

# First Sunday in Advent

## *Ad Te Levai*

**28 November 2021 Anno Domini**  
8:15 am & 10:45 am



*“Hosanna to the Son of David!”*



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## Visitors & Guests

Thank you for attending! Please introduce yourself to one of the Pastors or Elders, sign our Visitors' Register in the Narthex and assist us in recording church attendance in the Record of Fellowship book in the pews.

## The Sacrament of the Altar

Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church teaches and believes that through the body and blood of Jesus Christ, offered under bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, God gives to His children the forgiveness of sins. Since this is a sacred meal, Advent distributes the Lord's Supper to communicants who have been prepared to receive it.

**If communing**, please prepare using pp. 308, 329-330 found in the front of our Hymnal.

- **If you are a member at an LCMS parish**, please speak with one of our pastors beforehand so that they may greet you and inform you accordingly regarding our practice.
- **If you are a visitor** and have not been confirmed or hold to a confession of faith that differs from Advent and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, please refrain from receiving the Lord's Supper until you have spoken with our pastor. You may come forward during Distribution to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.
- **Distribution** - If communing, at the appropriate time in the Divine Service, please approach the altar via the center aisle. When directed to a position at the rail, bow and kneel without waiting (you may also stand as needed). After you receive the Sacrament (or blessing), please stand, bow, and return to your pew via the side aisle. The final blessing will be made at the end of the distribution and the covering of the elements.

### **Please see an Usher for help locating:**

- Hearing assistive devices for use during worship are available in the Narthex.
- Wheelchairs are available upon request.
- Restrooms are located to the left of the Narthex as you enter the church.
- The Nursery and Cry Room provide quiet places for active or crying children and are equipped to broadcast our services.

**Coffee & Donuts** served every Sunday in between the early and late service in the Fellowship Hall.

**Join us for Bible Study every Sunday morning** in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45-10:30am.

**Covid Response Plan Update** An email was sent on May 20<sup>th</sup> informing the congregation of our "return to normal." It is also available on our website. We will continue to monitor the pandemic but prayerfully hope that it is behind us. Thank you for your patience and support as we have safely navigated such trials together in Christ.

## *Advent Announcements*

To receive **Advent Announcements via email** every Friday, sign up at [adventlutheran.org](http://adventlutheran.org) on our "Contact Us" page. Or contact the office at 317-873-6318 and email [info@adventlutheran.org](mailto:info@adventlutheran.org)

## *Worship Broadcasts*

**Sunday services & Bible Class will continue to be streamed online through our YouTube channel.**

To view the service or Bible Study online, visit our homepage at [www.adventlutheran.org](http://www.adventlutheran.org) and click on the YouTube link. Videos are streamed "live" or you may watch them any time.

## *The Congregation at Prayer*

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer is included on the last two pages of this bulletin.

## **Flower Calendar**

Thank you to our sponsors for Altar Flowers this week: *Advent Lutheran Church*

To sponsor upcoming flowers:

Please make out a check to Advent Lutheran Church with the memo of "Altar Flowers" or "Flowers" and claim the date on the Flower Calendar hanging in the hallway near the library!

Single Side- \$30

Both Sides- \$60

\*Checks may be dropped off to the office or mailed in.

# First Sunday in Advent *Ad Te Levai*

## Today's Readings:

Jeremiah 23:5–8

Romans 13:(8–10) 11–14

Matthew 21:1–9



## ***The Lord Jesus Comes in Humility to Redeem Us***

The new Church Year begins by focusing on the humble coming of our Lord.

“Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey” (Matt.

21:5). Even as He was born in a lowly manger, so Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a

beast of burden. For He bears the sin of the world. He is the Son of David riding to His enthronement on the

cross, where He shows Himself to be “The LORD is our Righteousness” (Jer. 23:5–6). Our Lord still comes in

great humility to deliver His righteousness to us in the Word and Sacraments. Before receiving Christ’s body

and blood, we also sing, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” (Matt.

21:9) And as we receive the Sacrament, we set our hearts on His return in glory, for “our salvation is nearer to

us now than when we first believed” (Rom. 13:11).

## **Savior of the Nations, Come #332**

In the fourth century, a lawyer named Ambrose was appointed Roman consul of Liguria and Aemilia. He moved to Milan, Italy, to take up this appointment, little knowing how his life would soon change. Not long after Ambrose’s arrival, the bishop of Milan died. Since this bishop had sadly allied himself with a group of heretics, there was great concern about who the next bishop should be. While a great crowd was debating what should be done, someone shouted out that Ambrose should be bishop. Though at the time he was a layman and a catechumen, Ambrose was elected as bishop of Milan and compelled to accept the position. He was consecrated bishop just a week after he was baptized.

This zealous man did much for Christianity. He introduced the Eastern Church’s custom of hymn singing into the Western Church and is known as the father of Latin hymnody. He also was very influential in battling Arianism, a heresy that claimed that Jesus was not fully God and not equal with the Father. This was the teaching that had beguiled his predecessor. Because of this concern, and his pastoral heart, Ambrose was very interested in the instruction of the laity. He combined his love of music and theology to craft songs that proclaimed Christian truths simply. His hymn “Savior of the Nations, Come” tells the story of the incarnation of the Son of God, who is truly and fully God.

