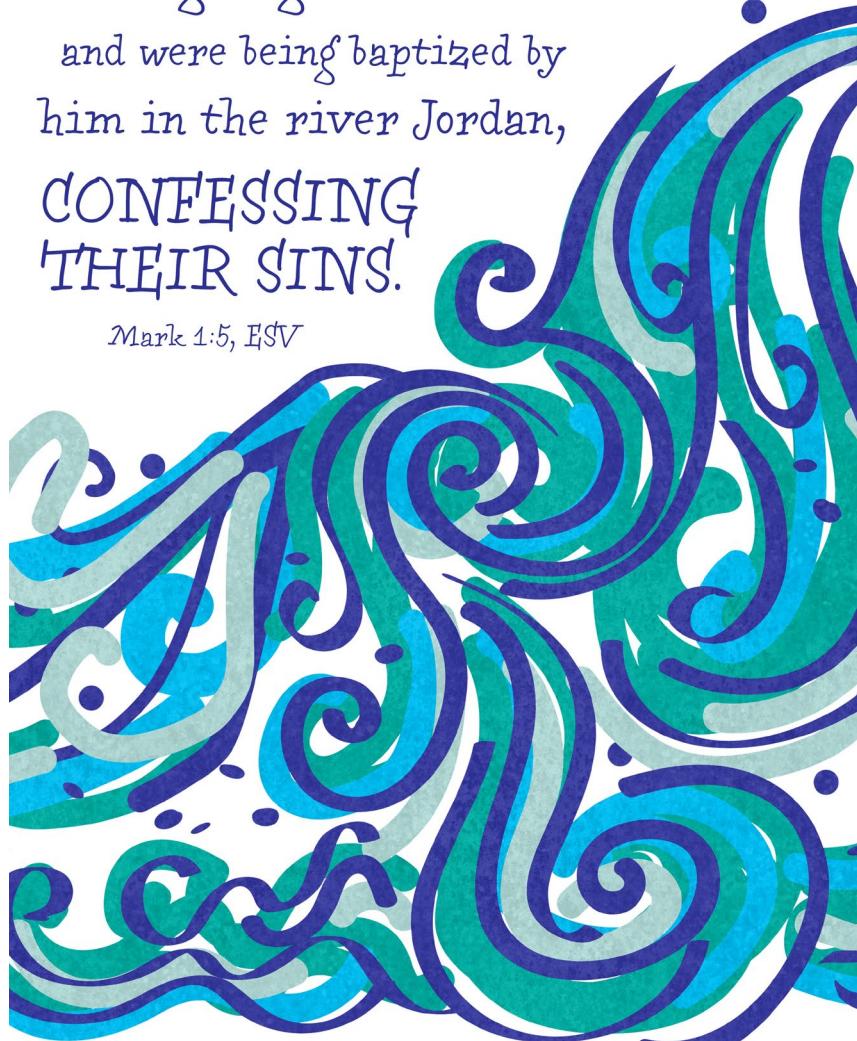


Second Sunday in Advent

December 10, 2023

And all...
were going out to [John]
and were being baptized by
him in the river Jordan,
**CONFESSING
THEIR SINS!**

Mark 1:5, 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.

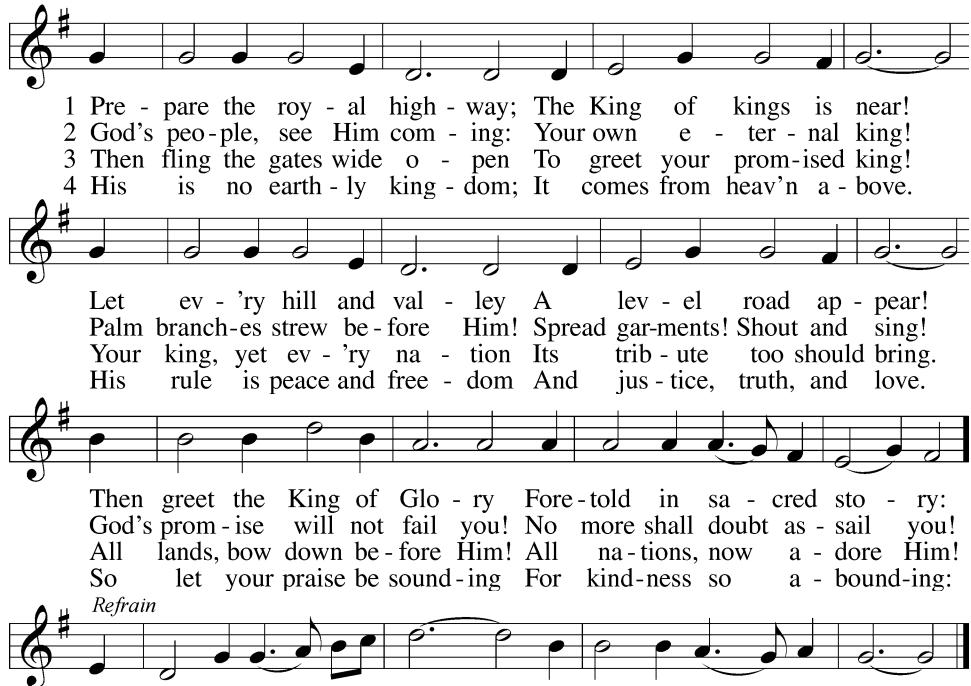
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
We Are Waiting because He Is Patient
December 10, 2023

