



The Second Sunday in Advent ~ December 4, 2022 ~ 11:00 am
Message: Pastor Joe Reineke

Welcome

Call to Worship **"Candle Carol"** by K. Lee Scott *Adult Choir*
(lyrics for reflection)

Advent candle, softly glowing; warmth and light diffusing 'round;
Symbol of our Savior's presence, Love from Heaven to earth come down.
Shedding glory, wondrous story of Christ Jesus' humble birth,
He from starry realms of heaven deigned to visit us on earth.

In this blessed, glorious season, time of beauty, joy, and peace,
Time of mercy, time of sharing, in our hearts your light increase.
Kindle loving. Kindle caring; pierce our gloomy, selfish night.
Lift our eyes on high to see you, Jesus Christ, true Light of light.

Advent candle, softly glowing, shining, glimmering on our sight;
Symbol of our Savior's presence, Jesus Christ, true Light of light.

Hymn 359 *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming*

Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the 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, 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 in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

Kyrie *LSB 204*

C Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.	To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—	For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.
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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.

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1–10, p.732

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Romans 15:4–13, p.1207

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Anthem *"And a Little Child Shall Lead Them"* by Roy Hopp *Adult Choir*
(lyrics for reflection)

The Lord has said a day will come when wolf and lamb will live in peace.
As God renews and mends the world, the leopard lies down with the kid,
The lion walks beside the calf.

And a little child shall lead them, a little child shall love them,
A little child shall show them the reign of God has come.

The Lord has said a day will come when even people are at peace;
And turning to the Lord, at last, they find the life they had not known,
But longed and looked and waited for.

And a little child shall lead them, a little child shall love them,
A little child shall show them the reign of God has come.

The Lord has said a day will come when earth is full of knowing God
As seas are full of water now; and in this knowing there is peace,
There is peace for all who dwell upon the earth.

And a little child shall lead them, a little child shall love them,
A little child shall show them the reign of God has come.

Alleluia and Verse

C♯ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1–12, p.1027

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn #344 *On Jordan's Bank The Baptist's Cry*

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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.**

Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

**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**

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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 #354 *Arise, O Christian People*

