

Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Advent One - December 2, 2018

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**In those day and
at that time
I will make
a righteous
Branch
sprout from
David's line.**



Jeremiah 33:15

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“Sunday Mornings With the Prophets”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

P: As men of old waited in anticipation of the day when the Messiah would come, and prepared their minds to receive him, so we would cleanse our minds of evil thoughts that he might enter in.

C: Oh come, Oh come, Emmanuel, come into our minds today!

P: As they longed for the day when God would reveal himself through his Son, and prepared their hearts to receive him, so we would seek to purify our hearts that he might enter in.

C: Oh come, Oh come, Emmanuel, come into our hearts today!

P: As they listened to the prophets foretell the coming of the Prince of Peace, and prepared their lives to receive him, so we would remove hatred and strife from our lives that he might enter in.

C: Oh come, Oh come, Emmanuel, come into our lives today!

OPENING CAROL – “Oh, Come, Oh, Come Emmanuel”

CW 23

PSALM OF CONFESSION – PSALM 51

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unending love.

C: Wash away all my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

P: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

ALL: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

P: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

C: Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

P: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquity.

C: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and grant me a willing spirit to sustain me.

ALL: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

ABSOLUTION P: In the peace of forgiveness we praise our Savior King!

SONG OF PRAISE – “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”

CW 19 vv 1-3

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O Lord, how shall I meet you, How wel - come you a -
Love caused your in - car - na - tion; Love brought you down to
Re - jice, then you sad - heart - ed, Let not your souls dis -



- right? Your peo - ple long to greet you, My hope, my heart's De -
me. Your thirst for my sal - va - tion Pro - cured my lib - er -
- tress; Who mourn o'er joys de - part - ed And trem - ble at your



- light. O Je - sus, let your Word be A lamp to light my
- ty. Oh, love be - yond all tell - ing That led you to em -
doom. De - spair not; he is near you, He's stand - ing at the



way, To show me how to please you, To guide me ev - 'ry day.
- brace In love, all love ex - cel - ling, Our lost and fall - en race!
door Who best can help and cheer you And bids you weep no more.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

P: We light one Advent candle, remembering Jesus, who is coming again. He will come to gather his people from everywhere, both the living and dead.

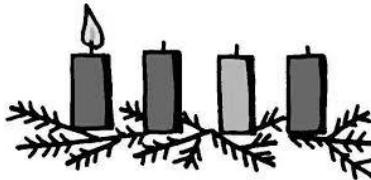
C: We remember Jesus, who will come at the end of time. None of us know what day that will be.

P: We hear his call to watch.

C: We light one Advent candle as a sign of our watchfulness and waiting.

P: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest.

C: Through your Word and Spirit may our souls be blessed.



God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT – Jeremiah 33:14-16 – *God's family tree is branching out*

¹⁴ “‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

¹⁵ “‘In those days and at that time

I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line;
he will do what is just and right in the land.

¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved
and Jerusalem will live in safety.

This is the name by which it will be called:

The Lord Our Righteous Savior.’

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia.

Revelation 22:20

GOSPEL – Matthew 21:1-9 - *Jesus comes in humility*

¹ As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.”

⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

⁵ “Say to Daughter Zion, ‘See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

SERMON HYMN – “*Behold, a Branch is Growing*”

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Be - hold, a Branch is grow - ing Of love - liest form and grace, As
I - sa - iah had fore - told it In words of prom - ise sure, And
The shep - herds heard the sto - ry Pro - claimed by an - gels bright, How
This flow'r so small and ten - der, With fra - grance fills the air; His
O Sav - ior, Child of Mar - y, Who felt our hu - man woes, O



proph - ets sang, fore - know - ing; It springs from Jes - se's race And bears one lit - tle
Mar - y's arms en - fold it, A vir - gin meek and pure. Through God's e - ter - nal
Christ, the Lord of glo - ry, Was born on earth this night To Beth - le - hem they
bright - ness ends the dark - ness That kept the earth in fear. True God and yet true
Sav - ior King of glo - ry, Who con - quered all our foes, Bring us at last, we



flow'r In midst of cold - est win - ter, At deep - est mid - night hour.
will This child to her is giv - en At mid - night calm and still.
sped And in the man - ger found him, As an - gel her - alds said.
man. He came to save his peo - ple From earth's dark night of sin.
pray, To the bright courts of heav - en And to the end - less day.

SUNDAY MORNINGS WITH THE PROPHETS

Jeremiah – God’s Family Tree is Branching Out

Based on the Old Testament Lesson on page 3

CONFESSION OF FAITH –The meaning of the Second Article

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.

All this he did that I should be his own and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.

OFFERING AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

The Order of Lord’s Supper

Our church practices membership communion.

**We ask that only members of our church body, the Wisconsin Lutheran Synod,
partake of the sacrament.**

PRAYER

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PEACE OF THE LORD

Sing:

“Come, Share the Lord”

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He joins us here; He breaks the bread. The Lord who pours the cup is ris - en
We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing; We'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and
from the dead. The one we love the most Is now our gra - cious host:
com - ing King. Now we an - tic - i - pate The feast for which we wait:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.
Come, take the bread, come, drink the cup; come, share the Lord.

DISTRIBUTION AND CAROL – *“The Advent of Our King”*

CW 1

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BLESSING

CLOSING REPSONSE

“What Can I Give Him”

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What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shep-herd
I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise-man I would do my part;
Yet what can I give Him? Give Him my heart.

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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 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.
- As a member of Christ Our Redeemer we are connected to each other through our unity of faith and the public confession of that faith in Lord's Supper. To read what our profession of faith is, go to www.corchurch.com and click on "Our Beliefs" or take a copy of the tract "What We Believe" in the Visitor Information Center kiosk. To become a member of our church family, please speak with the pastor.