AS WE GATHER

Advent is the season of waiting! As we await Christ's coming again in power and glory, we know that the time we are given before that great Day is due to the Lord's patience. "The Lord . . . is patient toward you," says Peter (2 Peter 3:9). Why? More time before Christ's return as King and Judge means more opportunities for us to share the life-giving Gospel with all the world. As people hear the message of Christ, repenting of their sin and turning to Him in faith, more souls will be brought into God's eternal kingdom. And because He is working His wonders of salvation, we rejoice in Him and receive from Him all He seeks to give!

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN 343 PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY



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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INVOCATION

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

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 27:13–14; 130:5*

Pastor I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!
People Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!
Pastor I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
People and in His word I hope.

CONFSSION AND ABSOLUTION *Based on Psalm 130*

- Pastor With hope in the Lord's promises of renewal by His Word and Spirit, let us together confess our sins to Him.
- People **Out of the depths I cry to You, Lord!**
- Pastor Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to my pleas for mercy!
- People **If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, I would have no hope.**
- Pastor But with You there is forgiveness, therefore we place our trust in You.
- People **Restore us, Lord God, and set us free from our sins.**
- Pastor Renew us in Your hope, that we may wait for Your salvation.
- People **Because of Your steadfast love for us in Christ, redeem us from all our iniquities.**
Amen.
- Pastor As we wait for Jesus' final coming, we place our hope and our confidence in the promises of His Word and find our home in the presence of His Spirit. Confessing our sins and turning away from them through lives of repentance, we are assured again this day of the Lord's steadfast love and plentiful redemption for us. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- People **Amen.**

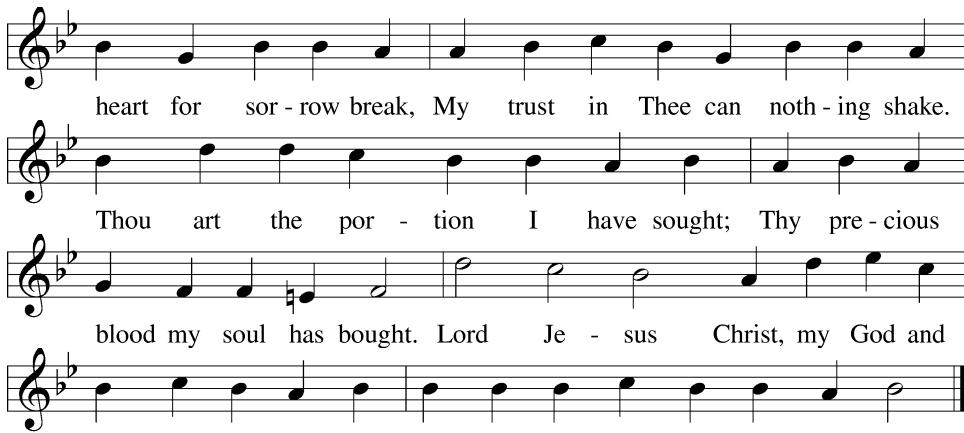
+ WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 80:1, 8a, 9b, 7; antiphon: v. 3*

- Pastor Restore us, O God;
- People **let Your face shine, that we may be saved!**
- Pastor Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock!
- People **You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.**
- Pastor You brought a vine out of Egypt;
- People it took deep root and filled the land.
- Pastor Restore us, O God of hosts;
- People **let Your face shine, that we may be saved!**
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 Restore us, O God;
- People **let Your face shine, that we may be saved!**

KYRIE 708 LORD, THEE I LOVE WITH ALL MY HEART

1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from
me de - part, With ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth
has no plea - sure I would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were
void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near me. And should my



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SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son,

People that by His coming we may be found in Him, fully redeemed and at peace;

Pastor 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 40:1-11 (The Lord comes to comfort and pardon His people.)

