

Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Advent One - December 1, 2019

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ADVENT WATCHWORDS

GRACE

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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 unfailing 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 – Genesis 7:11-23 – *Listen for God's Grace*

¹¹ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. ¹² And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

¹³ On that very day Noah and his sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, together with his wife and the wives of his three sons, entered the ark. ¹⁴ They had with them every wild animal according to its kind, all livestock according to their kinds, every creature that moves along the ground according to its kind and every bird according to its kind, everything with wings. ¹⁵ Pairs of all creatures that have the breath of life in them came to Noah and entered the ark. ¹⁶ The animals going in were male and female of every living thing, as God had commanded Noah. Then the Lord shut him in.

¹⁷ For forty days the flood kept coming on the earth, and as the waters increased they lifted the ark high above the earth. ¹⁸ The waters rose and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. ¹⁹ They rose greatly on the earth, and all the high mountains under the entire heavens were covered. ²⁰ The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than fifteen cubits., ²¹ Every living thing that moved on land perished—birds, livestock, wild animals, all the creatures that swarm over the earth, and all mankind. ²² Everything on dry land that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. ²³ Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out; people and animals and the creatures that move along the ground and the birds were wiped from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those with him in the ark.

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 24:37-44 – *As in the days of Noah, so Jesus is coming with grace*

³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ 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; ³⁹ 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. ⁴⁰ Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

⁴² "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. ⁴³ 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. ⁴⁴ So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

SERMON HYMN – "The Advent of Our King"

CW 1

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The ad - vent of our King Our prayers must now em - ploy, And
The ev - er - last - ing Son In - car - nate deigns to be, Him -
O Zi - on's Daugh - ter, rise To meet your low - ly King, Nor
As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come a - gain And
Be - fore the dawn - ing Day Let sin's dark deeds be gone, The
All glo - ry to the Son, Who comes to set us free, With

we must hymns of wel - come sing In strains of ho - ly joy.
- self a ser - vant's form puts on To set his ser - vants free.
let a faith - less heart de - spise The peace he comes to bring.
his true mem - bers all u - nite With him in heav'n to reign.
sin - ful self be put a - way, The new self now put on.
Fa - ther, Spir - it, ev - er one Through all e - ter - nit - y.

ADVENT WATCHWORDS

Grace

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.

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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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – December 1

Today	8 & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School & Christmas Practice 11:30a Budget & Elections Voters Meeting 12-1:30p Catechism Class
Monday	8:30a Trimming the Christmas Tree
Tuesday	6:30p Facility in Use
Wednesday	6-6:45p Advent Dinner – Soup Supper 7p Advent Devotion 7:30p Choir
Thursday	8a Bible Study
Sunday	8 & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School & Christmas Practice 9:15a Finance Board Meeting 12-1:30p Catechism Class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Budget & Elections Quarterly Meeting: All are invited to join us today at 11:30a as we meet to vote on a 2020 budget and leaders for 2020. Look for additional information in our weekly COR updates, or contact your elder.

Offering Envelopes: Your 2020 Offering Envelopes were placed in your COR mailboxes prior to Thanksgiving. Please make certain to pick them up.

Christmas Tree Trimming: Please speak to Pastor Voss if you can help with putting up our Christmas Tree tomorrow, Monday, December 2nd, at 8:30a.

RMLHS Christmas Concert: Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School will hold their annual Christmas Concert on Friday, December 13th, at 7p. The concert is free and doors open at 6p. The concert, “*A Light in the Darkness*”, will be held at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 12021 Northaven Circle, Thornton, CO.

LIVING NATIVITY Saturday and Sunday December 14 and 15 from 5-7:00p

Please come and spend a little quiet time listening to the beautiful Christmas message. Help is also needed, see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

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Worship services Sundays
at 8 and 10:30a (Summer
Worship at 9a) and Thursdays
at 7p

Bible Study and Sunday School
at 9:15a



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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.