

The First Sunday in Advent

December 1, 2024

The season of Advent focuses on the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and this first Sunday establishes this theme for the rest of the season. The Son of God came long ago to be our Savior, “a righteous Branch” descended from David (Jer. 33:15). As He then came into Jerusalem, riding on a lowly donkey to sacrifice Himself for the sins of the world (Luke 19:28–40), so does He come to His Church today in the humility of Word and Sacrament to deliver the fruits of His Passion: the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. He absolves us and establishes our hearts “blameless in holiness before our God and Father” (1 Thess. 3:13). The same Lord Jesus, who came to Jerusalem then and who comes to us now in peace, will come again with power and great glory on the Last Day. Then there will be “distress of nations in perplexity,” with “people fainting with fear.” Yet, as we anticipate that great and terrible day, He bids us to rest securely in Him: “Raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near” (Luke 21:25, 26, 28).

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Opening Hymn “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You” **#334**

+ Invocation **p.151**

+ Confession and Absolution **p.151**

+ Introit Psalm 89

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

C: righteous and having salvation.

P: Who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?

C: Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord?

P: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;

C: steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

P: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,

C: who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,

P: who exult in your name all the day

C: and in your righteousness are exalted.

P: For our shield belongs to the Lord,

C: our king to the Holy One of Israel.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

+ Kyrie Lord Have Mercy **p.152**

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+ Salutation and Collect:

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+ Collect:

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. **AMEN**

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. **15** In 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. **16** In 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 Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

9 For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, **10** as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

11 Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, **12** and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, **13** so 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.**

+ Alleluia **p.156**

+ Holy Gospel Reading: Luke 19:28–40

28 And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. **29** When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, **30** saying, “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. **31** If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” **32** So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. **33** And as they were

untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" **34** And they said, "The Lord has need of it." **35** And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. **36** And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. **37** As 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, **38** saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" **39** And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." **40** He 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**

Sermon Hymn: "Savior of the Nations Come" #332

Sermon

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Closing Hymn: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #338

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Sunday Services: 8:15 and 10:30 AM

Sunday School and Bible Class: 9:30 AM

Announcements for Sunday Dec. 1

Communion Statement

"The body and the blood of Jesus, given and shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins, will be distributed and received during our worship service this morning. Since those who commune at the altar are joined together in Christ as well as together in the teachings of the congregation (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 11:17-30; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Cor. 10:16-18), Immanuel Lutheran Church observes the historical and biblical practice of Closed Communion. This is done so that no one would receive the holy sacrament to their damnation and so that they may give a proper witness to their faith. Visitors from congregations of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod are invited to commune. Others are invited to visit with the pastor concerning our Communion practices."

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our shut-ins: Jo Tews, Sharon Mayfield
Angie Littlefield, as she continues her battle with cancer
Our staff, students and parents as we continue with our school year
All who are ill or suffering in these trying times

THIS WEEK AT SILO:

Wed Dec 4 1:30pm & 7pm Advent Service - 5th & 6th grade sing at 1:30 service
Fri Dec 6 4:30pm Basketball vs Lake City
Fri Dec 6 & Sat Dec 7 6:30pm Hope Lutheran High School play
Sun Dec 8 3pm Hope Lutheran High School play

LOOKING AHEAD:

Wed Dec 11 1:30pm & 7pm Advent Service - 3rd & 4th grade sing at 1:30 service
Fri Dec 13 4pm Basketball at Plainview
Wed Dec 18 9am, 1pm & 6:30pm Silo School Christmas Program
Thu Dec 19 - Jan 1 No School
Sun Dec 22 3:30 Sauer Service
Mon Dec 23 Scroll items due
Tue Jan 2 School resumes

IN OUR SERVICE TODAY

Ushers: 8:15: Paul Knabel, Randy Hoekstra, Paul Tveten
10:30: Todd Smith, Matthew Smith, Micah Mueller
Greeters: 8:15: Don & Holly Thompson
10:30: Matt Van Etten family

Altar Guild: Vickie Hoekstra & Denise Van Etten

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir will practice TONIGHT December 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the church balcony.

REPEAT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Just a reminder, Holly is not in the church office at all during the weekday, so if you need to get ahold of her, you need to call the school office at 507-523-3143. She is not able to go over and check voicemails on a daily basis, and the church office phone does not ring at the school. Thank you all for your understanding.

Christmas Tree Sale! Get your fresh cut Christmas Tree at the HOPE Lutheran High School Tree Lot at 312 E. Broadway. Open Saturdays 9 to 7 Sundays 1 to 7 and weekdays 5 to 7. Trees provided by Silent Night Evergreens. Your tree will have purpose with proceeds going to benefit Hope Lutheran High School programs. More info hopelhs.org

Special Services 2024

Wed December 4, 2024	Advent Midweek 1 1:30pm and 7:00pm No Communion	Hope High School
Wed December 11, 2024	Advent Midweek 2 1:30pm and 7:00pm No Communion	CLC
Wed December 18, 2024	Children's Christmas Program 9:00am, 1:00pm 6:30pm No Communion	Silo School

Tue December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve Service 7:00pm No Communion	District & Synod Missions
Wed December 25, 2024	Christmas Day Service 10:00am No Communion	Home
Tue December 31, 2024	New Year's Eve Service 7:00pm No Communion	Home
Wed January 1, 2025	New Year's Day (Circumcision and Name of Jesus) 10:00am Communion	Home

