

Introduction to the Day

Joseph's life bounced often from turmoil to blessing. God continued to bless Joseph even as he was falsely imprisoned, and God sent people to intervene on Joseph's behalf. We hear the promise of forgiveness from our God, and, in turn, we seek to forgive others as we have been forgiven. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy world.

GATHERING

Welcome to Worship

ACS Setting 12

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C: Amen.

L: Joseph's life was not easy.

C: Yet wherever he was, he kept his faith in God.

L: Joseph's work brought blessing to others,

C: Even in the midst of his own pain.

L: Remind us, O God, that you are here with us,

C: No matter what is going on around us.

L: Inspire us in our daily work, that it might be a work in, through, and for you.

C: Help us to trust that you are in all things,

L: Even when everything seems overwhelming—

C: Especially when everything seems overwhelming.

L: Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

P: Creating and renewing God,

C: You have made us in your image to carry your life-giving love as a blessing to all the world. Yet we fail again and again to live out your call. We place our trust in money and possessions, in flawed people and broken relationships, in the things that cannot sustain us. We do the things we do not want to do, and we fail to do the things we know you would have us do.

Forgive us for all the ways we fall short. Open our eyes, hearts, and minds to your presence, and re-create us in

your image each day, for the good of all that you have made.

P: The God whose love outpoured caused the world to be continues to pour this creative love on us. The God whose love outpoured in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ continues to pour this redeeming love upon us.

Children of God, know that you are forgiven, and go forth refreshed and ready to answer God's call to love and serve the whole of creation. In Jesus' holy name.

C: Amen.

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

♪ **Gathering Song**

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" (vv. 1-3) **W&P 3**

Greeting

L: 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.

♪ **Kyrie** (ACS p. 31)

♪ **Song of Praise** (ACS p. 31)

Prayer of the Day:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. God of love, giver of life,

C: you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson: Genesis 39:1-23

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Pastor Aaron Schnell

♪ **Hymn of the Day**

"Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive"

ELW 605

Apostles' Creed (ACS p. 17)

Children's Message

Prayers of Intercession

Response:

L: God of mercy and grace,

C: we lift our prayers to you.

MEAL

Offering (*Offerings may be submitted by PAR, a cheque mailed or delivered to Advent, or by etransfer to giving@adventlutheran.ca.*)

♪ Offertory Song (2x)

Lord, Please Lead

Jerry Salt(er)



Lord, please lead me now and I will fol-low to a fu-ture I don't know.

I know that you are there to help and guide me. Lord, please lead and I will go. And like

Jo-seph, give me eyes to see that you're al-ways here with me.

You are the light that casts a-way my dark-ness. Lord, please lead and I will go.

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Offering Prayer

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ACS p. 36)

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

♪ Sanctus

"Holy, Holy, Holy" (ACS p. 36)

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (ACS p. 39)

♪ Communion Song:

"Lamb of God" (ACS p. 40)

♪ Communion Songs:

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

ELW 858

"Arise, Your Light Has Come!"

ELW 314

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

ELW 733

"As the Grains of Wheat"

ELW 465

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

♪ Sending Song

"Canticle of the Turning"

ELW 723

Dismissal:

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Advent Offerings

(September 22, 2026, Year to Date)

Current Fund: \$114,939.40

Basically Babies \$294

Blessing Bags: \$1600.00

Camp Kuriakos: \$100

Campus Ministry: \$100.00

CLWR: \$1830.00

Food Bank: \$510.00

SWARM: \$4300.92

VBS \$930.00

Walk As We: \$225.00

Youth: \$410.00

Worship Statistics

Sunday, September 20th, 10:00 am Attendance:

In Person~45, Online~13, Sunday School~ N/A

Prayers for the Wider Church

- for Bishop Trish Schmermund, and for our synod staff, rostered ministers, and people of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
 - for Rev. Craig Wentland, Dean, and the rostered ministers, and people of the East Central Area
 - for our Synod Campus Ministries and especially for Rev. George Koopmans, Chaplain for Medicine Hat College
 - for Spiritual Directors, especially Deacon Dr. Faith Nostbakken and Rev. Ron Flamand
 - for St. Peter's Ecumenical, Slave Lake, and St Matthew's Lutheran, Spruce Grove
 - for Prince of Peace Congregation, Tunja, Colombia
 - for the bishop, pastors, and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Angola
 - for the Right Rev. Alexander Pryor, Anglican Bishop of the Arctic; for the Suffragan Bishops Right Rev. Ann Martha Keenainak, and Right Rev. Jared Osborn; and for the staff, priests, and people of the Anglican Diocese of the Arctic
 - for the ministers and people of the United Church of Canada
- ACC:** The Rt. Rev. Clara Plamondon, Bishop, and the clergy, and people of The Territory of the People
- MORAVIAN:** The people and ministries of the Mission Province of Newfoundland and Labrador
- TOGETHER:** Every child matters! Remember the Indigenous children who did not return home from residential school; for survivors and their families; for truth, healing, and reconciliation

Weekly Announcements

Advent's next **Town Hall** meeting will take place after worship this Sunday, September 27th, in person and online. Please plan to attend!