¹Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,

and cry to her

that her warfare is ended,

that her iniquity is pardoned,

that she has received from the LORD's hand

double for all her sins.

³A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴Every valley shall be lifted up,

and every mountain and hill be made low;

the uneven ground shall become level,

and the rough places a plain.

⁵And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,

and all flesh shall see it together,

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

⁶A voice says, "Cry!"

And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All flesh is grass,

and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.
7The grass withers, the flower fades
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;
surely the people are grass.
8The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.
9Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good news;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah,
“Behold your God!”
10Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
11He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms;
he will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 2 Peter 3:8-14 (The Lord is patient toward you.)

8But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. 10But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. 11Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, 12waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! 13But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. 14Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:1-8 (The messenger prepares the way of the Lord.)

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

People Glory to You, O Lord.

¹The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

²As it is written in Isaiah the prophet,

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face,

 who will prepare your way,

³the voice of one crying in the wilderness:

 'Prepare the way of the Lord,
 make his paths straight,'"

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY 344 ON JORDAN'S BANK THE BAPTIST'S CRY

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 - urge
4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the

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

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.

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YOUNG PEOPLE MESSAGE

SERMON Mark 1:1-14 "Are you Listening"

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

OFFERTORY 781 WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive
All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Pastor As we wait in love for the coming of our Lord, let us together, as His advent people, bring our prayers before Him.
Father in heaven, You prepare a heavenly home for all who trust in You and come into Your presence through faith in Your Son. By His coming into this world to save us from the devastation of our sins, dying and rising again to make us eternally Yours, we have been reconciled to You. We praise You, Father, for this amazing gift of love and ask that Your Holy Spirit keep Your steadfast love secure in our hearts throughout our days of waiting. Come, Lord Jesus, our gracious King!
- People **To You alone our prayers we bring!**
Pastor Knowing that You have come once into this world, Lord Jesus, we are confident that You will come again. On that glorious Day when we are all gathered before You, when every knee will bow to You and every tongue confess Your holy name, we will receive the restoration of all things in heaven and on earth that Your Word has promised. Until Your final coming, O Lord, keep us secure in our salvation. Remind us that our waiting is because of Your patience, and that You call us to use this time we have been given to share Your precious Gospel with the world You died and rose again to save. Stir up the hearts of all who hear Your Word this day, that many will come to saving faith and experience the comfort of Your presence in their lives. Come, Lord Jesus, our gracious King!
- People **To You alone our prayers we bring!**
Pastor As wanderers in this land, O Lord, we experience various types of brokenness and pain, suffering and grief. We lift before You in prayer those we love, who are also loved by You. For those longing for food and shelter, grant Your mercy. For those needing protection and peace, grant Your Spirit. We pray for those in our families and connected to our family of faith who have special concerns of body and spirit, [especially . . .]. Grant that all who wander find their home in You alone, O Lord. Come, Lord Jesus, our gracious King!
- People **To You alone our prayers we bring!**
Pastor Comforting Spirit, fill our land, our homes, our workplaces, our schools, and all our interactions with others with Your blessings. Allow this season of waiting and preparation to refocus our hearts and minds upon Your mission for our congregation and for us as individual members of this household of faith. 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, “Come, Lord Jesus, our gracious King!”
- People **To You alone our prayers we bring!**
Pastor Confident in our coming King and Savior, we entrust our prayers into the good and gracious hands of our sovereign God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—who lives and

reigns, both 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, 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 be found by Him without spot or blemish and at peace 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 933 MY SOUL REJOICES



1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
bless-ing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Mighty and
ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have patiently shown mercy to us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

People We thank You for the homecoming You promise to all who come to You through faith in Jesus Christ. Send to us Your comforting Spirit as we joyfully remember our Redeemer and receive Him who comes to us in His body and blood. Amen.

