

+The First Sunday in Advent+

November 28, 2021 | 8am



Behold, Your King is Coming to You...Lowly



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The Season of Advent

The Church year begins with Advent, the preparatory season before Christmas, starting with the Sunday nearest St. Andrew's Day, which is November 30th, the first Feast of the Church Year.

Advent is loan-word from Latin. It means 'coming.' All three "advents" of Christ are celebrated in this season. We look back in joyful remembrance to Christ's past Advent at Christmas, when the Word made flesh came to dwell among us. We give thanks for his present Advent among us in Word and Sacrament whereby, through these sacred means, he sustains us in repentance and faith until the Last Day, his future Advent in glory. We look forward to that Advent in hope.

The Season of Advent is one of the two penitential seasons of the Church year (seasons of *repentance*). Along with Lent, the color for Advent is *violet*: an ancient color for denoting royalty. It is also a color the Church has historically associated with mourning and repentance. Because of the solemn nature of penitential seasons, the *GLORIA IN EXCELSIS* is put away. We will sing it anew with the angels on Christmas Eve, who proclaim the Savior's birth to the Bethlehem shepherds. We will use Divine Service Setting Four for Advent and Lent.

When the bells ring, stand and face the cross.

Opening Hymn | 331 The Advent of Our King

Confession and Absolution

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

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

The Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 89:6, 14–16, 18; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.

*Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation.*

Who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?

Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD?

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,

who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,

who exult in your name all the day
and in your righteousness are exalted.

For our shield belongs to the LORD,

our king to the Holy One of Israel.



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

*Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation.*

Kyrie

LSB 204



☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 33:14–16

¹⁴“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

⁹What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ-ten that you may be-lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som

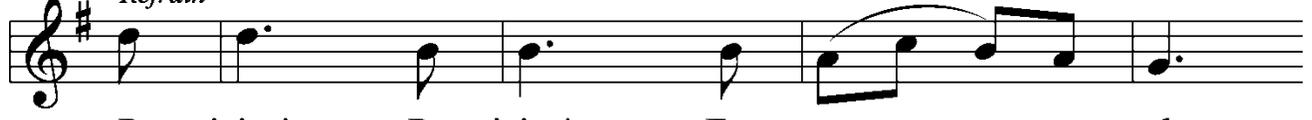


cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly



ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28–40

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁸When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” ³²So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” ³⁵And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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Sit

Hymn of the Day | 332 Savior of the Nations, Come

Sermon

*LITURGY NOTE: in the Season of Advent,
the Sermon shall open and close with this Responsory
prayed between Pastor and congregation:*

The Spirit and the Church cry out: **come, Lord Jesus!**

All those who await his appearance pray: **come, Lord Jesus!**

All creation pleads: **come, Lord Jesus!**

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus unto life everlasting!

Stand

The Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 208



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your boundless mercy You sent Your servant, John the Baptist, to proclaim that in Christ the kingdom of heaven draws near.

With thankful hearts we pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," confident that in His body and blood, given us to eat and drink, we receive the forgiveness of sins and so proclaim His death until He comes again in glory.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.**

The Words of Our Lord

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 T 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 T

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

Holy Communion at St. Paul

Our congregation confesses the bodily presence of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Altar. To care for those who are about to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord, the Altar is open to those baptized Christians who repent of their sins, have been catechized in the Faith, and are members of our congregation, another congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, or of another Church body with whom we are in fellowship. If you have not communed in a year or are visiting, please speak with one of our Pastors before communing today.

Thank you.

Distribution Hymn | 333 Once He Came in Blessing

Distribution Hymn | 334 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

Distribution Hymn | 337 The Night Will Soon Be Ending

Stand

The Dismissal

P The holy body and precious blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in the one true faith unto life +everlasting! Depart in peace. **Amen.**

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

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 **Amen.**

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

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 T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Hymn to Depart | 339 Lift Up Your Heads, You Everlasting Doors

The Donkey

*When fishes flew and forests walked
And figs grew upon thorn,
Some moment when the moon was blood
Then surely I was born.*

*With monstrous head and sickening cry
And ears like errant wings,
The devil's walking parody
On all four-footed things.*

*The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient crooked will;
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,
I keep my secret still.*

*Fools! For I also had my hour;
One far fierce hour and sweet:
There was a shout about my ears,
And palms before my feet.*

Announcements

St. Paul

Youth Choir. Sunday School kids have been practicing and will sing **November 28th** at the beginning of the second (10:15am) service. Please have your youth in the balcony to sing.

