

First Sunday in Advent December 3, 2023

Then Jesus began to say to them
"Beware that no one
leads you astray."

Mark 13:5, ESV



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WE WELCOME YOU in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you are a guest, please sign our guest book by the outside entrance. May God bless your worship here today!

Communion Note

The Lord's Supper is a gift of Christ given to those who He has called as His own. It is a gift that He instructs His family to use with care. It is for all baptized Christians who confess their sins, see Christ's forgiveness in the true body and blood of Christ they receive with the bread and wine. If you share this oneness of faith, please commune with us. If you have any questions, please speak with our pastor. Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of each tray for those people with special needs.

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
We Are Waiting for His Arrival
December 3, 2023

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN 331 THE ADVENT OF OUR KING



1 The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy,
2 The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be,
3 O Zi - on's daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King,
4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain



And we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
Him - self a ser - vant's form puts on To set His ser - vants free.
Nor let your faith - less heart de - spise The peace He comes to bring.
And His true mem - bers all u - nite With Him in heav'n to reign.

5 Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away,
The new self now put on.

D 6 All glory to the Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one
Through all eternity.

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INVOCATION

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 33:20–22*

Pastor Our soul waits for the LORD;
People He is our help and our shield.

Pastor For our heart is glad in Him,
People because we trust in His holy name.

Pastor Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
People even as we hope in You.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor Confident in His steadfast love, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

People Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we do and by what we fail to do. Instead of waiting on You and clinging to Your promises, we impatiently go our own way. Instead of loving our neighbors as ourselves, we put our wants first and serve our interests instead of Yours, O God. For the sake of our Savior and King, have mercy on us. Forgive us

and restore us. Guide us and renew us. Help us to walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor "You are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:7-8). Our faithful God hears our prayers and answers them, taking away our guilt and giving us His righteousness. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, our Savior and King, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

+ WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 25:1-3; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

Pastor Behold, your king is coming to you;

People **righteous and having salvation.**

Pastor To You, O LORD,

People **I lift up my soul.**

Pastor O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame;

People **let not my enemies exult over me.**

Pastor Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;

People **they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

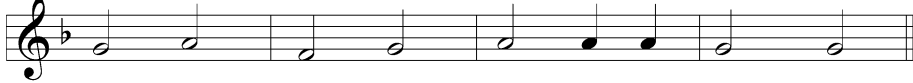
Pastor Behold, your king is coming to you;

People **righteous and having salvation.**

KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come to us

People **as we wait for Your arrival.**

Pastor Protect us by Your hand that we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins

People **and saved by Your mighty deliverance;**

Pastor for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 64:1-9* (“Behold, please look, we are all Your people.”)

¹Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
²as 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!
³When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
⁴From 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.
⁵You 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?
⁶We 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.
⁷There 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.
⁸But now, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
⁹Be not so terribly angry, O LORD,
and remember not iniquity forever.
Behold, please look, we are all your people.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 1:3-9* (We wait for Jesus, who sustains us and takes our guilt away.)

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

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 13:24-37 Beware no one leads you astray.*

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

People Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And 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. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven 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. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It 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. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY 332 SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS, COME



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
5 God the Fa - ther was His source, Back to God He
6 For You are the Fa - ther's Son Who in flesh the
7 From the man - ger new - born light Shines in glo - ry



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
ran His course. In - to hell His road went down,
vic - t'ry won. By Your might - y pow'r make whole
through the night. Dark - ness there no more re - sides;



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
Back then to His throne and crown.
All our ills of flesh and soul.
In this light faith now a - bides.

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YOUNG PEOPLES MESSAGE

SERMON Mark 13:24-37 "The End Are You Prepared?"

CREED Nicene Creed

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 believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor As we wait in hope for the coming of our Lord, let us together, as His Advent people, bring our prayers before Him.

Gracious Father, we give You thanks and praise for Your goodness and mercy that follow us all the days of our lives. You are our God; we are Your people. You have purchased and won us from sin and death by the sacrifice of Your Son upon the cross and by His rising from the grave. As He now sits at Your right hand, exalted over all things, we wait expectantly for the Day of His revealing. We wait in hope for the Lord!

People He is our help and our shield.

