

November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent
10:30 AM Service of Holy Communion

GATHERING HYMN “Wake, Awake for Night is Flying”

ELW 436

First Reading

A reading from Jeremiah the thirty-third chapter

Jeremiah 33

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In 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. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25

To be read responsively

¹To you, O LORD,

I lift up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴**Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness,
O LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 21

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY “O Come Emanuel”

verses 1,4,7

ELW 257

SENDING HYMN “Rejoice Rejoice Believers”

verses 1,2,4

ELW 244

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Coffee hour resumes, please join us after worship in Fields Hall.

Today: Chester Baroque Orchestra Christmas Concert 3pm

2021 Zion Giving Tree

Zion continuing serving the neighbor with a Christmas Giving Tree, which provides gifts to those in need. This year we are working with LVCAP to provide gifts to several families. Please sign up (*see Happenings*) OR call the office during the week and Sarah will sign you up after discussing the available gift options.

Gifts are due **12/5**; there will be boxes in the Narthex of the church or you can coordinate a contact-less drop-off with Candice Snyder. Please wrap your gifts and **be sure to include the Item #** on your gift (i.e. 071-A, Gift 1)

Art work for Tree Lighting Program

Please submit a picture of a Christmas Tree and one will be chosen to be the program cover for the 12/5 concert before the Community Tree Lighting event.

New Directories are available in the Narthex.

12/1 Confirmation class 3:40PM-5PM

12/5 Sunday December 5th, Holiday Happenings, 3-5PM

5PM Choral Performance at Zion

6PM Tree Lighting at Zion!

Please see the flier in the Happenings for the list of events.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in:

memory of **Bill Denzler**
always in our hearts, *Jance, Matt & Kristina Denzler.*

Thank you for serving as worship leaders:

Lector: *Jean Howell*, **Set-up:** _____ **Altar Guild:** *Malainie Stoma*

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS

We continue to pray for: Andrea Aron, Ellen Blaine,
Charlie Burd, Diane Carlock, Mike Cook, Courtney Derr,
Donna East, Randy Farwell, Justin Fogarty, Krista Gundersen,
James Hassel, Kirk Klein, Sue Koeppen, Emily Mancuso, Cathy Mindel,
Jim Newquist, Becky Rasmussen, Deena Salvatore, June Sweeney, Bob Weis

Please contact the church office for additions or to make updates.