Noodles, encore. We are experiencing a genuine supply-shortage crisis...of Preble noodles. Demand is at an all time high and the Bazaar cleared us out of our most famous export. The world has asked; so the ladies have answered. Noodle-making will take place once again **Monday to Tuesday December 6 and 7th**. You are invited to help. Talk to Ladies' Aid for info.

The Ladies' Aid Christmas party will be held on **Thursday, December 16th at 6:30pm**. All members and guests and all helpers and guests are cordially invited. Members, please bring a gift for your guest. Please RSVP by December 8th to Sue Buuck, Connie Kreigh, or Kim Fravel.

Endowment Fund: submit Endowment Fund applications for Church-related projects to a representative of the Endowment Committee by the end of November.

Thank you. Wilda Scheumann is back home (after a short stay in Woodcrest). She would like to thank all for the cards, visits, and well-wishes.

Youth

Middle School Youth

Sunday, December 12, 12noon-4 p.m. – Caroling in Berne and Geneva

All youth are welcome to join us for lunch in the Bingen Parish Hall at 12noon, after which we will travel to Berne and Geneva for Christmas Caroling. Parents, please let Pastor Brock know if you can drive (pastorbrock@gmail.com).

Saturday, January 29; 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. – Northeast Indiana March for Life

Join thousands of pro-life advocates from our region as we march through downtown Fort Wayne to show that you support life from conception to natural death. The **March for Life** is an annual pro-life rally held near the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in *Roe v. Wade*. We will leave from Bingen's parking lot at 11 a.m. The rally begins at 12 p.m. at the University of St. Francis Performing Arts Center, and the march follows at 1 p.m.

High School Youth Activities

Sunday, December 5; 6-8:30 p.m. – Movie Night at Caston Home

Chris and Tina Caston will host another movie night at their home (1988 E. 900 N.; Decatur, IN 46733). Come and enjoy their home theater! Pizza and popcorn provided. Butter if you wish.

Sunday, December 12, 12noon-4 p.m. – Caroling in Berne and Geneva (see above)

Sunday, December 19; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Wyneken Service Night

Sunday, December 26 – No Youth Gathering

Sunday, January 2 – No Youth Gathering

Sunday, January 9; 6-8:30 p.m. – Movie Night at Caston Home

Chris and Tina Caston will host another movie night at their home (1988 E. 900 N.; Decatur, IN 46733). Come and enjoy their home theater! Pizza and popcorn provided. Butter if you wish.

Sunday, January 16; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Wyneken Service Night

January 19-23 – Washington D.C. March for Life

The current plan is to leave after school on Wednesday, January 27, and return Sunday evening, January 31. **If you want to go, inform Pastor Brock (pastorbrock@gmail.com) immediately and secure your spot with a \$200 deposit.** Because of the nature and expense of this trip, we need firm commitments. Thus, the deposit will only be refunded if the trip itself is cancelled or significant, extenuating circumstances (such as illness or death in the family) prevents your participation. **Total cost is \$500**, with the remaining \$300 after deposit due before we leave. **Please write checks to Oasis Youth.** Parents may call Pastor Brock with any questions, including how to communicate this to the student's school for an excused absence.

Wyneken

Wyneken Craft Show-Vendors Wanted: The Wyneken Craft Show is back!! We have vendor openings available for the craft show to be held on Saturday, **December 4**, 9am-2pm. Cost of booth rental is \$30 per table. If you are interested in participating or know someone who would be, please share this information. Contact person is Kathy at craftshow@wyneken.org, or call the school office at 260-639-6177 with your contact information.

SCRIP: Now through December 5, Scrip representatives (see below) will be accepting gift card donations for the Ronald McDonald House at Parkview Hospital. A box for this purpose will be available with each representative, including in the office, for you to give a gift card donation in any amount you choose. A Scrip representative will also be at the Craft Show.

SCRIP is a PTL (Parent Teacher League) ongoing fundraiser. Contact a SCRIP representative to place an order (Jennifer Faurete, St. Paul-Preble). A limited variety is available in the school office Monday-Friday 8am-3pm.