Nearly 12 centuries later, Martin Luther, like Ambrose, was concerned for the layperson’s understanding. He also joined Ambrose in thinking that music was a powerful tool for education. Luther said that he gave music the “highest place, next to theology” because he saw just what a beautiful and powerful thing it was. Luther probably translated this hymn into German for Advent 1523. His translation appears in the two earliest Lutheran hymnals of 1524.

## **In His Service Today:**

**P** Rev. Marcus Mackay, Sr. Pastor

**A** Rev. James Grady, Asst. Pastor

Choir Director: Deb Trewartha

Organist/Kantor: Phil Lehman

Audio/Visual: Ryan Scrogam

### **8:15am**

Greeter: OPEN

Acolyte: Nikolas Kazmierczak

Altar Guild: Deborah Riedweg, Jen Siukola

Ushers: Malachi Mackay, Micah Mackay,  
Tom Casciani

Elders Keith Mundrick

### **10:45am**

Greeter: Lestine Grady

Acolyte: Lance Graves

Altar Guild: Jen Siukola, Janet Johnson

Ushers: Dave Siukola, Don Hahn,  
Eric Hodges

Elders: Matt Comer

### **SIGN UP TO HELP SERVE**

***Acolytes, Crucifers, Greeters, Ushers & Altar Guild***

Simply open your camera app, point your phone

at the QR Code, click the pop up, and sign up!

Or email [info@adventlutheran.org](mailto:info@adventlutheran.org) to sign up with our office manager!



**Propers for the First Sunday in Advent**  
*Divine Service starts on page 184 in the front of the hymnal.*

**Introit**

*Psalm 25:4–5, 21–22; antiphon: vv. 1–3a*



**A** *To you, O LORD, I lift | up my soul.\**

*O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.*

**C** **Let not my enemies exult | over me.\***

**Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame.**

**A** *Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;\**

*teach me | your paths.*

**C** **Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;\***  
**for you I wait all the | day long.**

**A** *May integrity and uprightness pre- | serve me,\**

*for I | wait for you.*

**C** **Redeem Israel, | O God,\***  
**out of all his | troubles.**



**C** **Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;**



**as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.**

**Collect of the Day**

**P** 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 Reading**

*Jeremiah 23:5–8*

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

<sup>7</sup>“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ <sup>8</sup>but ‘As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Trumpet: Jennifer Siukola

*Gabriel's message does away Satan's curse and Satan's sway,  
out of darkness brings our Day: So, behold, all the gates of heaven unfold.*

*He that comes despised shall reign; He that cannot die, be slain;  
death by death its death shall gain: So, behold, all the gates of heaven unfold.*

*Weakness shall the strong confound; by the hands, in grave clothes wound,  
Adam's chains shall be unbound. So, behold, all the gates of heaven unfold.*

*By the sword that was his own, by that sword, and that alone,  
shall Goliath be overthrown: So, behold, all the gates of heaven unfold.*

*Art by art shall be assailed; to the cross shall Life be nailed;  
from the grave shall hope be hailed: So, behold, all the gates of heaven unfold.*

**Epistle***Romans 13:11–14*

<sup>11</sup>Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia & Verse***Ps. 85:7*

Al-le-lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al-le-lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al-le-lu - ia!

**A** Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.



Al-le-lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al-le-lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al-le-lu - ia!

**Holy Gospel***Matthew 21:1–9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion,

‘Behold, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Advent Merchandise

Advent promotional items from the Evangelism Board are still available. To purchase, please email the office at [info@adventlutheran.org](mailto:info@adventlutheran.org) with the number of items you would like to purchase.

Payment may be dropped off at the church office M-F between 8:00am-4:00 pm. Cash will be accepted (exact amount only) or you may make a check payable to Advent Lutheran Church.

- Blue metallic pen with Advent's name \$1
- Oval static decal for your car with logo \$3

Thank you for promoting Advent!



**Sunday Worship-** 8:15 am & 10:45 am

**Sunday Adult Bible Study-** 9:45 am

**Wednesdays in Advent** 12/1, 12/8 & 12/15

**Meal 6:00pm Vespers 7:00pm Classes 7:45pm**

**Our theme this year: "Symbols of Salvation"**

**Please join us after the early service for  
Coffee & Fellowship!**

### VOTERS MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT- Sunday, December 5, 2021

A **voters meeting** will be held on **Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 9:45 am** in the Fellowship Hall with the objective to act on a resolution to affirm, support, and implement the proposal from the School Expansion Committee. Some details and events leading up to this meeting:

- A report and associated recommendations from the School Expansion Committee has been presented to Church Council.
- The report and recommendations were **unanimously** endorsed by Church Council on Nov. 8, 2021.
- The report is available for you to review via emailed announcements and also on the Narthex table.
- A **Question-and-Answer** session (Townhall Format) will be conducted on **November 28, 2021** during the Adult Bible Study time in the Fellowship Hall (9:45-10:30). The members of the Committee and Church Council will address your questions and concerns related to the report and resolutions.

