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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the Service, or call during the week.

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Divine Service ~ Setting 3 (adapted) The First Sunday in Advent December 2, 2018 - 9:30 am

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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While the secular calendar won't switch to 2019 for another month, the Church Year begins anew today. Advent is a season of waiting and preparation. One Advent tradition is to mark the four Sundays in Advent with four words that encompass what Jesus brings as He comes into the world to be our Immanuel—*God with us.* These four words are *hope*, *peace, joy*, and *love*. Today we focus on hope. There is a lot of suffering in the world, but hope exists in Christ's incarnation, death, resurrection, and return.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

- \blacksquare In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. \blacksquare Amen.
- P Christ our King is coming soon!
- **C** He is coming soon indeed! Alleluia!
- **P** God came to Adam and Eve after they had sinned.
- **C** He clothed them, hiding their shame.
- **P** God came to Israel when they were enslaved in Egypt.
- **C** He delivered them out of the house of slavery.
- P Christ was born into our world.
- C He cast out demons, healed our diseases, and preached good news to the poor.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{P}}$ Christ came into Jerusalem on a donkey.
- **C** And He died and rose again for us and for our salvation.
- **P** Christ promised He will come again.
- **C** We wait for His return and the resurrection of the dead.
- P Christ our King is coming soon!
- **C** He is coming soon indeed! Alleluia!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

- ▶ On the four Sundays in Advent, we light a new candle each week. We mark the four candles with these four words: hope, peace, joy, and love.
- **C** These words are words of promise as God leads us to the celebration of Christmas, truly: Christ our King is coming soon.
- \mathbf{P} Jesus Christ is the hope of the nations.
- **C** We wait for the Lord, and in His Word do we hope.



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First Sunday in Advent





CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

▶ In the season of Advent, we prepare for Jesus to come. We await the celebration of His birth at Christmas. We remember His arrival in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We long for His glorious return. As we wait, we consider how unworthy we are to have Jesus in our presence. Thus, let us humbly confess our sins...

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.

P Heavenly Father,

C we confess that our faith has been lacking. We have not abounded in love for one another or for You. Our hearts are filled with blame and shame, with corruption and conceit. Forgive us, strengthen our faith, and purify our hearts.

- ▶ Jesus not only comes as an infant at Christmas and in glory at His return, but He also comes to you in words of forgiveness and life. Hear these words of forgiveness, for they are from Christ Himself: 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.
- Amen. "Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT PRAYER

 $\sum \mathbf{P}$ 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.



Please be seated



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

L The Old Testament Reading for The First Sunday in Advent is from Jeremiah, chapter thirty-three.

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and He shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness."

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

I Thessalonians 3:9–13

L The Epistle is from First Thessalonians, chapter three.

For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰ as we

pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? ¹¹Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹² and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³ so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.

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HOLY GOSPEL

st Luke 19:28-40

P The Holy Gospel according to st Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

G Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

When Jesus had said these things, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet He cent two of the disciples ³⁰ gaving "Co into the village in front of

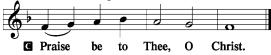
Olivet, He sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it." ³² So those who were sent went away and found it just as He had told them. ³³ And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ And they said, "The Lord has need of it." ³⁵ And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ And as He rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As He was drawing near —





already on the way down the Mount of Olives — the whole multitude of His disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, "*Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!*" ³⁹ And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Him, "*Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.*" ⁴⁰ He answered, "*I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.*"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated (we will stand for the final stanza of the hymn)

HYMN OF THE DAY	"Savior	r of the Na	tions, Come"	<u>LSB</u> 332	
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5 God the Father was His source, 7 From the manger newborn light					

- Back to God He ran His course. Into hell His road went down, Back then to His throne and crown.
- 6 For You are the Father's Son Who in flesh the vict'ry won.By Your mighty pow'r make whole All our ills of flesh and soul.
- From the manger newborn light
 Shines in glory through the night.
 Darkness there no more resides;
 In this light faith now abides.
- ▲ 8 Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king, Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.

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Please stand...