Pastor Mighty King and loving Savior, we thank You for the authority You have over all things in heaven and on earth. To a world in disarray and for a people filled with

despair, You alone offer hope, peace, and certainty that all things are in Your hands. Help us to trust in You, Lord Jesus, even as we wait for the redemption You will provide on the Day You come again to judge the living and the dead. Bless the land in which we live and all those who serve for the benefit of us all. Be present in our homes, our schools, and our workplaces that Your provision be known to all. We wait in hope for the Lord!

People He is our help and our shield.

Pastor Healer of the broken and sustainer of the weary, grant the comfort of Your Holy Spirit to all who are suffering in heart, body, mind, and spirit. Remind those who are downtrodden that they are never alone, and use us as Your people to reach out in care and compassion to those in our family, our community, and within this congregation who need Your healing mercies, [*especially* . . .]. We wait in hope for the Lord!

People He is our help and our shield.

Pastor Lord Jesus, we are Your waiting, expectant, hope-filled people. We anticipate the Day of Your revealing when Your saving work will be fully complete and when You renew and restore all things in heaven and on earth. Until that glorious Day, help us to rely upon Your grace alone, which declares us guiltless in Your sight through faith in Your promises. Stir up our hearts to make known to all the wonders You have done, so that more souls may be brought to saving faith and many would join with us in saying, "We wait in hope for the Lord!"

People He is our help and our shield.

Pastor Confident in our coming King and Savior, we entrust our prayers into Your merciful hands, for You, O Father, live and reign with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

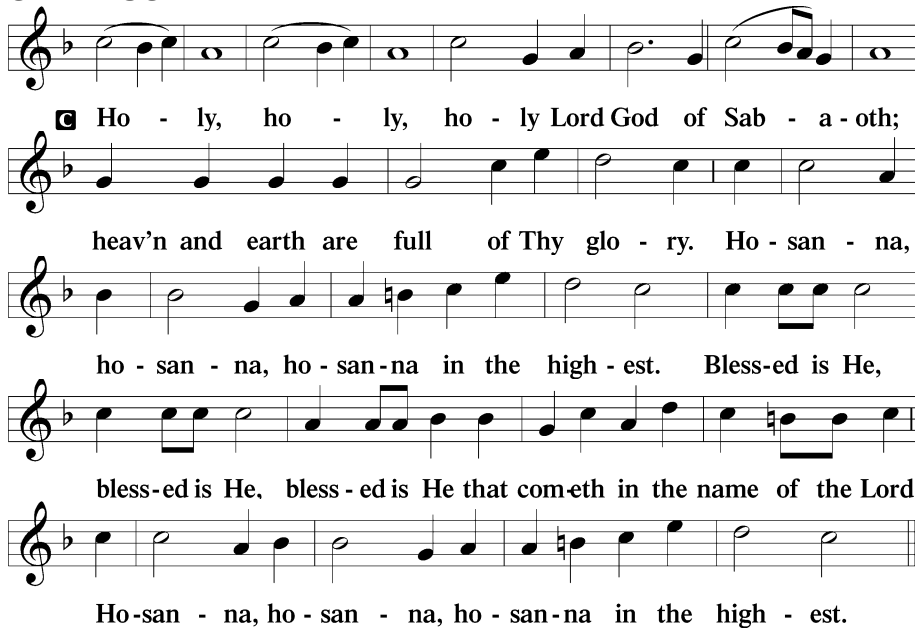
Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor It is truly good, 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, for whose arrival we expectantly wait. With the crowds who cry, "Hosanna!" we humble ourselves before Him as the King who comes to save us from sin and redeem our lives for eternity. 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



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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Psalm 33:21*

Pastor Blessed are You, O Lord our God, for the mercy You show us in Jesus Christ, Your Son and our King. As we remember His death and resurrection and await His final coming, prepare our hearts to receive the redemption He provides through His body that is given and His blood that is shed for the forgiveness of sins.

Pastor For our heart is glad in Him,

People because we trust in His holy name.

Pastor Hear us as we pray in His holy name and in the timeless words He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

People Our Father who art in heaven,

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor 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 \times 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 \times 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

Pastor Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People Amen.

