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## **Advent #1**

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**WELCOME** as we make preparation in our hearts for the birth of our Savior in a meager stable in Bethlehem.

Advent is the time of the church year when we rejoice in what Jesus has already accomplished for us as well as look forward to what is promised for us in the future. The overall theme of this series is “Await God’s Future.” The season of Advent is a good time to hear the prophets of ancient Israel announce the promised future for the people of God. During these few weeks, we will hear from the prophet Isaiah God’s promises for us which are fulfilled in Jesus’ advents, both in His birth and His second coming. May these words of Isaiah instill in our hearts and minds repentance, faith, and hope in the coming of our Lord.

Join us next Wednesday to continue this journey.

Please fill out the registration card found in your pew rack and hand it to an usher or place it in the basket on the table as you leave this evening.

**Prelude**

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bells**

**The Order of Worship**

## Opening Hymn

*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

LSB #357 vs 1, 3, 7

*(please stand)*

P Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,  
C **the light no darkness can overcome.**

P Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,  
C **and the day is almost over.**

P Let Your light scatter the darkness  
C **and illuminate Your Church.**

## Hymn of Light



**L** Joy - ous light of glo - ry:



**C** of the im - mor - tal Fa - ther; heav - en - ly, ho - ly,



bles - ed Je - sus Christ. We have come to the



set - ting of the sun, and we look to the eve - ning light.



We sing to God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it:



You are wor - thy of be - ing praised with pure voic - es for -



ev - er. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life:



the u - ni - verse pro - claims Your glo - ry.

Psalm 141 (all sing together)

**C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

**I** O Lord, I call to You; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice  
when I cry to You. **C** Let my prayer rise be - fore You as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

**II** Set a watch be - fore my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.

**I** Let not my heart in - cline to an - y e - vil thing;  
let me not be oc - cu - pied in wick - ed - ness with e - vil - do - ers.

**II** But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take ref - uge.  
Strip me not of my life. **C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in  
the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



## Prayer

- P** Let us pray.  
Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before  
You, O Lord, and let Your loving-kindness descend on us  
that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises  
with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host  
and may glorify You forever.
- C** **Amen.**

*(be seated)*

## Readings

### First Reading *Isaiah 36:1, 37:14-21a, 30-38*

In the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and took them.

<sup>14</sup> Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up to the house of the Lord, and spread it before the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord: <sup>16</sup> “O Lord of hosts, God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. <sup>17</sup> Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear; open your eyes, O Lord, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to mock the living God. <sup>18</sup> Truly, O Lord, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations and their lands, <sup>19</sup> and have cast their gods into the fire. For they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone. Therefore they were destroyed. <sup>20</sup> So now, O Lord our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone are the Lord.”

<sup>21</sup> Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel.”

<sup>30</sup> “And this shall be the sign for you: this year you shall eat what grows of itself, and in the second year what springs from that. Then in the third year sow and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat their fruit. <sup>31</sup> And the surviving remnant of the house of Judah shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward. <sup>32</sup> For out of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, and out of Mount Zion a band of survivors. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

<sup>33</sup> “Therefore thus says the Lord concerning the king of Assyria: He shall not come into this city or shoot an arrow there or come before it with a shield or cast up a siege mound against it. <sup>34</sup> By the way that he came, by the same he shall return, and he shall not come into this city, declares the Lord. <sup>35</sup> For I will defend this city to save it, for my own sake and for the sake of my servant David.”

<sup>36</sup> And the angel of the Lord went out and struck down 185,000 in the camp of the Assyrians. And when people arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies. <sup>37</sup> Then Sennacherib king of Assyria departed and returned home and lived at Nineveh. <sup>38</sup> And as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god, Adrammelech and Sharezer, his sons, struck him down with the sword. And after they escaped into the land of Ararat, Esarhaddon his son reigned in his place.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*Psalm 34:1-7, 15-22*

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. <sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

<sup>4</sup> I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. <sup>5</sup> Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. <sup>6</sup> This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. <sup>7</sup> The

angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

<sup>15</sup> The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. <sup>16</sup> The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. <sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. <sup>18</sup> The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

<sup>19</sup> Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all. <sup>20</sup> He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken. <sup>21</sup> Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. <sup>22</sup> The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

P This is the Word of the Lord.  
C Thanks be to God.

## Message

### Magnificat *(please stand)*

LSB #934

1 My soul now mag - ni - fies the Lord; My spir - it  
2 For He a - lone who shows such might Has done a -  
3 His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scat - ters  
4 He feeds the hun - gry as His own; The wealth - y

leaps for joy in Him. He keeps me in His kind re -  
maz - ing things to me. His mer - cy flows; His name like  
those of proud in - tent And casts them down from high es -  
leave with emp - ty hands. He gives His help to Is - ra -

gard, And I am blest for time to come.  
light Re - mains in time per - pet - ual - ly.  
tate, Then gives the low His nour - ish - ment.  
el; His gra - cious prom - ise al - ways stands.

## Litany

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L 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.**

L For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

## Collect for Peace



P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### Lord's Prayer

L Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.**

### Benedicamus

L Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Benediction

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the (+) Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C **Amen.**

*(be seated)*

Closing Hymn                      *“Stay With Us”*                      LSB #879

### Postlude

“Soli Deo Gloria”