CREED The Nicene Creed **P** We profess our faith together... С I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead. whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition concludes: "Lord, in Your mercy" Congregational response: "**hear our prayer.**")

SHARING THE PEACE

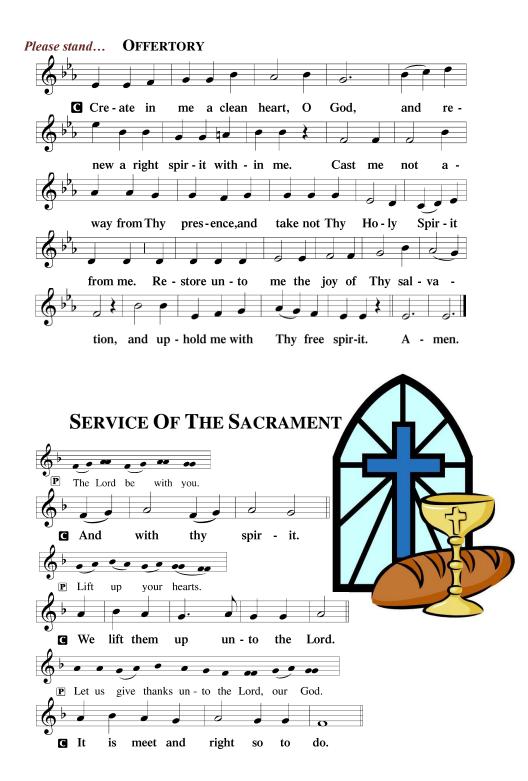
We greet one another with the grace of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," for reconciliation and unity of the Spirit.

Please be seated as music starts

OFFERING

As the Offering is gathered, please sign the attendance folder near the center aisle and pass it to the person sitting next to you.

MUSICAL OFFERING



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



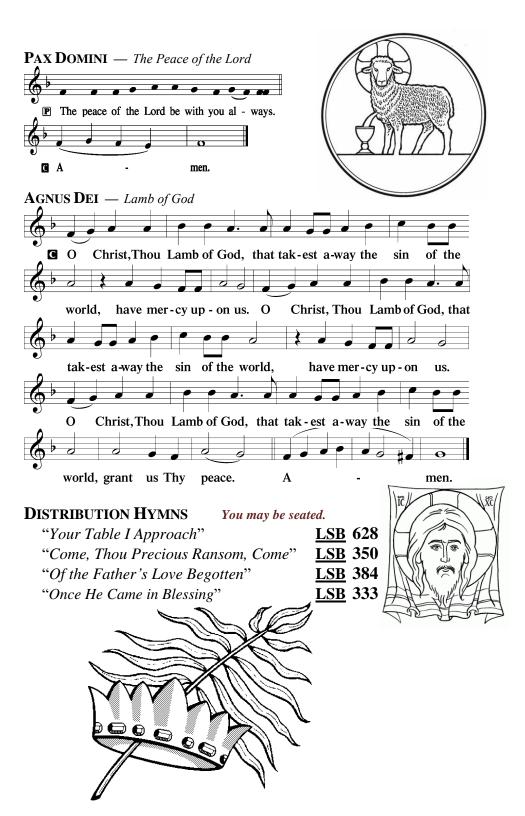
THE LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

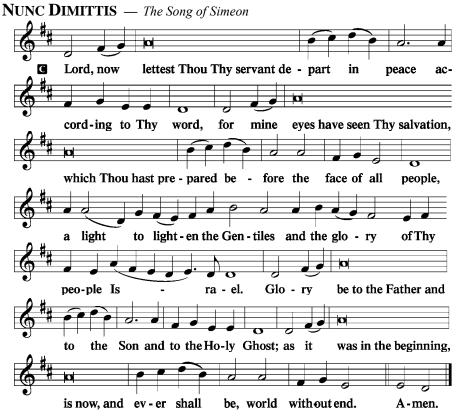
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Please stand...



THANKSGIVING

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



and His mercy endureth for ev er.

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith as we wait for the day of His coming, that we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage

feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

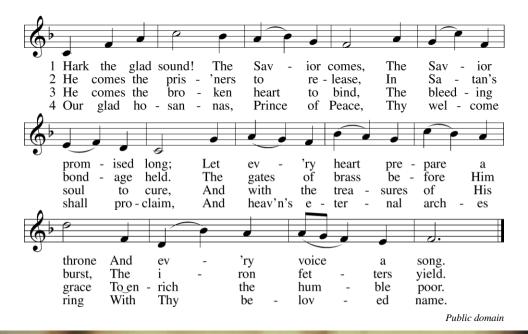
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His face shine upon you and be gra - c	ious un - to you.
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C A-men, a-men, a - men.	
CLOSING HYMN "Hark the Glad Sound"	

POSTLUDE

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to the glory of God as we enjoy the splendor of Christ's Advent!!

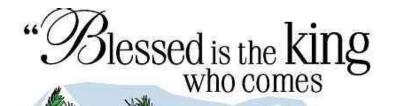




And may the LORD make you increase and abound IN LOVE to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He may

BLAMELESS in holiness before our God Father

of our LORD JESUS CHRIST with all His saints. 1 Thessalonians THREE:12-13



in the name of the Lord!"

This is what is meant by Thy king cometh. You do not seek him, but he seeks you. You do not find him, he finds you - Martin Luther