Teacher Subs, Aide Subs, Kitchen Subs, Custodian Subs, Daycare help Needed: If you are interested in being able to serve as a teacher sub, an aide sub and/or kitchen sub or custodian sub, or if you have a love for children and would like to help out in daycare, please call the school office at 260-639-6177 for information and to get an application. All applicants for the teacher sub position must have a valid sub teaching license with the state of Indiana. All applicants will also have to complete an Expanded Criminal Background Check.

Band boosters are selling Wyneken Wear! Get your items before the Christmas season! Orders are due by noon on Monday, Nov. 29. Find our online store at www.wyneken.org.

December Activities/Events: Dec 4, Craft Show, 9am-2pm; Dec 9, BOE meeting@7pm; Dec 14, Christmas Music Concert@6:30pm; Dec 21, Geography Bee@1:45pm; Dec 23-Jan 3, Christmas Break; Jan 4, School Resumes.

Advent at St. Paul

*On Sunday, November 28th, the Church enters the Season of Advent.
Over four Wednesdays, we will offer Advent Midweek Services at 7pm.*

This year, the theme of our Midweek meditation will be the Lord's Prayer.

Join us for the Mid-weeks in Advent:

Wednesday, December 1

The Introduction, 1st and 2nd Petitions

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Wednesday, December 8

The 3rd and 4th Petitions

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

Wednesday, December 15

The 5th and 6th Petitions

*Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation.*

Wednesday, December 22

The 7th Petition and the Conclusion

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



Advent

Christmas at St. Paul

We welcome you to share with us in the joy of our Savior's nativity!

Practice for our Children's program begins Sunday, November 28th in Sunday School.
Please have your children available for Sunday School starting 11/28
if they will be participants in the Christmas program.



The Season of Christmas will begin with the following Services:

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24, 7pm

Service of Lessons and Carols

with the recitation of the Christmas Gospel by the children of St. Paul

Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25, 9am

The Divine Service for Christmas Day

Feast of St. Stephen, Sunday, December 26, 9am

The First Sunday after Christmas

(Due to the dates of Christmas Eve/Day, we are having only one service this Sunday.

We will return to two services the following Sunday.)

The Eve of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus, December 31, 7pm

New Year's Eve

Prayer of the Church

- +**Those who mourn:** the family of Nora Rose Keuneke.
- +**The sick and recovering:** Evelyn Keuneke, John Schueler, Wilda Scheumann.
- +**The Homebound:** Edna Mesing, Faye Keuneke, Wilda Scheumann (Woodcrest Skilled Nursing); Marge Merriman (Woodcrest Assisted Living); Ken Schueler (home); Bonnie Gallmeyer (home); Ted Reinhart (home); Don Haines (home).
- + **Farmers,** safety and fair weather during the harvest.
- +**Military and Veterans.**
- +**Birthdays 11/28—12/4:** Jill Wefel, Jim Reinking, Ashlynn Williams, Jeff Keuneke, Megan Sloffer, Avery Gallmeyer, Robby Ehlerding, Gerry Bulmahn, Beth Reinhart, Tim Hoffman.

Attendance 11/21

Sunday 11/21

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Wednesday 11/24

Offerings 11/21

Need Weekly: \$7,487.69

Week/Plate: \$10,294.00

Online \$1,102.03

For the week: +\$3,908.34

For the year: -\$37,376.44

Acolytes 11/28

8am

Eli Steiner

10:15

Aiden Faurote

Weekly Calendar

- Sunday 11/28** **The First Sunday in Advent,** Services 8 and 10:15am
Bible Class/Sunday School 9:15am
Public school confirmation 11:30-12:30pm
- Wednesday 12/1** **Advent Midweek Vespers 1, 7pm**
- Thursday 12/2** St. Paul hosts Divine Service @ Woodcrest, 1:30pm
- Sunday, 12/5** **The Second Sunday in Advent,** Services 8 and 10:15am
Bible Class/Sunday School 9:15am
Public school confirmation 11:30-12:30pm
- Monday, 12/6** Noodle-making 6th—7th December
Elders Meeting 6pm, Council Meeting 7pm
- Tuesday 12/7** **Election/Budget Voters' Assembly, 7pm**