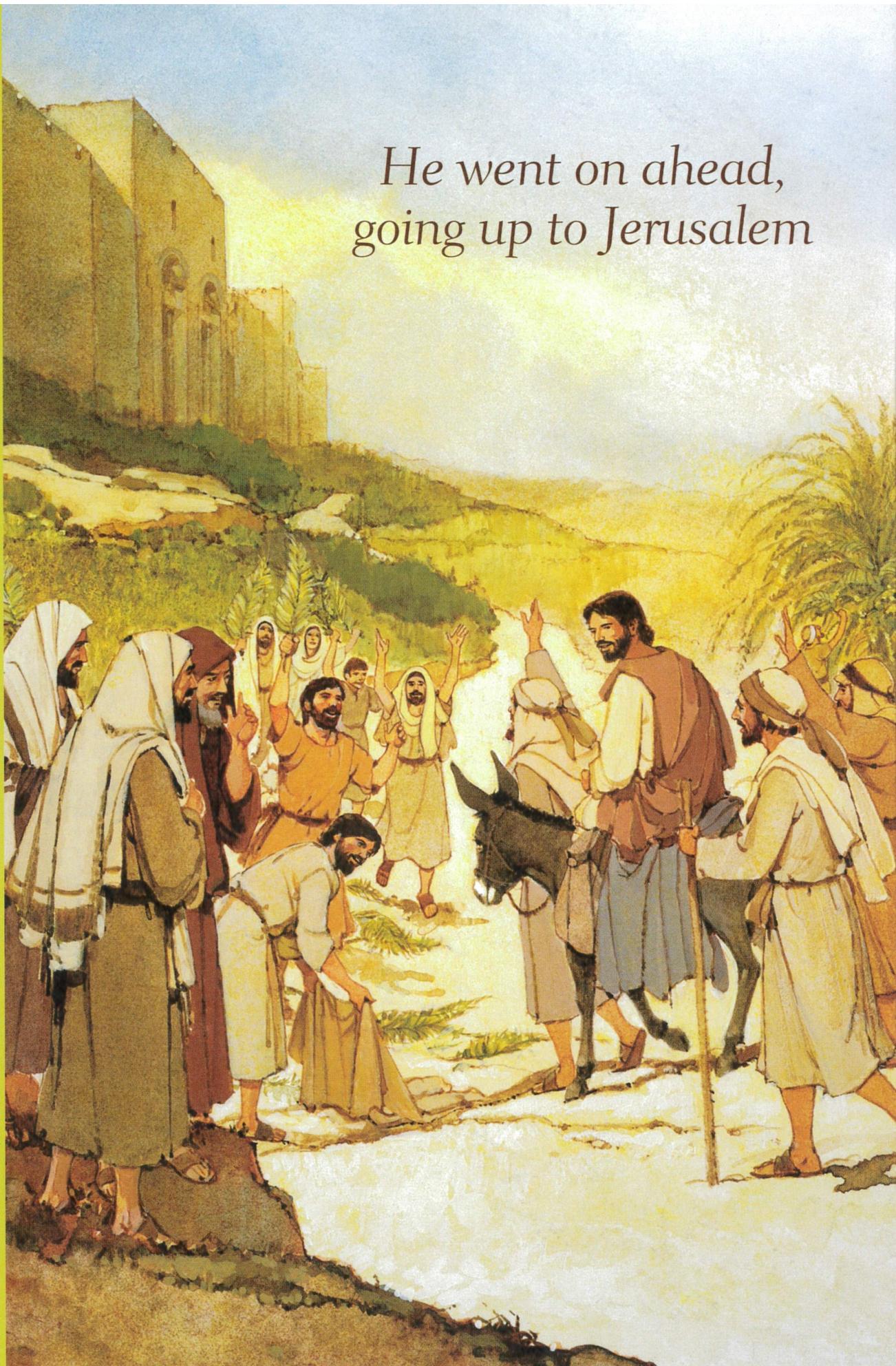


**Lord of Life Lutheran Church
Plano, Texas**

*He went on ahead,
going up to Jerusalem*



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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

We are weak and sick, O Father, and the temptations of the flesh and the world are great and many. O Father, keep us, and let us not fall again into temptation and sin. Give us grace that we may remain steadfast and fight bravely to the end. Without your grace and help we can do nothing, Amen.

