

Triumphant Lutheran Church

We grow in Christ to serve others.

Second Sunday of Advent

9am

December 4, 2022

[P] Pastor [AM] Assisting Minister [CA] Cantor [R] Reader [C] Congregation ELW - Worship

PRELUDE

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION

[P] In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen**

[P] Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

[C] **Amen**

[P] If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 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 and self-examination.

[P] Most merciful God,

[C] **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

[P] Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] **Amen**

GATHERING HYMN

“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry” ELW hymn 249

THE 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.**

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[CA] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] **Lord, have mercy.**

[CA] For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

[C] **Lord, have mercy.**

[CA] 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.

[C] **Lord, have mercy.**

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

[C] **Lord, have mercy.**

[CA] Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

[C] **Amen**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

[AM] At every beginning, there is a yearning for the one who is coming. O Emmanuel,

[C] **Wake us up to your coming.**

[AM] We wait for the day when God will create a prevailing peace on the earth, and natural-born enemies turn into newborn friends. O Emmanuel,

[C] **Wake us up to your coming.**

[AM] We get ready for God to come close by laying our lives open to Jesus, asking him to sort through all our mixed motives. O Emmanuel,

[C] **Wake us up to your coming.**

[AM] Jesus, we welcome your presence now with the lighting of these candles, whose flames fill this place with the glow of hope.

[C] **Amen.**

HYMN "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord"

Prepare ye the way of the Lord, prepare ye the way of the Lord. (*repeat*)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

[C] **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10

Pew Bible, OT page 496

[R] The Word of the Lord. [C] **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

Pew Bible, NT page 2

[P] The Gospel of the Lord. [C] **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Prepare the Royal Highway".....ELW hymn 264

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[AM] Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

[C] **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation**

he came down from heaven;
he was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

After each petition: [AM] Lord in your mercy [C] **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

GATHERING OF GIFTS AND SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERTORY Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son.
And now, let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks

OFFERING PRAYER

[AM] Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
[C] **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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[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 our thanks and praise.**

[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all time and in all places give thanks and praise... We praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