AGNUS DEI

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.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

✕ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ✕

COMMUNION HYMN 333 ONCE HE CAME IN BLESSING

1 Once He came in bless - ing, All our sins re -
 2 Now He gent - ly leads us; With Him - self He
 3 Soon will come that hour ——— When with might - y
 4 Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, From our sins re -
 dress - ing; Came in like - ness low - ly,
 feeds us Pre - cious food from heav - en,
 pow - er Christ will come in splen - dor
 lease us. Keep our hearts be - liev - ing,
 Son of God most ho - ly; Bore the cross to
 Pledge of peace here giv - en, Man - na that will
 And will judg - ment ren - der, With the faith - ful
 That we, grace re - ceiv - ing, Ev - er may con -
 save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
 nour - ish Souls that they may flour - ish.
 shar - ing Joy be - yond com - par - ing.
 fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

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COMMUNION HYMN 350 COME, THOU PRECIOUS RANSOM, COME



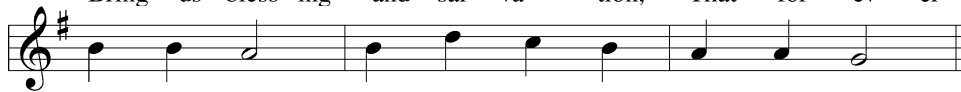
1 Come, Thou pre - cious Ran - som, come, On - ly hope for
 2 En - ter now my wait - ing heart, Glo - rious King and
 3 My ho - san - nas and my palms Gra - cious - ly re -
 4 Hail! Ho - san - na, Da - vid's Son! Je - sus, hear our



sin - ful mor - tals! Come, O Sav - ior of the world!
 Lord most ho - ly. Dwell in me and ne'er de - part,
 ceive, I pray Thee; Ev - er - more, as best I can,
 sup - pli - ca - tion! Let Thy king - dom, scep - ter, crown,



O - pen are to Thee all por - tals. Come, Thy beau - ty
 Though I am but poor and low - ly. Ah, what rich - es
 Sav - ior, I will hom - age pay Thee, And in faith I
 Bring us bless - ing and sal - va - tion, That for - ev - er



let us see; Anx - ious - ly we wait for Thee.
 will be mine When Thou art my guest di - vine!
 will em - brace, Lord, Thy mer - it through Thy grace.
 we may sing: Hail! Ho - san - na to our King.

Text: Johann Gottfried Olearius, 1635–1711; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Tune: Neu-verfertigtes Darmstädtisches Gesang-Buch, 1699, Darmstadt Text and tune: Public domain

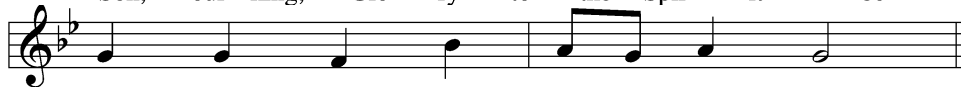
POST COMMUNION CANTICLE 332 SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS, COME



△ 8 Glo - ry to the Fa - ther sing, Glo - ry to the



Son, our king, Glo - ry to the Spir - it be



Now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood.

People **Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of waiting that, on the Day of His coming, we may rejoice forever as those You have made guiltless in Your sight;**

Pastor through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *Psalm 33:22; Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,

People **even as we hope in You.**

Pastor 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.
 People Amen.

SENDING HYMN 338 COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy peo - ple free;
 2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!

From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
 By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;

Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

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AS WE DEPART

Welcome to the season of waiting! Not only is Advent a period of preparation for Jesus' first coming at Christmas, but this sacred season readies our hearts for Jesus' ultimate coming: when He, as King of kings and Lord of lords, returns in power and glory on the Last Day, when every knee will bow before Him and every eye will see Him as the One who reigns in sovereign majesty over all things. Until His ultimate revealing on that Day, we wait for Him in confident faith, strengthened by His Word and Meal, trusting His promise to make us guiltless in His sight. With the expectant people of old, may our worship together lead us to say: "Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield" (Psalm 33:20).

Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series B, Quarter 1.
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PRAYERS

Please remember these people in your personal prayers.