Camp Sunday & Mid-Autumn Celebration 🍁🏮 Join us at Hope Lutheran Church this Sunday, September 27! Children and youth can check in at 9:30 AM, and worship begins at 10:00 AM. Afterward, Hope's Chinese Ministry will host a Mid-Autumn food tasting, followed by fun activities and a lunch for Camp Sunday participants. Advent families are warmly invited!

Ladies' Monthly Potluck: The noon potluck for the ladies will resume on September 28th at 12:00 noon. Please join us for fun, food and fellowship.

Youth Laser Tag - New Date! 🎯🍕

Laser tag is now Saturday, October 3, at Laser City North Calgary. Arrive by 6:45 PM. It's \$26 per person, including pizza and a drink. Youth ages 12+ are welcome, and younger youth may attend with prior approval. Financial assistance is available. Register here:

<https://forms.gle/VfFUCEYS2shHE3VR9>

A New Group at Advent: Beginning on October 14th, a group of Advent's art-lovers will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Please join us with your art supplies and conversation as we exercise our God-given creativity and spirituality.

Eyeglasses: There are two sets of unclaimed glasses on the shelf by our church mailboxes. One is sunglasses and one is prescription eyewear. Are they yours? Please let Karin know!

Garlic: Thank you to everyone who has supported sales of garlic in support for our youth. Pick-up is ongoing; please contact the Minchais if you have any questions.

Church Linens: Advent seems to be missing some tablecloths from our linen cupboard. If you have them at home, could you please let us know? We want to keep track of them. Thank you to everyone who is so diligent in caring for our fabrics, whether it be for worship, fellowship, or the kitchen!

The **Lutheran Theological Seminary** invites everyone interested in the future of Lutheran theological education in Western Canada to join us for conversation this fall.

President William Harrison and others will speak briefly about the Lutheran commitments we intend to carry forward, the

possibilities emerging through the new institution with St. Andrew's College, and why we believe this change offers the strongest way forward.

There will be substantial time for conversation throughout the session. We hope you will come, bring your questions, and join us in thinking deeply about the future of Lutheran theological education in Western Canada.

Two online sessions will be offered:

Tuesday, October 6 — 7:00 p.m. Saskatchewan time

Friday, October 9 — 10:00 a.m. Saskatchewan time

The same conversation will be offered at both sessions; please choose whichever time works best for you. Space is limited and advanced registration is required. See

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2000485751735?aff=oddtatoreator> .

Sunday, October 25th: is the day when the ELCIC will celebrate its 40th anniversary. Members and congregations are invited to come together in national worship. More details to follow.

Flowers: If you are able to donate cut flowers for the altar, please sign up on the large chart in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not bring lilies due to allergy issues. Thank you! A special thank you to **Milda H.** for our altar flowers this weekend!

Coffee Fellowship Ministry Sign Up: Hosts are needed for the Coffee Fellowship. This involves preparing coffee, tea and cold drinks, setting up and cleaning up. Treat is optional. No experience needed! On-the-job training is provided.

Financial Giving: *Thank you to everyone for faithfully continuing to contribute and keeping Advent thriving, whether by weekly or monthly giving through cash, cheques or PAR and e-transfer. Instructions for both the PAR program and e-transfers are under ONLINE GIVING on our website (www.adventlutheran.ca).*

Sunday Service Online Links: If you are only able to join us by **phone**, please call **1.855.703.8985**. Then press **483 597 7957** followed by the pound key (#). Password: **569693**. If you are joining us by **computer**, here is the link:

<https://zoom.us/j/4835977957>. Password: **569693**

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New Here? Want to visit the pastor? Have info to share? Address change?
Weekly email sign-up? Scan the QR Code or contact the office to connect with us!

Serving Soon	Sept. 27, 2026	Oct. 4, 2026
Worship Presider	Pastor Aaron S.	Pastor Aaron S.
Assisting Minister	Frank S.	John M.
Communion Asst.	Heather R.	Kim R.
Altar Guild	Melodie M.	Dawn U.
Lector	Monique L.	Ann H.
Ushers	Marv & Gwen T.	Bruce M. & Greg L.
Greeters	Colin & Sheila B.	Laura P.
Sound/Zoom	Paul M. & John M.	Garry Y. & Volunteer
Musician	Joel C.	Sorena C.
Offering Counters	Bryce J. & Lindsay L.	Karen M. & Sheila B.
Coffee Fellowship	Town Hall Meeting	Birthdays Celebration
Flowers	Milda H.	Doug & Diane K.

We give thanks to Jesus, the Creator who sets free, who has gifted us with this land that we are blessed to share and care for together. We acknowledge that the land we gather on, Mohkinstsis, is the ancestral territory of the Siksik-aitsitapi: the Siksika, Kainai, Piikani, and Amskapi Pikuni. We acknowledge all the Treaty 7 signatories, including the Tsuut'ina people, as well as the Iyarhe Nakoda Nations: Bearspaw, Chiniki, and Wesley. This land is also the home of Métis Nation Region 3 and all other people who make their home here.