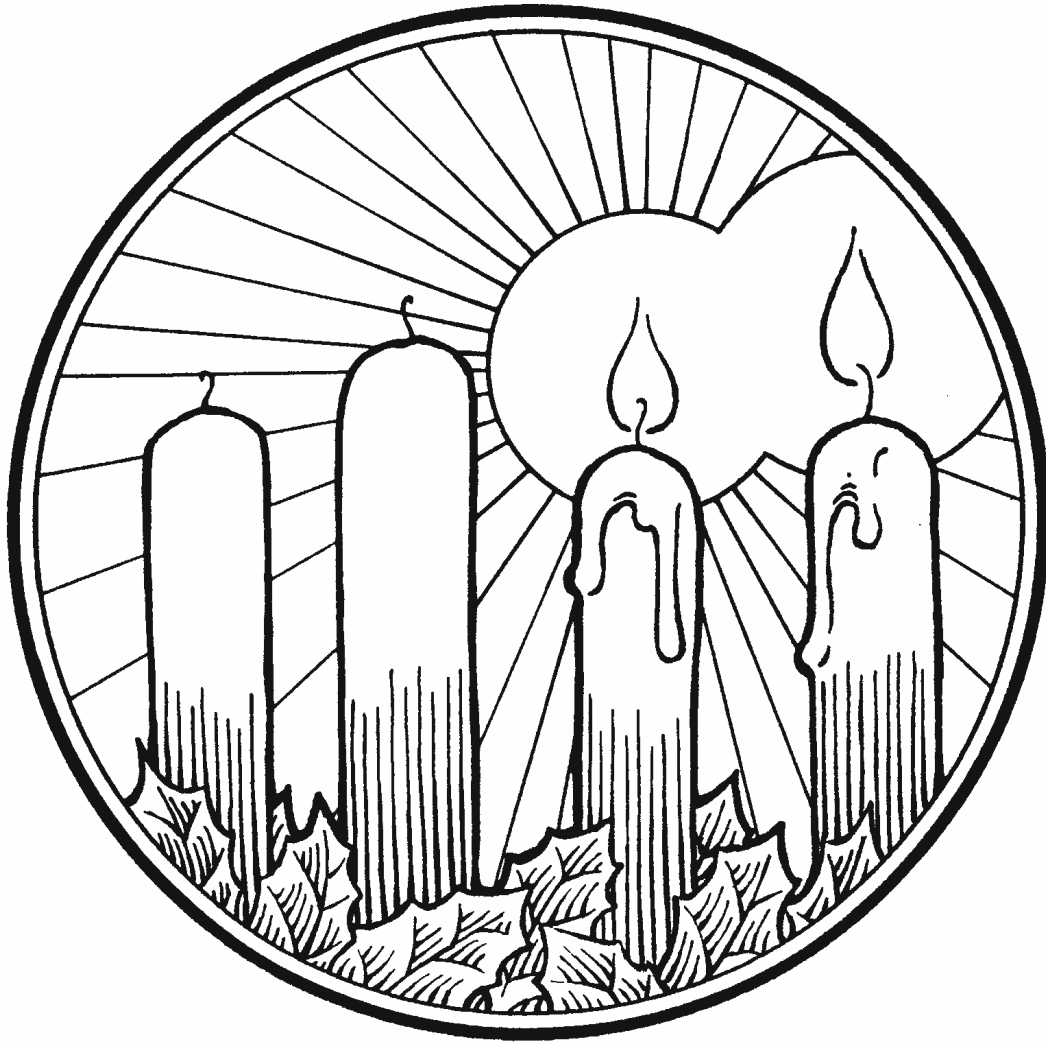


# SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

## DECEMBER 8, 2024



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Visitors: Please see the statement on Holy Communion on pg. 16.***

# Confession and Absolution

## Opening Hymn: 349 Hark the Glad Sound

Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702–51

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

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

**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

**P** 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.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

### Confession of Sins

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **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.**

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

# Service of the Word

## Introit

*Psalm 81:8, 10–11, 13; antiphon: Luke 3:4b*

The voice of one crying in the | wilderness:\*

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his | paths straight.”

Hear, O my people, while I ad- | monish you!\*

O Israel, if you would but lis- | ten to me!

I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of | Egypt.\*

Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it.

But my people did not listen | to my voice;\*

Israel would not sub- | mit to me.

