

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church
& Early Childhood Campus**

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Worship Hours: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

November 28, 2021

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" LSB 357 (st. 1-5)

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting One) (p. 151 in the front of the hymnal)

INVOCATION AND CALL WORSHIP

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: 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 on God's Word and for self-examination* +

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 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.

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

P: Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,

C: the light no darkness can overcome.

P: Let Your light scatter the darkness

C: and illumine Your Church.

HYMN "We Light the Advent Candle"

(To the tune of Prepare the Royal Highway)

1. **We light the Advent candle**

And wait for Christ to come.

With hope, we trust the promise

That He will bring us home.

Our hope is in our Savior

Who wins for us God's favor.

We wait with growing light

Till God makes all things right!

PSALM 89:6, 14-16, 18

P: Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation.

C: Who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord?

P: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

C: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,

P: who exult in your name all the day and in your righteousness are exalted.

C: For our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

C: 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

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: 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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-16

EPISTLE

Titus 1:1-4

ALLELUIA VERSE

(p. 156 in the front of the hymnal)

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

(after the reading . . .)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide" LSB 355 (st. 1, 4, 6, 7)

SERMON "A Permanent Promise: At the Proper Time" Based on Titus 1:1-4

CONFESSION OF FAITH

"Nicene Creed" *(p. 158)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: To You, O Lord, we lift up our souls and in You we put our trust. Do not let us be ashamed of our hope but come quickly. Sustain us by Your Holy Spirit, that we may have joy at the advent of Christ, our Savior.

Lord, in Your mercy,

(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

(Our petitions this day.)

P: Holy God, You declared that the days were coming when You would accomplish our salvation, and in Your time You caused Your Son, the righteous Branch, to spring up for David. By Your grace, keep us joined as branches to Christ, that we might bear fruit until the day He returns in glory; for He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: AMEN.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY "What Shall I Render to the Lord" *(p. 159)*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface *(p. 160 in the front of the hymnal)*

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer *(8:00 a.m. only)*

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" *(p. 163)*

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Savior of the Nations, Come" LSB 332

"I Lay My Sins on Jesus" LSB 606

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" *(p. 164)*

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

C: AMEN

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" LSB 348

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ORGANIST: Joshua Hua

LAY READER: Kris Sheffield

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

- Monday, November 29
 - 7:00 p.m. Men's Group
 - 7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
 - Wednesday, December 1
 - 9:30 a.m. Mom/Ladies Bible Study
 - 7:00 p.m. Dartball @ Home
 - 7:00 p.m. Advent Service
 - Saturday, December 4
 - 8:00 a.m. Confirmation Class
 - Sunday, December 5
 - 8:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 - 9:00 a.m. Worship
 - 10:15 a.m. Family Education Hour
- Kewaskum Christmas Parade**

DID YOU KNOW?

Please check the bulletin board for other announcements.

SHHHHH. . . THERE IS A "QUIET ROOM" AT ST. ANDREW in the back of the Sanctuary. It has a sound system and the service can be heard in that room. Please be considerate of the worshipful attitude of others and use it as necessary. It is there for your comfort and convenience.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

We have **reduced gluten communion wafers**. If you desire to receive one during communion, please identify yourself before the service to the Elder for that service so we can distribute one to you.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE: When you go to Texas Roadhouse in West Bend on a Sunday, take our church bulletin with you and they will donate 10% of your food purchases back to church.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - SUNDAYS: 6 a.m. WGN Chicago 720 AM; 6:30 a.m. WTKM Hartford 104.9 FM; 6:30 a.m. WTMJ Milwaukee 620 AM & 103.3 FM; 5 p.m. WJUB Plymouth 1420 AM; 9 a.m. WIBD West Bend 1470 AM

**Lutheran Church Radio Service – JOY/WJYI (1340 AM)
7 a.m. Sundays**

Please contact **Pastor Jon** (262)808-7974 if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: November 28 – December 4

BIRTHDAYS: Todd Jantz, Joan Schlicht, Sandy Ruback, Kevin Falk
BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Ellen Slicker, Zach Brehmer,
Sydney Brehmer, Xander McKee

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER ADDITIONS: Nancy Neville (mother of Angie Sommer), Lois Dummann, Fred Legate, Family of David Reed, Betty Streng (Daughter of friend of Marty & Karen Gnatzig), John Schlicht

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Robert Oelke (son of Lee and Sharon Oelke), Deanna Kiel, Jerry Taft (brother of Al Taft), Ruby Gutschmidt (grandmother of Joseph Gutschmidt), Nancy Scardino (niece of Kathy Jeske), Herman Buehler (father of Bob Buehler)

SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Garrett Buth, William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant), David Taft (grandson of Al & Nancy Taft), Jared Barnard (nephew of Paul and Cindy Heinz, cousin of Aaron)

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1 Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us. **ALSO**, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Ken Betz & Randy Sheffield
NEXT SUNDAY: Randy Sheffield & Dave Brehmer

CLEANED THIS WEEK ENDING 11/27/2021: Ruthann Gray, Kathy Jeske, Josie Pfeiffer
COMING WEEK: Ruthann Gray, Pam Beaupre', Rory & Sue Hetzel

ALTAR GUILD FOR November: Pam Beaupre', Peggy Kriefall, Tracy Rochwite, Debbie Yenter

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Christmas Parades – We will be walking in the West Bend (November 28) & Kewaskum (December 5) Christmas Parades this year. We need help TODAY decorating the float. Please stay after bible study if you can help.

