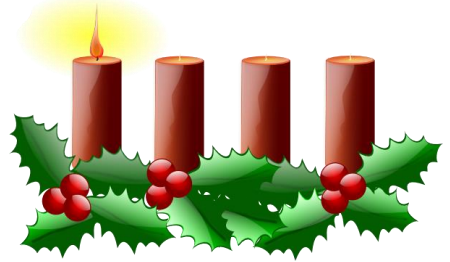


CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Advent 1 - Pastor Mark Voss - November 27, 2016

SERVICE OF THE WORD



LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

P: We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

C: In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.



O Lord, how shall I meet you, How welcome you a - right?



Your peo - ple long to greet you, My Hope, my heart's De - light.



O Je - sus, let your Word be A lamp to light my way,



To show me how to please you, To guide me ev - 'ry day.

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

Pause for silence

ALL: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless-ed are they who take
re-fuge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e-ter - nal; it stands firm in the
heav - ens. Your faith-ful-ness con - tin-ues for - ev-er. Oh, taste and see that the
Lord is good. Bless-ed are they who take re-fuge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

8a AFFIRMATION – We rejoice as Emma Jane Mosel, daughter of Luke & Tiffany Mosel is affirmed in her baptism.

THE WORD

Keep watch for the unexpected coming of Christ

Isaiah 2:1-5 – The Mountain of the Lord

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In the last days the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore. Come, O house of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia.

Revelation 22:20



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! These words are
writ-ten that we 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!

Matthew 24:37-44 – Ready Or Not Here I Come!

As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on

what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

SERMON HYMN - *"Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly"*

CW 484

SERMON

Take Time for Your Body

Acts 7:37-47

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁸Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off --for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation."

⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

⁴³Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles.

⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common.

⁴⁵Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.

⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,

⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING AND FRIENDSHIP REGISTER SIGNING

HYMN – *“Jesus Came, the Heavens Adorning”*

CW 26

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Eternal Father, throughout the centuries you repeated and affirmed your promise to send the offspring of the woman to crush the serpent’s head. Through your prophets of old, you continually directed the eyes of your people to the advent of their Savior.

C: We praise you, O Lord, for keeping your promise and sending your Son to destroy the works of the devil.

P: As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our King, use your mighty Word to shatter our pride and to rouse us from spiritual slumber and apathy.

C: Move us to take to heart the words of John: “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”

P: You sent your Son to redeem us from sin. Let this good news be our joy and strength. Use it to cheer the lonely, encourage the fearful, and give hope to the despairing. In these days before Christmas, spare us from the stress of deadlines and the frenzy of commercialism.

C: Fill our lives with the message of your peace and music of your grace.

P: Direct our eyes not only to the manger but also to the skies, where we will see your Son coming again, not as a lowly child but as the Lord of lords.

C: Lift up our hearts in joyful anticipation of that day.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

P: Come quickly, Lord Jesus, in your grace, in your power, and in your glory.

C: Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

CHILDREN'S LESSON

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace, live in harmony with one another, serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you his peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING VERSE – “Prepare the Royal Highway”

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Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is
near! Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap -
- pear! Then greet the King of glo - ry, Fore -
- told in sa - cred sto - ry Ho - san - na to the
Lord, For he ful-fills God's Word!

COR Calendar – November 27

Today	8a & 10:30a Family Worship 9:15a Fellowship, Bible Class & Sunday School Noon – Catechisim
Monday	7p Outreach
Wednesday	6-7:30p Advent Dinner and Devotion 6-6:45p Advent Dinner (Mexican Theme) 6:45-7:00p Clean-up 7p Devotion 7:30p Choir
Friday	6p Chili Cook-off
Sunday	8a & 10:30a Family Worship 9:15a Fellowship, Bible Class & Sunday School Noon – Catechism

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Please consider electronic giving. Scan the QR Code to the right or go to our website www.corchurch.com and click the “Online Donation” link to set up a one-time (such as our Mortgage Retirement Fund) or recurring offering.



“Blessings on the Tree” is the theme of this year’s Advent by Candlelight hosted by our COR Women’s Group. It will be held Saturday, December 3rd, and start with appetizers from 6-6:30p. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex to:

1. Host a Table
2. Bring an Appetizer
3. Attend this event – please bring a guest!

FOOD DRIVE: The youth of our congregation are hosting a non-perishable food drive. Please bring items (most requested: peanut butter, coffee, canned meat, canned tuna, cooking oil and granola bars) to COR by Friday, December 16th. Thank you!

THANK YOU! Through your generosity our school has purchased a Smart Board for the 3-5th grade classroom. Your continued support to the School Technology Fund is appreciated.

You can also support our school by liking us on Facebook or following us on Instagram. Additionally:

A King Sooper’s reloadable gift card can be purchased from the office for \$5. COR earns 5% on purchases when you reload. The gift card can also be used at their gas stations.

Designate COR as your school of choice when you shop at Target. Go to www.target.com/tcoe.

If you make any purchases on Amazon, first go to smile.amazon.com/ch/84-0584348 to select COR.

LIVING NATIVITY: There is a poster in the narthex where you can help with this event. It will be held Friday and Saturday, December 9-10 from 5:30-6:30p. Your help is appreciated!

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website corchurch.com and click on Video Broadcast.
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