Oh, that my people would lis- | ten to me,\*

that Israel would walk | in my ways!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

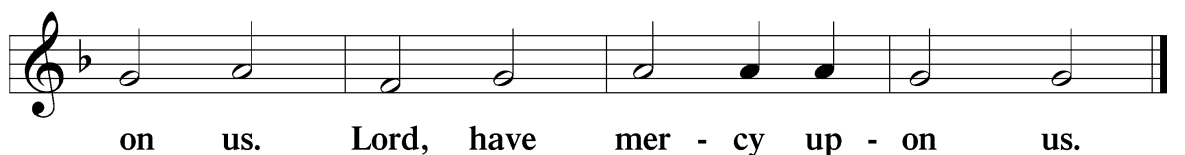
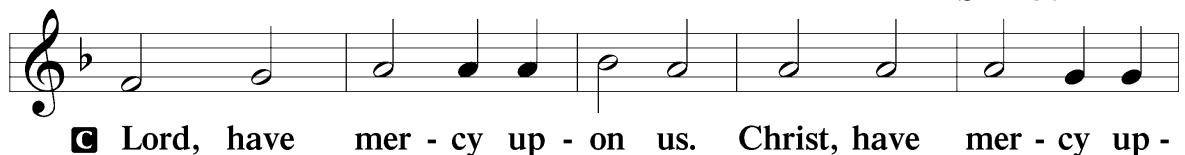
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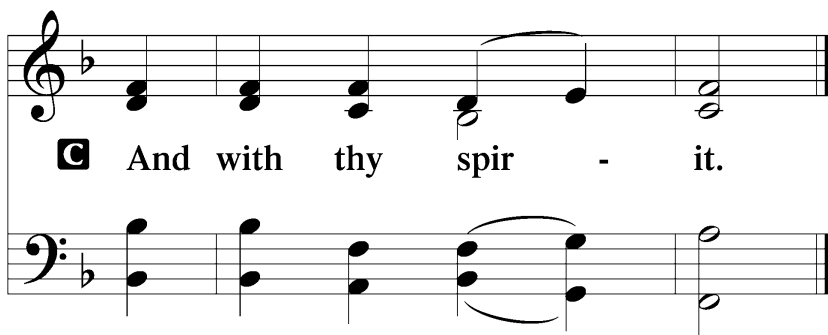
## Kyrie

*LSB 186*



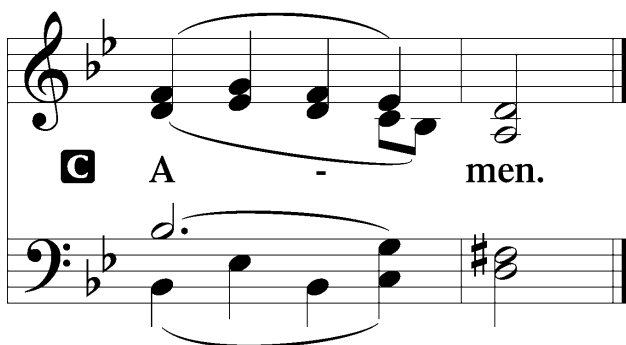
## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** 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.



*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 3:1-7b*

<sup>1</sup>"Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. <sup>3</sup>He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

<sup>5</sup>"Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>6</sup>“For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. <sup>7</sup>From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Philippians 1:2–11*

<sup>2</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup>because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup>And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup>so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

*LSB 190*

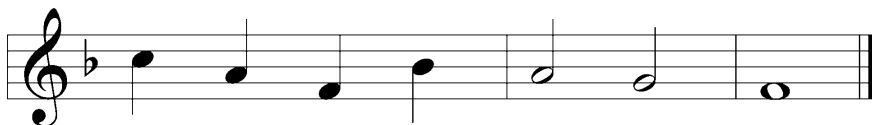


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 3:1–20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, <sup>2</sup>during the high

priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>4</sup>As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

<sup>5</sup>Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall become straight,  
and the rough places shall become level ways,

<sup>6</sup>and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

<sup>7</sup>He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin 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. <sup>9</sup>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.”

<sup>10</sup>And the crowds asked him, “What then shall we do?” <sup>11</sup>And he answered them, “Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.” <sup>12</sup>Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” <sup>13</sup>And he said to them, “Collect no more than you are authorized to do.” <sup>14</sup>Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.”

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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.