Members with health concerns:

Jeanette Bunting	Millie Kroll	Lloyd Wessels
Phyllis Dunger	JP Dunger	Bettye Johnson
Melodie Bradley	Don Richter	Dorothy Herrod
Kimberly Brinkerhoff	Zac Dodge	Siri Richter
Joann Wessels Rook	Mike McKenzie	Pete Smykla
Lynne Russell	Sherry Reed	Waymond Meins

The family of Tristan Dunger on the passing of her grandmother
Cooper Kemp, (Karen's & Bill's grandson) concussion
Gene Forrest, recovering from shoulder surgery
Danny Forrest, heart problems
Carroll Sanders, friend of Pat Baughman, in burn unit in VA Hospital in Little Rock
Randy Thorpe, Cathy Webb's brother, recovering from open heart surgery and CLL (Leukemia)
Kasen Harris, Grandson of Carol Michael's best friend, health concerns
Candace Hogue, lung cancer
William Hogue, Betty Bennett Carter Johnson's son-in-law, major stroke
Amy Ingle, (a Pastor friend's wife) - breast cancer
James Marshall-Jernigan, Chronic Myeloid Leukemia
Emmett Jernigan - healing from colon surgery
Desiree Kuhs, friend of Melodie Bradley, brain tumor and a rare disease called Wegners
Melodie Bradley's cousin, Lindsay, cancer
David Witt, cousin of Bill Witt, cancer
Kathryn Lincecum, daughter of Siri & Don Richter—heart & health concerns
Ginger Burrer Segner, cancer
Lisa Sayers, mother of missing daughter Sam, has breast cancer for the 3rd time
Prayers for people needing silent prayer requests.
Sharon Niswonger, Cancer
Prayers for the Sayers family for answers, on their missing daughter Sam
Vanessa Upton, friend of Lynne Russell's, metastatic breast cancer, spot on her lung, getting
treatment.
Rev. Michael Harnack Pastor in Burbank Cal. Has been diagnosed with an autoimmune
disease called CIDP
Ruby Green, health concerns
Georgetta Gregory, health concerns
Princella Gardner, cancer
Linda Morris, Cancer
Linda Eubank, cancer
Dan & Betty Rice
Monte Coleman, health concerns
Prayers for those on our hearts

Care givers - For the family and friends who provide care and support for the ill and shut-ins.
For our congregations, our members, our nation, all Military and their families, 1st Responders,
Firemen, Police and for Pine Bluff, all those around the world in need of prayers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our worship video:

Worship service on <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnkah2JqGwLLDiudmTBDQaGQ>

Elder's meeting today after worship

Thank you to everyone who stayed and helped with our advent decorating.

Pastor preaches in Crossett tonight

6:30 Wednesday is our 1st Mid-week Advent worship

Thursday, 10:00 Bible Study

Thursday at 12:00 Mary Guild Christmas Party

It is time for the Lutheran Witness subscriptions to be renewed. The church pays for the subscription, and we ask the members to make a donation towards the subscriptions. The cost is still \$15.00

Flower sign-up sheets for 2024 are on the table in the Narthex. Price will be \$35.00 in 2024

Poinsettia sign-up sheets are out. Please sign up. They are \$15.00 each and we will be having White Poinsettias

Trinity notebooks are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick one up

2024 Calendars from Ralph Robinson Funeral Home are available for pickup on the table in the Narthex.

Pictures for our new photo directory are taking place on Sundays. If you cannot make it on a given Sunday, make arrangements with Pastor or Donna to have one done during the week.

Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship. Thank You!



In His Service This Week
December 3rd–December 10th

Sunday, December 3rd, 1st Sunday in Advent

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
10:45 Worship w/communion
12:00 Elder's Meeting
5:00 Worship in Crossett

Wednesday, December 6th

6:30 Mid-Week Advent worship

Thursday, December 7th

10:00 Bible Study
12:00 Mary Guild Christmas Party

Sunday, December 10th, 2nd Sunday in Advent

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
10:45 Worship with Communion

Text for next Sunday - Is. 40:1-11
2 Peter 3:8-14
Mark 1:1-8

Attendance: SS/ABC - 18 **Worship:** - 39 **Online - 7**

The Flowers that grace our altar this morning are provided by Lura Campbell "In Memory of Bobbie Cunningham Dewey's Birthday"