The agenda for the voters meeting on **Sunday, December 5** will be to act on resolutions to affirm, support and implement the proposal from the School Expansion Committee. - *Monte Weimer, Chairman*

### YOUTH MUSIC- Attention Parents!

- **On Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, Dress Rehearsal for the Sunday School Christmas Program**
- **On Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday School Christmas Program** will occur during the Sunday School hour. We will be practicing during Sunday School each Sunday from now on, so please be sure to have your child attend practices to be prepared for the program.

### OFFICE MANAGER/ADMIN ASST- Part-time Position Available December 2021!

We are now accepting applications for a **Part-time Office Manager** to fill in for Adrienne Brandon while on Maternity Leave. This position will average **20 hr/week and is ideal for anyone looking for a flexible, part-time position** or for those with kids in school. Please email us for more information.

### LCFS CHRISTMAS STORE- Volunteer Opportunities

Previously Advent Church youth and adults volunteered to help unload the truck of gifts and set up the Christmas Store for LCFS. While there are enough volunteers this year to unload and set up, there are **several other volunteer slots available**. Please use the link in emailed announcements to volunteer to help in the Christmas store and for a list of opportunities.

### 55+ GROUP- Meeting December 8, 2021 at 11:30am

The 55+ Group meets in the library on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 11:30am. If you'd like to participate, or would like more info, contact deaconess intern Jen Siukola at [jsiukola@adventlutheran.org](mailto:jsiukola@adventlutheran.org) or 765-894-1791.

### BOOK CLUB- December 9, 2021

On December 9th at 6:30 pm we will be discussing "*The Little Paris Bookshop*" by Nina George. Our hostess and leader will be Linda Harris (8327 Spring Ridge Lane, Indianapolis, IN). Please bring an appetizer to share and a wrapped ornament. "*The Rose Code*" by Kate Quinn will be the book we will read in January.

# The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

**First Sunday in Advent – November 28, 2021**

**Review or learn by heart from Luther’s Small Catechism:** Lord’s Prayer—Second and Third Petitions

**Verse of the week:** John 10:27-28 “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.”

**Daily Prayer LSB pp 294-298:** Pray and confess out loud.

**Daily Prayer – For Individuals and Families:** As you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Use the one appropriate for the time of day your devotion takes place. Include the Apostles Creed before The Lord’s Prayer if the setting you regularly use does not include it so as to confess it daily. Learn by heart the catechism, and hymn of the week.

	<b>Bible Narrative</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Triumphal Entry—Matthew 21:1-9</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	Jesus Teaches Us to Pray in the Sermon on the Mount—Mt. 6:5-15	1 Thess. 5:12-28
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jesus’ High Priestly Prayer—John 17:1-26	Hebrews 4:11-16
	<b>St Andrew, Apostle—John 1:35-42a</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	My House Is a House of Prayer—Mark 11:12-26	
<b>Thursday</b>	Watch and Pray—Luke 21:25-36	Colossians 1:3-14
<b>Friday</b>	Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane—Matthew 26:36-45	Philippians 1:3-11
<b>Saturday</b>	Sunday’s OT and Epistle—Malachi 4:1-6	Romans 15:4-13
<b>Sundays Lectionary Readings</b>	Jer. 23:5-8; Psalm 24; Romans 13:8-10, 11-14; Matthew 21:1-9	

**Psalm 24; antiphon: v. 7**

Merciful Lord, I confess all my sins to You, trusting in Your promises. Forgive me, for Jesus’ sake. Amen.  
(Prayer from *The Lutheran Study Bible*)

**Hymn of the Week: LSB 332 Savior of the Nations, Come**

The tune can be found on the web. Search “NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILLAND”

<b>Daily Psalms</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Morning	42, 43	45	48, 49	51	54, 56	59	60, 61
Evening	44	46, 47	50	52, 53	55	57, 58	62

**Weekly 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.

## Daily Themes for Prayer:

- Sunday:** Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; and for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word.
- Monday:** Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for your calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for government; and for peace.
- Tuesday:** Pray for deliverance against temptation; for the addicted and the despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; and for those struggling with besetting sins.
- Wednesday:** Pray for marriage and family, that all may live together under the grace of Christ according to the Word of God; for parents who must rear their children alone; and for godly school, our church schools, and seminaries.
- Thursday:** Pray for the Church and her pastors; for missionaries; and for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's body and blood.
- Friday:** Pray for the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for its spread throughout the whole world, especially in our community; and for the persecuted.
- Saturday:** Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the sick and dying; for the revival for those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; and for receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.

Specific prayer requests may now be found in the announcements that are emailed weekly to all members.

### *Next Week at Advent*

**Next Sunday – Second Sunday in Advent – December 5, 2021**

Hymns Next Week: 873, 336, 621 – 659 – 643, 333

Texts: *Mal. 4:1-6; Psalm 50:1-15; Romans 15:4-13; Luke 21:25-36*

#### **11/21 - SUNDAY**

8:15 am	Divine Service
9:35 am	Sunday School
9:45 am	Bible Study, Coffee & Donuts
10:45 am	Divine Service



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