*Sit*

## 344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. composite

### Sermon

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds  
in Christ Jesus.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

### Offertory

*LSB 192*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**Offering:** *Offerings may be placed in the wooden box at the back of the Sanctuary.*

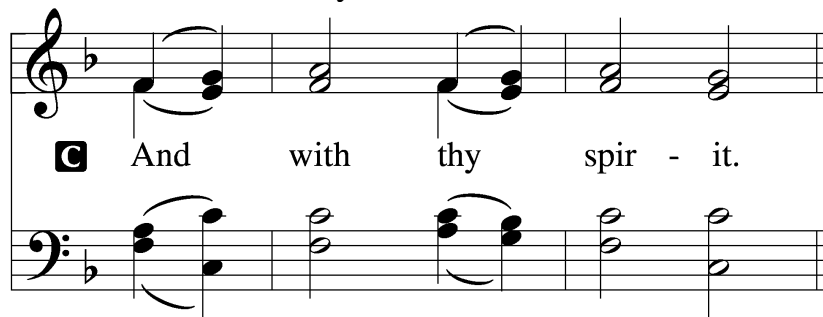
**Prayer of the Church**

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*LSB 194*

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

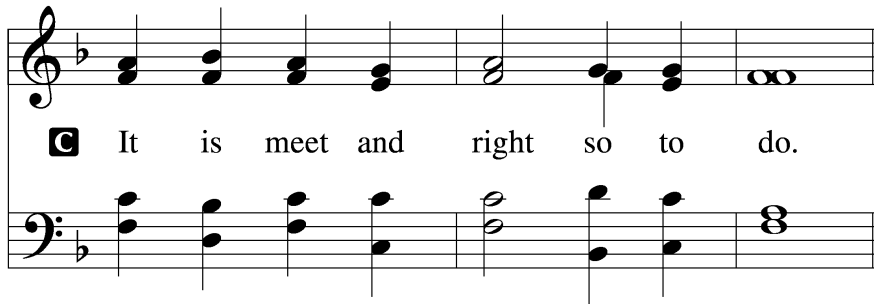
**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



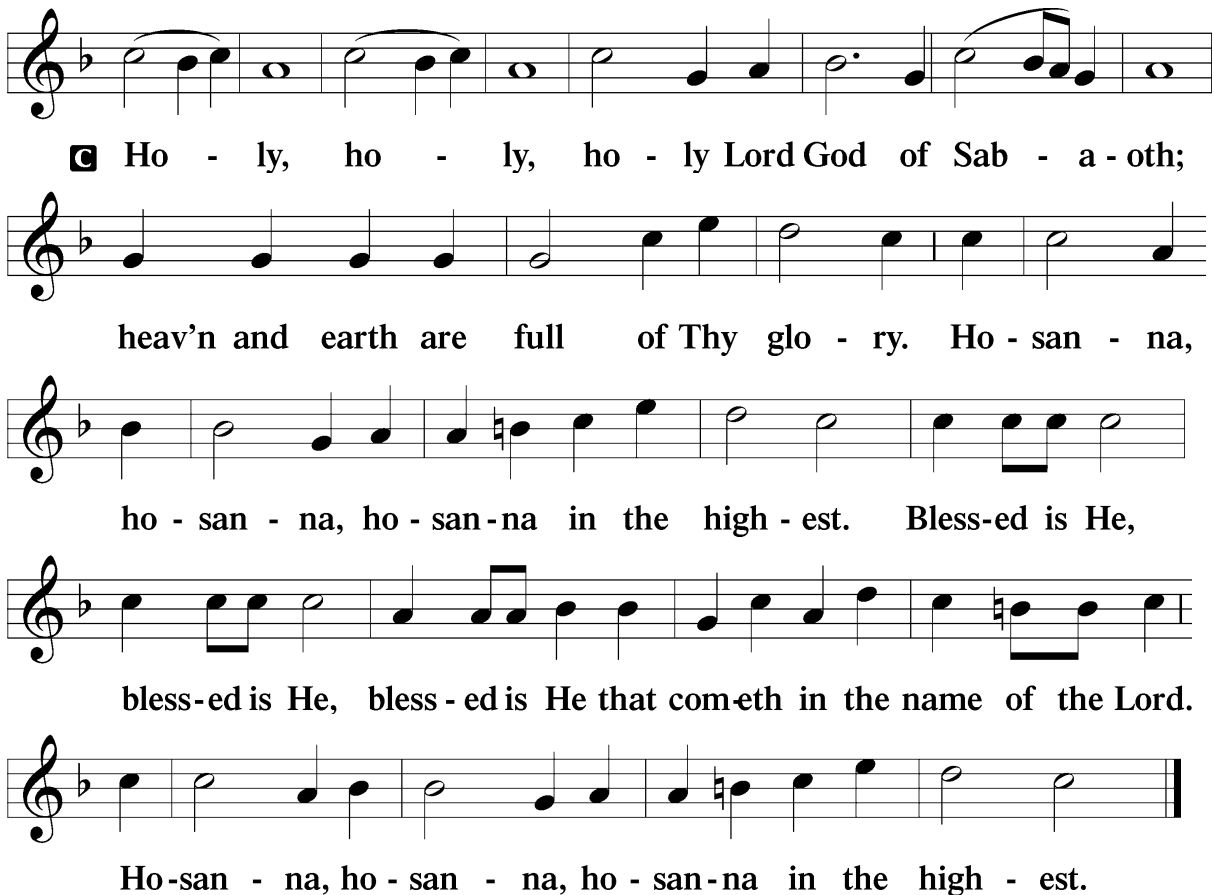
**C** It is meet and right so to do.

