# The First Sunday in Advent

# **November 27, 2022**

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Time for Silent prayer Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Hymn

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

# Service of the Word

Introit

Kyrie

Advent Hymn

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Gradual

Epistle

Alleluia

Gospel Response

Holy Gospel

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

Offertory

Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

The Preface and Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution and Pax Domini

Agnus Dei n

Communion Hymns \*\*

Post-Communion Canticle
Thanksgiving
Prayer, Salutation, Benedicamus and Benediction

**Matters of Importance** 

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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever you are and from

whatever walk of life you come -- we welcome you in Jesus' name. May you find in Him, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Do come again! If you have no Church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. The Pastor will be pleased to discuss membership with you. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and to sign our guest register in the narthex (please include full mailing address or email address). May

the Lord bless your worship with us today. We would be pleased to have you return again!



## Remember in your prayers:

• all who are sick, hospitalized, or shut in, especially all members of our church family, including: Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering, Bernice Edel,

Wilma Kroll, Annie Nernberg, Ruth Zimmer;

• Marie Mohr, who is hospitalized in Roblin;



- all affected by the coronavirus, including all who are unemployed or under-employed, that we not lose trust in our gracious heavenly Father and that He would bring an end to the pandemic according to His good and gracious will;
- all health care workers;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- the people of Ukraine, that peace be restored;
- Pastor Airton Glitz, who has accepted the call to Trinity, Churchbridge;
- our organists as they serve God's people;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- the pastor of our parish and all pastors of the synod;
- our neighbours and friends that they might respond favourably to our invitation to come meet Jesus in our midst.



# Holy Communion is celebrated today.

The Sacrament of the Altar is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself. Jesus Christ is

present in the sacrament by His Word and we receive His gifts through faith for the assurance of the forgiveness of our sins and for strength to live new life in Him.

Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it acknowledges God's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament.

For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.

Please mark the registration sheet for communion and worship attendance in the narthex. In the interim the use of communion registration cards will be suspended and have been removed from the pews. Those who are not yet confirmed are welcome to come to receive a blessing, but are asked to keep their hands folded.

Next Sunday is **Food Bank Sunday** and **LWMLC Mite Box** Sunday at St. Matthew's.

**Midweek Advent Services** begin this Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 P.M. The first service will be hosted at St. Matthew's. The theme is: "*Come, Lord Jesus*".

"Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest . . ." so begins the common table prayer. In the spirit of Revelation 22:20, during Advent services we will apply this petition to Advent devotions. Through short and simple daily practices we will learn to pray, "Come Lord Jesus" in a way that gives daily strength and hope.

"Daily devotions." That sounds like a huge challenge to many of us. Whether you are a household of one, two, three, or more, having daily devotions can be a struggle. Our Advent series will use God's word to equip disciples for this struggle and provide simple and effective ways to help meet this challenge. With God's help we can learn to daily pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," not only to daily bless our food but our lives, finding strength and hope in Jesus.

The hope and strength that Jesus gives comes in his victory over the "unholy trinity": the devil, our sinful nature, and the sinful world. This includes the promise of fully flourishing in the life to come. In this series we will explore how God's word teaches and guides us in following our victorious Lord as we look to him in daily devotion to his word.

"Advent" means "coming." During this season of Advent our focus will be on Jesus's "three comings" to save us—past, present, and future. Jesus has come and accomplished his saving work. He continues to come by the power of the Holy Spirit through the word and sacraments. He will come again on the last day for our final deliverance. This series will match Christ's three "comings" with his "overcoming" of the "unholy trinity," the enemies of his saving word.

If God is love, what are we to make of His wrath? Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled "Paradise Restored" based on Isaiah 11:1-10 next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour on 620/am at 7:30 AM or 940/am at 9:00 AM or 1250/am at 10:30 AM (MB time) or 810/am at 12:30 PM (MB time) or Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

At Jesus' feet last week				
	Grace	St. Matthew's		
Divine Service	19	50		
Communion	17	46		
Sunday School	?			
Bible Class		7		
Confirmation		3		

This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:				
Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.		
	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M.		
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's and live-streamed	11:30 A.M.		
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Landestreu	3:00 P.M.		
Tuesday	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's 4:00 P.	M - 5:30  P.M.		
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### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT FORMULA OF CONCORD, SOLID DECLARATION ARTICLE IV, GOOD WORKS

It is God's will that believers should walk in good works. Truly good works are not those that everyone does from a good intention, or are done according to human traditions, but those that God Himself has commanded in His Word. Also, truly good works are done not by our own natural powers, but in this way: when a person is reconciled with God and renewed by the Holy Spirit. Paul says, a person is "created in Christ Jesus for good works."

The good works of believers are pleasing and acceptable to God (although in this flesh they are impure and incomplete). They are acceptable for the sake of the Lord Christ, through faith, because the person is acceptable to God. There are works that apply to maintaining of external discipline and required of the unbelieving and unconverted. These works are commendable before the world and rewarded by God in this world with temporal blessings. Nevertheless, they are regarded by God as impure because of the corrupt nature and because the person is not reconciled with God. "A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit." It is also written, "for whatever does not proceed from faith is sin" (Romans 14:23). A person must be accepted by God, for the sake of Christ, if that person's works are to please Him. This is why St. Paul calls them true fruit of the Spirit. (paragraphs 7-9)

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# **Life Quotes**

"These two choices are vastly different: to give birth to a child or to abort it. But one thing is the same: to choose Jesus is to choose life. For Jesus holds every life—even the tiniest—in the nail-scarred palm of His hand."

Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois

A "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.



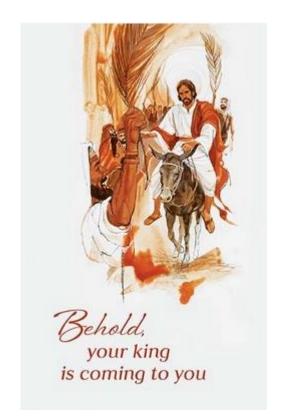
**About the Cover: Behold** (Christ Incarnate was able to be seen with human eyes and will be seen again, God in the flesh!), **your king** (Jesus is King of kings, who reigns over all, and at the same time is *our* king!) **is coming** (Jesus came on that first Christmas, He came into His Holy City to die and rise, and He will come again!) **to you** (He has done it all for you for your forgiveness and eternal life!).

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PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED,
RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING

# St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 11:30 A.M.

March 12, 2023 - November 5, 2023: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

# Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School – 10:30 A.M.

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