(M. Luther, 1483-1546)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

The First Sunday in Advent

November 28, 2021

8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

Divine Service IV – *LSB 203*

Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”

LSB 334 sts. 1–2, 5–6



1 O Lord, how shall I meet You, How wel - come You a - right?
2 Your Zi - on strews be - fore You Green boughs and fair - est palms;
5 Sin's debt, that fear - ful bur - den, Can - not His love e - raise;
6 He comes to judge the na - tions, A ter - ror to His foes,



Your peo - ple long to greet You, My hope, my heart's de - light!
And I too will a - dore You With joy - ous songs and psalms.
Your guilt the Lord will par - don And cov - er by His grace.
A light of con - so - la - tions And bless - ed hope to those



O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, Your lamp with - in my breast
My heart shall bloom for - ev - er For You with prais - es new
He comes, for you pro - cur - ing The peace of sin for - giv'n,
Who love the Lord's ap - pear - ing. O glo - rious Sun, now come,



To do in spir - it low - ly All that may please You best.
And from Your name shall nev - er With - hold the hon - or due.
His chil - dren thus se - cur - ing E - ter - nal life in heav'n.
Send forth Your beams so cheer - ing, And guide us safe - ly home.

Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

LSB 203

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

Matthew 28-19b, [18:20]

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalms 124:8

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

[Luke 18:13]

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

P 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.

+++Service of the Word+++

Introit

Psalm 89:6, 14–16, 18; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.



Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
righteous and having sal- | vation.

Who in the skies can be compared | to the LORD?*
Who among the heavenly beings is | like the LORD?

Righteousness and justice are the foundation | of your throne;*
steadfast love and faithfulness go be- | fore you.

Blessèd are the people who know the | festal shout,*
who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face,

who exult in your name | all the day*
and in your righteousness are ex- | alted.

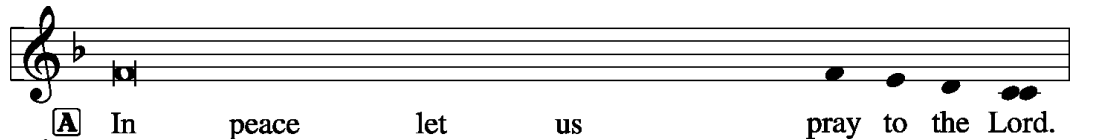
For our shield belongs | to the LORD,*
our king to the Holy One of | Israel.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
 righteous and having sal- | vation.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47; LSB 204



P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 205

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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

Jeremiah 33:14–16

¹⁴“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. 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 dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

⁹What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as 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, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so 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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 205





Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28–40.

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁸When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “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. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” ³²So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” ³⁵And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As 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, ³⁸saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB 206

C 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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

LSB 332 sts. 1–5



Choir only: 1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
Choir only: 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and
 5 God the Fa - ther was His source, Back to God He



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
 king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,
 ran His course. In - to hell His road went down,



That the Lord chose such a birth.
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
 God was there up - on His throne.
 His he - ro - ic course be - gan.
 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.

Choir only: 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.