### Proper Preface (Full)

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*LSB 195*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

196

- 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.
- C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.  
Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

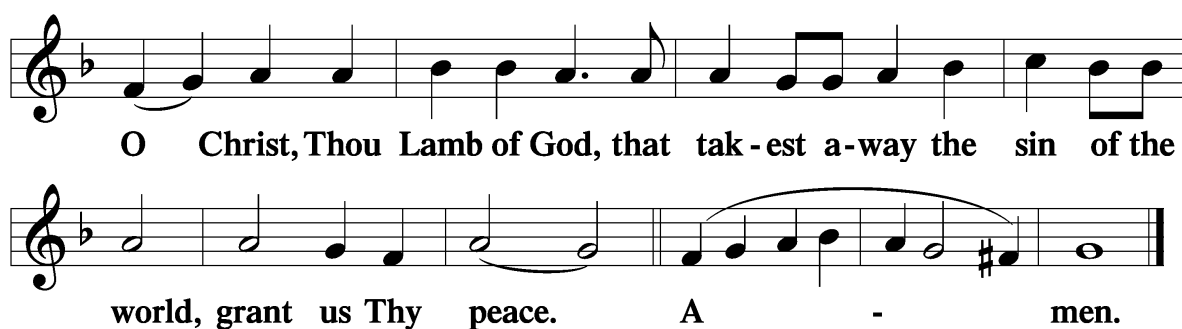
LSB 197

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



*Sit*

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymns

#### 354 Arise, O Christian People

Text: Valentin Thilo, 1607–62; tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–74, alt.

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#### 346 When All the World Was Cursed

Text: Johann Gottfried Olearius, 1635–1711; tr. Paul E. Kretzmann, 1883–1965, alt.

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#### 606 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89

*Stand*

### Nunc Dimittis

*LSB 199*



a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy  
 peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

**P** The Lord be with you.

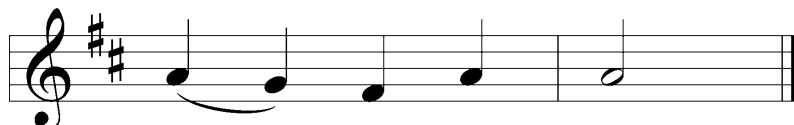


**C** And with thy spir - it.

### **Benedicamus**

*LSB 202*

**A** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**

*LSB 202*

**P** 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.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Sit*

### **Closing Hymn: 345 Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding**

Text: Latin, c. 5th–10th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.

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**Worship Times:** Sunday at 9:00 A.M. & Monday at 6:00 P.M.

### **Welcome**

We are glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you have any questions during worship, please feel free to ask an usher at any time.

Small children are part of the Body of Christ. We always welcome them in worship. However, we understand that it may not be easy to remain still or quiet. If a break is needed, “Busy Bags” are hanging up as you enter the Sanctuary.

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### **Preacher/Liturgist**

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Sunday: Kyle Weidmayer & Aaron Utecht

Monday: John & Michele Brixius

Wednesday: Dick Orth & Ken Kohlwey

### **Communion Assistant**

Lee Matthias

### **Altar Guild**

Joanne Thompson & JoAnn Noffke

### **CD Recording**

Keith & Laurie Magyar

### **Altar Flowers**

### **Prayers**

For Chuck Newberg who has been placed on Hospice care.



