Divine Service, Setting Three  
The First Sunday in Advent  
27 November 2022

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

**RINGING OF THE BELLS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**BAPTISM HYMN: ♫“ALL WHO BELIEVE AND ARE BAPTIZED”**  

1. All who believe and are baptized  
   Shall see the Lord’s salvation;  
   Baptized into the death of Christ,  
   They are a new creation.  
   Through Christ’s redemption they shall stand  
   Among the glorious, heav’nly band  
   Of ev’ry tribe and nation.

*We will use the order of baptism on page 268 of the hymnal*

**AFTER BAPTISM HYMN: ♫“ALL WHO BELIEVE AND ARE BAPTIZED”**  

2. With one accord, O God, we pray:  
   Grant us Your Holy Spirit.  
   Help us in our infirmity  
   Through Jesus’ blood and merit.  
   Grant us to grow in grace each day  
   That by this sacrament we may  
   Eternal life inherit.

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**Stand**

P In the name of the Father and of the ♦ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching  
   Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and  
   unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to  
   Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

Amen.

INTROIT

Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation. Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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.

Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.” For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.
EPISTLE

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

CATECHETICAL VERSE

The Introduction

Our Father who art in heaven.
What does this mean?

G With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

Sit

SERMON HYMN: ♫ “SAVIOUR OF THE NATIONS, COME”

1 Savior of the nations, come,
  Virgin’s Son, make here Your home!
  Marvel now, O heav’n and earth,
  That the Lord chose such a birth.

2 Not by human flesh and blood,
  By the Spirit of our God,
  Was the Word of God made flesh—
  Woman’s offspring, pure and fresh.

3 Here a maid was found with child,
  Yet remained a virgin mild.
  In her womb this truth was shown:
  God was there upon His throne.

4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all
  From His pure and kingly hall;
  God of God, yet fully man,
  His heroic course began.

5 God the Father was His source,
  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.

7 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.

SERMON: “WAKE UP!”

By Pastor John Schmidt

ROMANS 13:11-14

Stand

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
C Amen.

OFFERTORY

♫ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

OFFERING

As offerings are brought forward the congregation stands and sings.

OFFERING HYMN: ♫ “WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN”

1 We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;
    All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2 May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
    And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sit

HYMN: ♫ “WAKE, AWAKE, FOR NIGHT IS FLYING”

1 “Wake, awake, for night is flying,”
    The watchmen on the heights are crying;
    “Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”
    Midnight hears the welcome voices
    And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
    “Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?
    The Bridegroom comes, awake!
    Your lamps with gladness take!
    Alleluia!
    With bridal care
    Yourselves prepare
    To meet the Bridegroom, who is near.”
2 Zion hears the watchmen singing,
   And all her heart with joy is springing;
   She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,
   The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
   Her star is ris’n, her light is come.
Now come, Thou Blessèd One,
   Lord Jesus, God’s own Son,
   Hail! Hosanna!
   We enter all
   The wedding hall
   To eat the Supper at Thy call.

3 Now let all the heav’ns adore Thee,
   Let saints and angels sing before Thee
   With harp and cymbals’ clearest tone.
Of one pearl each shining portal,
   Where, joining with the choir immortal,
   We gather round Thy radiant throne.
   No eye has seen the light,
   No ear has heard the might
   Of Thy glory;
   Therefore will we
   Eternally
   Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

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Stand

\(\text{P}\) Collect
\(\text{C} \downarrow \text{Amen}\)

Benediction

\(\text{P}\) The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
\(\text{C} \downarrow \text{Amen, amen, amen.}\)

Closing Hymn: \(\text{LSB 341}\) "Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates"

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!
   Behold, the King of glory waits.
   The King of kings is drawing near;
   The Savior of the world is here.
   Life and salvation He doth bring;
   Therefore rejoice and gladly sing.
   To God the Father raise
   Your joyful songs of praise.
2 A righteous Helper comes to thee;
   His chariot is humility,
   His kingly crown is holiness,
   His scepter, pity in distress.
   The end of all our woe He brings;
   Therefore the earth is glad and sings.
   To Christ the Savior raise
   Your grateful hymns of praise.

3 How blest the land, the city blest,
   Where Christ the ruler is confessed!
   O peaceful hearts and happy homes
   To whom this King in triumph comes!
   The cloudless sun of joy is He
   Who comes to set His people free.
   To God the Spirit raise
   Your happy shouts of praise.

4 Fling wide the portals of your heart;
   Make it a temple set apart
   From earthly use for heav’n’s employ,
   Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
   So shall your Sov’reign enter in
   And new and nobler life begin.
   To God alone be praise
   For word and deed and grace!

5 Redeemer, come and open wide
   My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
   O enter with Thy grace divine;
   Thy face of mercy on me shine.
   Thy Holy Spirit guide us on
   Until our glorious goal is won.
   Eternal praise and fame
   We offer to Thy name.


SILENT PRAYER

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