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Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Sit

(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)

+++Service of the Sacrament+++



Stand

Preface

LSB 208

2 Timothy 4:22, [Colossians 3:1], [Psalm 136]

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

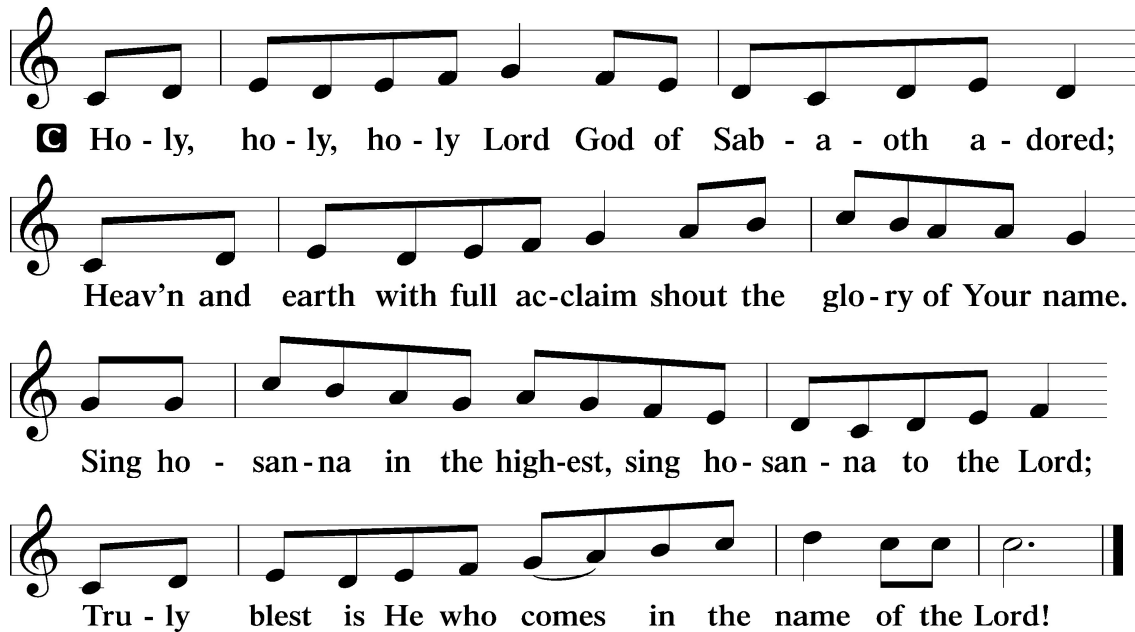
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 209

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

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

*Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24,
Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

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.”

P 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.”

Pax Domini

John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Sit

Agnus Dei

John 1:29; LSB 210

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Communicants are asked to hold forth their open hand to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it.

Distribution Hymn

The *Lutheran Service Book* is located in the basket underneath the chair in front of you.

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

LSB 341

Stand

Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32; LSB 211



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

LSB 212

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

[Psalm 103:1]

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

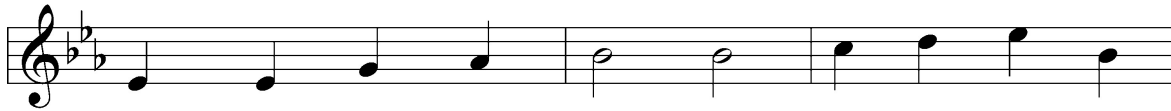
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

“Once He Came in Blessing”

LSB 333



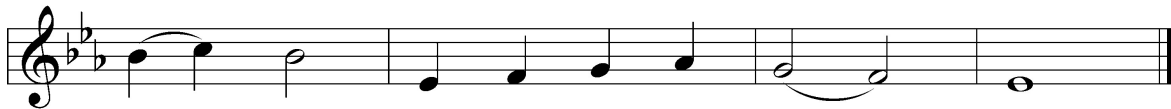
1 Once He came in bless - ing, All our sins re -
2 Now He gent - ly leads us; With Him - self He
3 Soon will come that hour When with might - y
4 Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, From our sins re -



dress - ing; Came in like - ness low - ly,
feeds us Pre - cious food from heav - en,
pow - er Christ will come in splen - dor
lease us. Keep our hearts be - liev - ing,



Son of God most ho - ly; Bore the cross to
Pledge of peace here giv - en, Man - na that will
And will judg - ment ren - der, With the faith - ful
That we, grace re - ceiv - ing, Ev - er may con -



save us; Hope and free - dom gave us.
nour - ish Souls that they may flour - ish.
shar - ing Joy be - yond com - par - ing.
fess You Till in heav'n we bless You.