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 \ddagger 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 \ddagger 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 The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.



+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

COMMUNION HYMN 347 COMFORT, COMFORT YE MY PEOPLE

1 "Com - fort, com - fort ye My peo - ple, Speak ye peace," thus
 2 Yea, her sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out each
 3 Hark, the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert
 4 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed; Make the rough - er

saith our God; "Com - fort those who sit in dark-ness, Mourning
 dark mis - deed; All that well de-served His an - ger He no
 far and near, Call - ing sin - ners to re - pen-tance, Since the
 plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be -

'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem
 more will see or heed. She hath suf - fered man - y a day,
 King - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o - bey!
 fits His ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry of the Lord

Of the peace that waits for them; Tell her that her
 Now her griefs have passed a - way; God will change her
 Now pre - pare for God a way; Let the val - leys
 Now o'er earth is shed a - broad, And all flesh shall

sins I cov - er And her war - fare now is o - ver."
 pin - ing sad - ness In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.
 rise to meet Him And the hills bow down to greet Him.
 see the to - ken That His Word is nev - er bro - ken.

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COMMUNION HYMN 619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR

1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
 3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell-ing, O bless - ed,

Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
 Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
 nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
 rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
 ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy

strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
 death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

Refrain

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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POST COMUNNION CANTICLE 344 ON JORDAN'S BANK THE BAPTIST'S CRY

△ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent
 sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther
 we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

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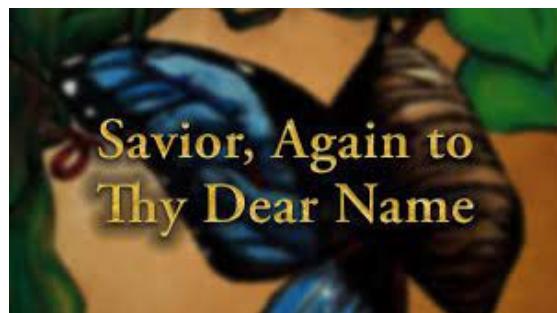
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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING *2 Peter 3:14*

- Pastor Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in steadfast love sent Your only-begotten Son into this world of sin, we thank You that for His sake You look upon us “without spot or blemish, and at peace.”
- People We praise You for Your patience and rejoice in Your redemption!
- Pastor We pray in the name of 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 130:5; Numbers 6:24–26*

- Pastor I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
 People and in His word I hope.
- 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 917 SAVIOR, AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME WE RAISE

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise
2 Grant us Thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
4 Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,

With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
With Thee be - gan, with Thee shall end, the day.
Turn Thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.
Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;

Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
From harm and dan - ger keep Thy chil - dren free;
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.
That in this house have called up - on Thy name.
For dark and light are both a - like to Thee.
Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

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PRAYERS

Please remember these people in your personal prayers.

Members with health concerns:

Jeanette Bunting
Phyllis Dunger
Melodie Bradley
Kimberly Brinkerhoff
Joann Wessels Rook
Lynne Russell

Millie Kroll
JP Dunger
Don Richter
Zac Dodge
Mike McKenzie
Sherry Reed

Lloyd Wessels
Bettye Johnson
Dorothy Herrod
Siri Richter
Pete Smykla
Waymond Meins

Pastor Marshall

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/UCnkah2JqGwLDiudmTBDQaGQ>

6:30 Wednesday is our 2nd Mid-week Advent worship

Newsletter Deadline this Wednesday

Thursday, 10:00 Bible Study

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

This is the last week to sign-up for a Poinsettia. 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 10th—December 17th

Sunday, December 10th, 2nd Sunday in Advent

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

10:45 Worship w/communion

Wednesday, December 13th

6:30 Mid-Week Advent worship

Thursday, December 14th

10:00 Bible Study

Sunday, December 17th, 3rd Sunday in Advent

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

10:45 Worship with Communion

12:00 Voters Meeting after worship

5:00 Worship in Crossett

Text for next Sunday - Is. 61:1-4, 8-11
 1 Thess. 5:16-24
 John 1:6-8, 19-28

Attendance: SS/ABC - 26

Worship: - 41

Online - 4

The Flowers that grace our altar this morning are provided by Gayle Montague "In memory of loved ones"