## **This Week at Redeemer**

Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am Worship  
Voter's Meeting

Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>  
8:15 am Finance  
No Bible Study

Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 pm Confirmation  
6:00 pm Advent Service

Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 pm Board Meeting

Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 am Book Club  
3:00 pm STS to Clipper City Chordsmen

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am Worship  
Fellowship  
10:15 am Educ. Classes

**Last Week Attendance: 121      Last Week Offering: \$5,797**



## Statement on Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here every weekend and on other holy days. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ delivers His true body and blood into our mouths. His gift of body and blood, given in, with, and under the bread and wine, bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

All members of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod have publicly confessed this sacred gift and its blessings, and so are encouraged to commune. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with a pastor before communing for the first time. When you have examined yourself according to Christ's bidding (1 Corinthians 11:17-34), come to His Supper rejoicing, just as Jesus asks, knowing that our Lord meets you at His altar with joy. Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than the Holy Supper are asked to cross their arms over their chest.

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## ADVENT 2 SERMON: MIGHTY GOD

Our second midweek Advent sermon is “Mighty God”—a title given to Jesus in Isaiah 9:6. We will learn from Scripture that Jesus is more than a mere human who was a great teacher or a popular hero. Jesus *was* and *is* God in human flesh. We will also learn *why* it is important for us to believe that Jesus *was* and *is* God in human flesh.

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## Pastor Hirssig to Emeritus

I am changing to Emeritus status which means I no longer serve under a call, yet am still able to do ministry. I thank God for ministry at Redeemer and continue to pray for you. In Christ, Pastor Hirssig

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## Hearing Problems?

New hearing devices are available to use for both worship and bible study. Please ask an usher for help.

## **Cards to Shut-Ins**

If you would like to send cards of encouragement for Advent and Christmas to any of our shut-ins, a list of names and addresses is available at the Welcome Center desk.

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## **Dorothy Zimmerman 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Dorothy Zimmerman will be turning 100 on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a card for all members to sign after church this weekend.

Additionally, if you would like to mail her a card, her address is:

Dorothy Zimmerman  
800 East Grant Street  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

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## **2025 Offering Envelopes**

2025 offering envelopes are now available. Please pick your packet up as soon as possible. Do not use them until January 2025. Any offerings that you want posted for 2024 need to be in the church office by December 30<sup>th</sup>.

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## **Kwik Trip**

Kwik Trip cards are restocked and available for purchase. Mary will be selling Kwik Trip cards today after service. Plan ahead, Kwik Trip gift cards make great gifts and stocking stuffers. Thank you for continuing to support this preschool fundraiser!

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## **Poinsettia Delivery**

The poinsettias will be delivered on Monday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. If anyone is available to help with the poinsettia placement, please show up at that time. Thank you!

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## **Children's Christmas Program**

The Children's Christmas Program will be on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure any child that wants to be in the program is attending Sunday School! If you have any questions, see Beth Utecht

## Family Ministry Donations

Family Ministry is looking for donations of candy canes (about 100), snacks (Peanut butter crackers, applesauce etc.), candy and little trinkets (pencils, erasers, stamps) that will be used for three different events. Some will be used for the St. Nick's visit, other goodie bags are given to kids after the Sunday School Christmas Service and bags are handed out after the Christmas Eve and Christmas Services. Please put donations in the box by the welcome center. If you have any questions, talk to Beth Utecht or Johanna Harris.

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## Greeting Cards

Boxes of Christmas cards and individual Thanksgiving cards are now available at the Redeemer card rack, located in the fellowship hall.

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## Youth Game Nights

Youth game night will be December 18th following the Advent service. Complete the following haiku based on Daniel 12 for a prize:

Everyone whose name  
Is found written in the book  
—will be \_\_\_\_\_.



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## Advent/Christmas Schedule

- *Midweek Advent Services will be on Wednesday December 11<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup> all at 6:00 PM.*
- *Christmas Eve Worship: Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 and 5:00 P.M.*
- *Christmas Day Worship: 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>.*



Join Family Ministry (all ages welcome) as we count down the New Year on  
Tuesday, December 31 starting at 5 p.m.  
Please invite your friends and neighbors.

**5:00 pm:** Church

**6:00 pm:** Supper (Salad, Lasagna, Breads, Fruit, Dessert, Drinks)

**6:59 pm:** NYE countdown!

If you are interested in bringing items for supper sign up at the  
Welcome Center. We are also looking for donations of  
noisemakers and decorations which can be put at the welcome  
center.