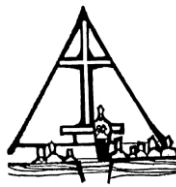


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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2016

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book – Holy Communion Setting One

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children's Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

Bold Print – indicates congregation responds as a whole

* – indicates congregation should stand as able

PRELUDE

A La Ru

Garrett Parker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* ELW # 240
Verse One only Sung by Cantor

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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***OPENING HYMN**

People, Look East

ELW # 248

***GREETING**

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***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Glory to God

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 2:1-5

O.T. p. 631



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PSALM – Psalm 122

Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.

*Congregation responds with the **bold verses**.*

The image shows the first two lines of musical notation for Psalm 122. The first line is a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time, with the lyrics "I was glad when they said to me,". The second line is also a single staff in G major and 4/4 time, with the lyrics "Let us go to the house of the LORD." The music consists of simple, rhythmic patterns.

I was glad when they | said to me,

"Let us go to the house | of the LORD."

²**Now our | feet are standing
within your gates, | O Jerusalem.**

³Jerusalem is built | as a city
that is at unity | with itself;

⁴**to which the tribes go up, the tribes | of the LORD,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name | of the LORD. R**

⁵For there are the | thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the | house of David.

⁶**Pray for the peace | of Jerusalem:
"May they pros- | per who love you.**

⁷Peace be with- | in your walls
and quietness with- | in your towers.

⁸**For the sake of my kindred | and companions,
I pray for | your prosperity.**

⁹Because of the house of the | LORD our God,
I will seek to | do you good." **R**

SECOND LESSON Romans 13:11-14

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia

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***GOSPEL**

* (P) The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 24:36-44

N.T. p. 27

***(C) Glory to you, O Lord.**

* (P) The Gospel of our Lord.

***(C) Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace* ELW # 716

***SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

***APOSTLES' CREED** p. 127 (blue tab)

***WORD OF WELCOME**

Lydia, we welcome you to the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

OFFERING *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* Natalie Sleeth

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** *Let the Vineyards* ELW # 184

***OFFERING PRAYER** p. 107

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** p. 112

DISTRIBUTION

To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.

LAMB OF GOD p. 112

<i>The King Shall Come</i>	ELW # 260
<i>All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly</i>	ELW # 461
<i>Comfort, Comfort Now My People</i>	ELW # 256
<i>Blessed Be the God of Israel</i>	ELW # 250

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION** p. 114

***CLOSING HYMN** *Wake, Awake for Night is Flying* See Insert

***DISMISSAL** p. 115

POSTLUDE *People, Look East* Paul Taylor



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!



To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing. ***Worshipers unable to commune at the front of the church...Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring the Supper to you in your pew.***

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

Sunday, November 279:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education – Martin Luther
1:30pm MIA – Luther Exhibit
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Monday, November 28.....7:00pm Parish Planning Council (PPC) Meeting

Tuesday, November 29.....7:30pm Roca de Horeb

Wednesday, November 30.....6:45pm Midweek Advent Worship Service
7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 1.....6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:00pm 7th Day Adventists Prayer Group

Friday, December 26:00pm Roca de Horeb

Saturday, December 3.....6:00am – 4:00pm Roca de Horeb
9:30am 7th Day Adventists
5:30pm Roca de Horeb

Sunday, December 4.....9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Classes
11:00am Adult Education – Martin Luther
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.

Table Prayer:



We thank you, our creator, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. No gifts have we to offer for all your love imparts, but what you most would treasure, our humble, thankful hearts. Amen.

Stewardship Verse

Malachi 3:10



Bring the full tithe into the storehouse...and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.