POINSETTIAS: If you haven't turned in your order envelope, please do so today or tomorrow. Please put your check, made payable to St. Andrew, in the envelope and put it in the offering plate or put it on the secretary's desk. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS *Child of Promise* is a joyful look at the miracle of Jesus' birth. God announced the coming Messiah to a wayward world. In Jesus Christ, that promise was fulfilled. The Advent devotions can be found at <https://www.lhm.org/advent/> or you can contact the office for a printed version (regular or large print versions available)

SCRIP Small denomination gift cards are once again available for Christmas stocking stuffers and great Christmas gifts! Plan ahead and place your order. December 19 will be the last order before Christmas and we'll have the cards at church on December 23. To see the current list of retailers, stop and see us or go to www.shopwithscrip.com.
Carla Peterson; Laurie Pree; Melissa Knox

CLEANING OF OUR CHURCH – For many years we have had wonderful volunteers doing the cleaning of our church & fellowship hall. Many have expressed the need to step down from this role at the end of the year. We are in desperate need of new volunteers to fill some of these spots. Each crew is 3-4 people and if we can get enough crews, it will be at most once a month.

GIVING TREE: The Giving Tree is up in the narthex. These simple items give the residents at Samaritan Home joy at Christmas time. Please return items in a gift bag with the tag attached by December 12.

Church Christmas Tree: We will be decorating with the Sunday school kids today. Stick around after service if you would like to help.

Care Ministry – We're starting something new! We are looking for some members that feel a calling to serve God in a very personal way in "Care Ministry". This is a one-on-one ministry to care for people that are going through a difficult time. You will be given training and will be working with Pastor. If you hear the call of the Holy Spirit in this area of ministry, please see Dan Berres after service or call him at 262-689-4584 to learn more.

Community Support: During November, we will be collecting money to ship the coats to Alaska. With rising shipping costs, the cost was way more than we anticipated and our donations will not cover the full amount. The mission trip group knows how much the homeless in Alaska would appreciate our warm donations. *Any amount donated over the cost of shipping will be given to the food pantry.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

“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. 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. 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.’

EPISTLE

Titus 1:1-4

Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness, in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began and at the proper time manifested in his word through the preaching with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Savior;

To Titus, my true child in a common faith:

Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:25-36

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

OUTDOOR HYMNS FOR Sunday, November 28

OPENING HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" LSB 357

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel

Shall come to thee,

O Israel!

2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
Who ord'rest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go. [Refrain]
3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the Law
In cloud and majesty and awe. [Refrain]
4. O come, Thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
Free them from Satan's tyranny
That trust Thy mighty pow'r to save,
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave. [Refrain]
5. O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery. [Refrain]

HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide" LSB 355 stanzas 1, 4, 6, 7

1. O Savior, rend the heavens wide;
Come down, come down with mighty stride;
Unlock the gates, the doors break down;
Unbar the way to heaven's crown.
4. O Fount of hope, how long, how long?
When will You come with comfort strong?
O come, O come, Your throne forego;
Console us in our vale of woe.

6. Sin's dreadful doom upon us lies;
Grim death looms fierce before our eyes.
O come, lead us with mighty hand
From exile to our promised land.

7. There shall we all our praises bring
And sing to You, our Savior King;
There shall we laud You and adore
Forever and forevermore.

OFFERTORY HYMN "What Shall I Render" LSB pages 159-160

What shall I render to the Lord
For all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
And will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation
And will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord
Now in the presence of all His people,
In the courts of the Lord's house,
In the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Savior of the Nations, Come" LSB 332

1. Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Sone, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.
2. Not by human flesh and blood,
By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh –
Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.
3. Here a maid was found with child,
Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown:
God was there upon His thrown.
4. Then stepped forth the Lord of all
From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man,
His heroic course began.

5. God the Father was His source,
Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down,
Back then to His throne and crown.
6. For You are the Father's Son
Who in flesh the vic'try won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole
All our ills of flesh and soul.
7. From the manger newborn light
Shine in glory through the nigh.
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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "I Lay My Sins on Jesus" LSB 606

1. I lay my sins on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us
From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus
To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious
Till not a spot remains.
2. I lay my wants on Jesus;
All fulness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases;
My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases;
He all my sorrows shares.

3. I rest my soul on Jesus,
This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces;
I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes
His name abroad is poured.

CLOSING HYMN

"The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" LSB 348

1. The King shall come when morning dawns
And light triumphant breaks,
When beauty gilds the eastern hills
And life to joy awakes.
2. Not as of old a little child,
To bear and fight and die,
But crowned with glory like the sun
That lights the morning sky.
3. Oh, brighter than the rising morn
When Christ, victorious rose
And left the lonesome place of death
Despite the rage of foes.
4. Oh, brighter than that glorious morn
Shall dawn upon our race
The day when Christ in splendor comes
And we shall see His face.
5. The King shall come when morning dawns
And light and beauty brings.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:
Come quickly, King of kings!