

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service Bulletin

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 4th, 2022

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

C: Congregation

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

Opening Song ~ #240 – Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah (verses 1 &2)

Lighting Of The Love Candle

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise ~ #259 – Fling Wide the Door

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

¹Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;

²**that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;**

³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.

⁴**Let him defend the needy among the people,**

rescue the poor, and crush¹ the oppressor. R

⁵May he live as long as the sun and¹ moon endure,
from one generation¹ to another.

**6Let him come down like rain upon¹ the mown field,
like showers that wa-¹ ter the earth.**

⁷In his time may the¹ righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall¹ be no more.

**18Blessed are you, Lord God, the¹ God of Israel;
you alone do¹ wondrous deeds!**

¹⁹And blessed be your glorious¹ name forever,
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. A-¹ men. Amen. R

Second Reading – Romans 15:4-13

Gospel Acclamation –

Alleluia. Prepare the way¹ of the Lord. All flesh shall see the salva-¹ tion of God. Alleluia. (Luke 3:4, 6)*

Gospel – Matthew 3:1-12

SERMON

Hymn of the Day ~ #264 – Prepare the Royal Highway

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn ~ #249 - On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry #259 – Fling Wide the Door

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOUR'S

Sunday: 09:45 AM – Traditional Worship

*Livestreamed via our YouTube channel

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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FIRST READING – Isaiah 11:1-10

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,

or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb,

the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

L: The word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING –Romans 15:4-13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name”;
¹⁰and again he says,
“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;
¹¹and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples praise him”;
¹²and again Isaiah says,
“The root of Jesse shall come,
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
in him the Gentiles shall hope.”
¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

L: The word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING - Matthew 3:1-12

C: Glory To You, O Lord

¹Now ¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore clothing of

camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey.⁵ Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan,⁶ and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷ But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?⁸ Bear fruit worthy of repentance.⁹ Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.¹⁰ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹ "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.¹² His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff

he will burn with unquenchable fire."

P: The gospel of the LORD.

C: Praise to you, O Christ