

The First Sunday in Advent November 26/27, 2022

Prelude

Savior of the Nations, Come

Biery

**Pastoral Greeting** 

#### **Invocation and Confession**

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

▶ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **G** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.
- C Amen.

- ☑ In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **C** Amen.

## Introit (Spoken responsively)

- Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.
- C Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!
- Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- **C** 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!
- P You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.
- **G** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.





save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A Help,



Salutation and Collect of the Day



**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.

# C Amen.

## Sit

# Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1–5

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>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,
<sup>3</sup>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.
<sup>4</sup>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.
<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual (spoken together) Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

From the house of the Lord we bless you.

#### Epistle: Romans 13:8–14

<sup>8</sup>Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>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." <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand



# Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

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



<sup>36</sup>[Jesus said:] "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. <sup>37</sup>As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>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, <sup>39</sup>and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. <sup>42</sup>Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>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. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Hymn of the DaySavior of the Nations, ComeLSB 332

#### Sermon

Stand

## **Apostles' Creed**

**G** 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.

## **Prayer of the Church**

**Offering** Offerings may be left in the plates as you leave, mailed to Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 11453 E Wesley Ave, Aurora, CO 80014, or you may give online at <u>https://mtolc.org</u>.





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# Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

#### **Prayer for the Word**

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# C Amen.

## **Benediction**



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**Closing Hymn** 

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide LSB 355

Postlude

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide Blersch

## The 5 PM service continues here Service of the Sacrament

Welcome Christian friends! Please respect what we believe, teach and confess regarding the Lord's Supper.

- Holy Communion is a confession of faith. If you are not currently a confessing member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation please make an appointment to speak with the pastor before communing.
- We celebrate Holy Communion in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins.
- If you are not communing, but would like to come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.





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:

#### Sanctus



## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

 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

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."





Sit

## Distribution

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#### **Nunc Dimittis**



## **Post-Communion Collect**

A 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 throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, 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.

C Amen.

#### **Benediction**



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you

and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



**Closing Hymn** 

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**Everyone is welcome** to the Fellowship Hall from 9-9:30 AM where coffee and donuts are available. Enjoy some fellowship time with our Christian friends.

Pastor – Rev. Robert Harmon Liturgist – Vicar James Stewart Organist – Mark Elmshauser Praise Team and Instrumentalists (10:45) Elder – Jeff Claxton (5), Harvey Rehwalt (8), Keith Einspahr (10:45) Ushers – Steve Leudders, Jerry Kelsey (8) Greeters – Pat and Nancy Amore (8) Ray and Pat Sowl (10:45) Altar Guild – Diane Van Stone, Sandra Sall



The altar flowers are given by Brian and Kathy Pelepchan for Katherine's 35<sup>th</sup> birthday

# **Mount Olive Lutheran Church**

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# **This Week**

Tuesday – Praise Team 1:30 PM Wednesday - Advent Service 10:30 AM Advent Meal 11:30 AM Bel Canto Handbells 6 PM Advent Service 7 PM Chancel Choir 8 PM Saturday – Traditional Worship 5 PM Sunday – Traditional Worship 8 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM Confirmation 1 PM

See The Loop for a complete list of activities and details <u>mtoliveluth.org</u>

#### Hymn of the Month

November's hymn of the month is Lutheran Service Book (LSB) #510 - A Multitude Comes from the East and the West. This hymn was written by Magnus Brostrup Landstad (1802-1880), a priest in the Church of Norway, a poet, and an acclaimed scholar of Norwegian folk music. The hymn was included with seven stanzas in Landstad's *Kirkesalmebog efter offentlig Foranstaltning (1869)*, a new hymnal for the Church of Norway. Now commonly printed as a four-stanza hymn, the text uses broad scriptural references to retell the parable of the great banquet from Luke 14:15-24. The first stanza introduces the parable, but uses the account of the faith of the centurion whose servant was healed by Jesus (Matthew 8:11-12). The second stanza uses the imagery of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, drawing the conclusion that He has issued a broad invitation, but He also knows His sheep personally. The third and fourth stanzas speak through references to retell salvation to come. It is fitting that each stanza - with its text that looks past the suffering of this world to the promised rejoicing in the next – concludes with "have mercy upon us, O Jesus!", expressing both a sense of humility and unworthiness but also a confident faith that Jesus hears us, has pity on us sinners, and helps us in our needs.

The tune use for this hymn is DER MANGE SKAL KOMME, the first line of the text commonly sung to this tune. The composer is unknown, with an origin in either Denmark or Finland. It first appeared in printed hymnals in Sweden in 1694.

Source: Lutheran Service Book Companion to the Hymns, Volumes 1 and 2, Concordia Publishing House 2019 Lutheran Worship Hymnal Companion, Concordia Publishing House 1992

#### 510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West

1 A tude comes from the east mul - ti and the west 2 O God. let hear when Shep - herd shall us our call 3 All tri - als shall be like dream that а is past, 4 The heav - ens shall an - them more grand ring with an . То sit the feast of tion at sal va In ac - cents per \_ sua sive and ten der. trou -For - got - ten all ble and ing. mourn Than ev - er earth eđ. on was re \_ cord a With A - bra - ham, I - saac, and Ja - cob, the blest, That while there time make is we haste, one and all. All ques - tions doubts have last. and been an - swered at The blest of Lord shall re ceive His the at hand O - bey - ing the Lord's in vi tion. ta And find Him, might - y de \_ fend our er. When ris the light of that morn ing. es The crown the vic eď. tors ward to а Have mer -0 on Je sus! cy up us, -\_ Have mer cy 0 Je sus! up on us, \_ Have mer - cy 0 Je sus! up on us, \_ Have mer -0 Je sus! cy up on us. \_ Text and tune: Public domain



Advent Services: November 30, December 7 and 14 at 10:30 AM and 7 PM Lessons and Carols December 17 and 18 5 PM and 10 AM Christmas Eve 4 and 6 PM Christmas Day 10 AM New Year's Eve 5 PM New Year's Day 10 AM



Advent lunch after every daytime service! November 30, December 7 and 14!



Ladies, join us on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> for our 'Advent By Candlelight Luncheon' at Mt. Olive Lutheran. Cost is \$12.00. We are having an In-Gathering of baby diapers and /or receiving blankets which we will give to the Alternative Pregnancy Center. Sign up at the Ark.