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Sit

Announcements

Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K – 5th graders from Room 113.

IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 122 for a Bible study on the prophets of the Old Testament. Why those guys? Because Jesus also studied, read, and quoted the prophets; so why shouldn't we!

Adult Bible Class

Pastor Shaltanis leads a study over the Gospel of Mark in the fellowship hall at 9:30ish.

Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Mike Kunschke is beginning a new study on the book of Ecclesiastes today. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend this class at 9:30 am in Room 114, just let Mike know.

Angel Tree

Our Angels this Christmas are children from the EKids After School Program. This is a program for children living in apartments in Carrollton and Rockwall. The program is Christ centered, under the direction of Pastor Jaime Gonzalez and his wife Fabiana Santos. We are joining with other local congregations to provide gifts for these children. Please select a child and their wish list. Sign your name next to theirs on the master list. Shop, and then wrap the gifts, keeping multiple gifts for the same person together and label. Return the gifts to church by December 12th. If you have any questions, please contact Charis Bennett.

Poinsettias Available for this Christmas Season

Poinsettias are available to dedicate in “thanksgiving for” or “memory of” someone you designate, for \$12 each. You may then take a poinsettia home after Christmas. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Voters' Meeting December 5, 2021

Please plan to attend our semi-annual voters' meeting after the last service on Dec. 5. Topics covered will be the budget, financial update and the state of the parish.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

A human being's dignity doesn't come from her age, her appearance, or her abilities. Rather, “the Lord is our righteousness” (Jeremiah 33:16), as He creates, redeems, and calls worth and purpose into every life from fertilization to forever. Even those who have undergone abortions may know His salvation because He remembers not the sins of our youth (Psalm 25:3) for Jesus' sake. Trusting Him, nobody has to feel ashamed about surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis (Psalm 25:3).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFuo.org

Hear sacred music for Advent beginning this week, hear Advent midweek service from Village Lutheran in Ladue, MO, on 12/1 at 12:00 p.m. CT, begin "Advent with the Apostles" on 12/1 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and continue in Song of Solomon on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs at kfuo.org or the KFuo Radio app.

Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor:	Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Organist:	Victoria Frinsko
Altar Guild:	Nancy Cawood, Laurie George, Kathy Hite
Greeter:	Dave Peters, Terry Strecker
Elder:	Tom Read, Greg Moudy
Ushers:	Charles Hacker, Samson Carter
Sound:	Russ Wilkerson, Doug Hite

This Week at Lord of Life-Today, Nov. 28, 2021

8:00 am	Early Worship Service
9:30 am	Children's Sunday School (K-5 th Gr, Room 113) IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) Adult Bible Small Class (Room 114)
10:45 am	Late Worship Service
12:00 pm	College Group

Tuesday, November 30

12:00 pm Women's Bible Study – BYO Lunch

Wednesday, December 1

1:30 pm	Advent Worship
7:00 pm	Advent Worship
7:30 pm	Adult Choir

Friday, December 3

9:00 am Comfort Makers – Cookie Exchange

Saturday, December 4

7:30 am	Men's Bible Breakfast
11:00 am	Pat Montalbo's Memorial Service

Next Sunday's Readings December 5, 2021

Old Testament: Mal. 3:1–7b

Epistle: Phil. 1:2–11

Gospel: Luke 3:1–14 (15–20)



The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Al and Norma Martin in celebration of their anniversary; and by Duffy and Cindy Carter in celebration of Arlene Munden's birthday.



Advent

About the Cover: A Palm Sunday Gospel reading, which may seem like the wrong text as we enter Advent, points us to the fact that Christ's arrival means our salvation. Christ's arrival as a little babe means His taking on of human flesh. Christ's arrival to His holy city means the cross and resurrection by which He defeated sin and death. Christ's arrival to us through Word and Sacraments means we receive the benefits of what He has accomplished. Christ's arrival on the Last Day means His completion of all things. Christ has come; Christ will come again.