MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE Your King Is Coming! Dec. 5, 2018 6:30 pm

JESUS: King of Shame!



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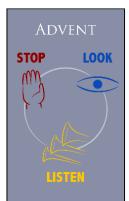


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WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*



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In the season of Advent we pray that Jesus, the Sun of Righteousness, will bring light to the darkening world. We hear with joy the prophetic word "*Your King is coming to you,*" and we embrace the hope that it brings. Through our worship we find enlightenment as we prepare our hearts and lives for the coming of our eternal King. Together we walk in the path of holiness because the King who is coming to us has covered our shame and bids us welcome Him. The season of Advent calls to us to stop, look, and listen for the Lord.

PRELUDE

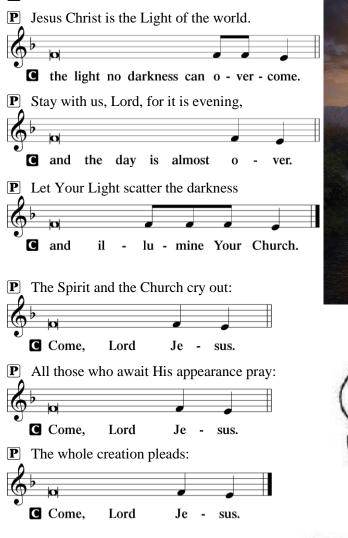


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INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES OF EVENING PRAYER

P In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.









PHOS HILARON — Hymn of Light



THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, king of the universe, who led Your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ; may His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for You are merciful, and You love Your whole creation and we, Your creatures, glorify You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



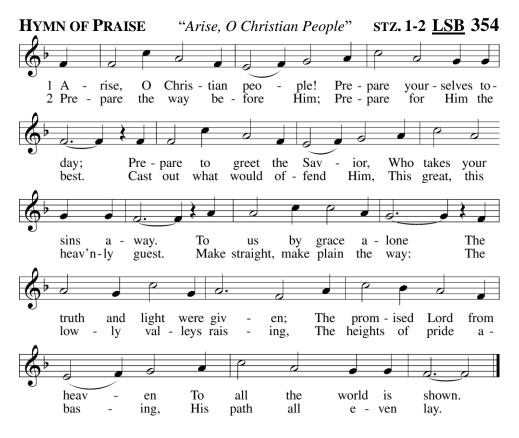
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THEME SEQUENCE

▶ Every time we see the word *stop*, such as at a street corner or a construction site, we automatically slow down and reflect on where we are and what we are doing. Peter writes that as we stop, look, and listen for the final Advent of our Lord, we ought to be living lives of *"holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God."*

As we stop what we are doing in our lives to experience the blessings of the Advent season, we take time to prepare for the coming of the Lord into our hearts, homes, and worship. Our preparation takes thought and effort as we rise to meet our coming King. We sing a great hymn of Advent, written by Valentin Thilo in the middle of the seventeenth century, expressing that in a prayerful way.



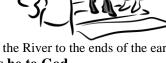
OLD TESTAMENT READING

L The Old Testament Reading for our Midweek Advent Service is from Zechariah, chapter nine.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem: and the battle bow shall be cut off.

and he shall speak peace to the nations;



his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. **C** Thanks be to God. **L** O Lord, have mercy upon us.

EPISTLE READING

L The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter three.

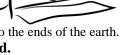
Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by

the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself.

L O Lord, have mercy upon us. C Thanks be to God.

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Zechariah 9:9–10



Philippians 3:17–21



PSALMODY

P Hear these words of Psalm twenty-five: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord! Good and upright is the Lord; forgiven therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Who is the man who fears the Lord? Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose. His soul shall abide in well-being, and his offspring shall inherit the land. The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant. My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for he will pluck my feet out of the net. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart are enlarged;

bring me out of my distresses.

Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

Consider how many are my foes,

and with what violent hatred they hate me.

Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!

Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. May integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for you. Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.



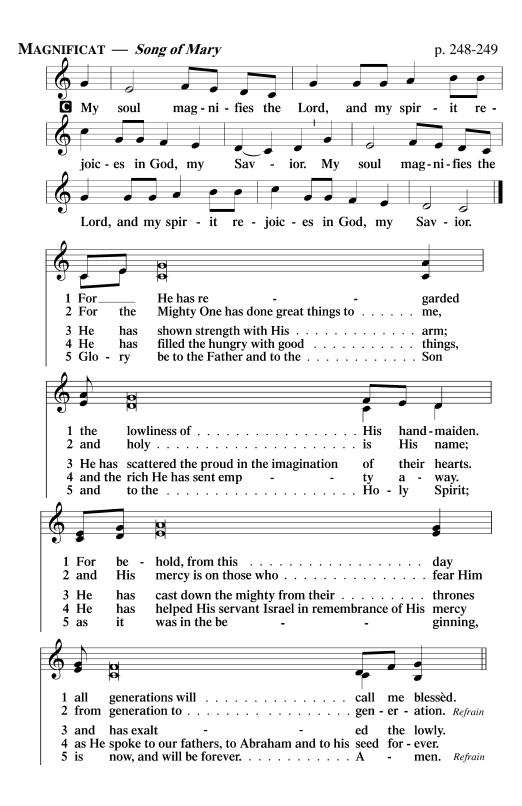
P In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
C But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

SERMON HYMN "Jesus! And shall it ever be, A mortal man ashamed of Thee? Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise,	<i>nd Shall It Ever Be</i> " <u>TLH</u> 346 Ashamed of Jesus, that dear Friend On whom my hopes of heav'n depend? No; when I blush, be this my shame,		
Whose glories shine through endless days?	That I no more revere His name.		
Ashamed of Jesus? Sooner far	Ashamed of Jesus? Yes, I may		
Let evening blush to own a star.	When I've no guilt to wash away,		
He sheds the beams of light divine	No tear to wipe, no good to crave,		
O'er this benighted soul of mine.	No fear to quell, no soul to save.		
Ashamed of Jesus? Just as soon	Till then—nor is the boasting vain—		
Let midnight be ashamed of noon.	Till then I boast a Savior slain;		
'Tis midnight with my soul till He,	And oh, may this my portion be,		
Bright Morning Star, bids darkness flee.	That Christ is not ashamed of me!		

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SERMON "Your King Is Coming! Jesus: King of Shame!"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

Please stand...



US AS WE

LORD'S PRAYER

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- P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- **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;

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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.

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COLLECT FOR EVENING {spoken by Pastor}

COLLECT FOR PEACE {spoken by Pastor}

