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The Congregation at Prayer

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

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Today's Readings:

Isaiah 11:1–5

Galatians 4:1–7

Luke 2:(22–32) 33–40



The Seed of David Comes to His Temple

A Rod has come forth from the stem of Jesse (Is. 11:1–5)—the Seed of David whose kingdom shall be established forever (2 Sam. 7:1–16). In the fullness of time, God sent forth His Son Jesus to redeem us from the judgment of the Law (Gal. 4:1–7). Now He is presented in the temple in fulfillment of the Law and revealed to be “*a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel*” (Luke 2:22–40). Christ has enlightened us in baptism, giving us to be adopted as sons of God and heirs of eternal life. Receiving the Holy Sacrament of His body and blood, we are prepared to depart this world in peace, for our eyes have seen the salvation of God in Him.

Hymn of the Day

Let All Together Praise Our God

LSB 389

At the time of the Reformation, a mining town in Bohemia called Joachimsthal strongly supported Lutheranism. Over time they became known for their support of the arts. In particular, many hymns came from this area. A teacher named Nicolaus Herman (1480–1561) taught at the Latin school there. In time, he also became kantor of the local Lutheran parish and was well known for his musical ability. Herman developed a close relationship with his pastor, Johann Mathesius. Pastor Mathesius knew Luther well from his days as a student at Wittenberg. Herman often transformed ideas from Mathesius' sermons into hymns. He did this not so much for the congregation as for children in his school, believing that such hymns would nurture their faith. Due to poor health, Herman retired early, but during the last 14 years of his life he wrote many hymns, including “Let All Together Praise Our God.” This hymn was part of a larger collection of hymns that were based on the Gospel Readings for each day of the Church Year. Herman published these, noting that the children and their fathers were his intended audience. Despite this intended use, several of Herman's hymns are still used in corporate worship today. Herman was a talented and accomplished musician, but he firmly believed that he was called to be a servant of the Word. His music was devoted to that purpose.

In His Service Today:

P Rev. Aaron Schultz, Headmaster & Assoc. Pastor

A Rev. Walt Ullman, Retired Pastor

Kantor/Organist: Phil Lehman

Choir Director: Deb Trewartha

Audio/Visual: Matthias Mackay

8:15am

10:45am

Greeter: OPEN

Altar Guild: Deborah Riedweg, Diane Mundrick

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS (LSB DS 3, p. 184)

Prelude & Tolling of Bells

Stand

Processional Hymn

Joy to the World

LSB 387

- 1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

- 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4 He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

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Confession & Absolution

LSB 184

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen**
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 93:1, 3–4; antiphon: vv. 5, 2



- A** Your decrees are very | trustworthy;*
holiness befits your house, O LORD, for- | evermore.
- C** **Your throne is established | from of old;***
you are from ever- | lasting.
- A** The LORD reigns; he is robed in | majesty;*
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength | as his belt.
- C** **Yes, the world is es- | tablished;***
it shall nev- | er be moved.
- A** The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted | up their voice;*
the floods lift up their | roaring.
- C** **Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves | of the sea,***
the LORD on high is | mighty!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son***
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- A** Your decrees are very | trustworthy;*
holiness befits your house, O LORD, for- | evermore.
- C** **Your throne is established | from of old;***
you are from ever- | lasting.

Kyrie

LSB 186

- C** **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

- P** Glory be to God on high:
C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**
P Let us pray.
O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 45:2a, 1b

C You are the most handsome of the | sons of men;*
grace is poured up- | on your lips.
I address my verses | to the king;*
my tongue is like the pen of a | ready scribe.

Epistle

Galatians 4:1–7

¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia & Verse

LSB 190



C Al - le - lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia!
A The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.
C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:33–40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.

⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

[C] I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and
invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all
worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the
Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our
salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy
Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the
Father.

And He will come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian
and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of
the dead
and the life \div of the world to come.
Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

Let All Together Praise Our God

LSB 389

- 1 Let all together praise our God
Before His glorious throne;
Today He opens heav'n again
To give us His own Son,
To give us His own Son.
- 2 He leaves His heav'nly Father's throne,
Is born an infant small,
And in a manger, poor and lone,
Lies in a humble stall,
Lies in a humble stall.
- 3 Within an earthborn form He hides
His all-creating light;
To serve us all He humbly cloaks
The splendor of His might,
The splendor of His might.
- 4 He undertakes a great exchange,
Puts on our human frame,
And in return gives us His realm,

- His glory, and His name,
His glory, and His name.
- 5 He is a servant, I a lord:
How great a mystery!
How strong the tender Christ Child's love!
No truer friend than He,
No truer friend than He.
- 6 He is the key and He the door
To blessèd paradise;
The angel bars the way no more.
To God our praises rise,
To God our praises rise.
- \triangle 7 Your grace in lowliness revealed,
Lord Jesus, we adore
And praise to God the Father yield
And Spirit evermore;
We praise You evermore.

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

- ☩ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Sit

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

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Preface

LSB 194

- ☐** The Lord be with you.
☩ And with thy spirit.
☐ Lift up your hearts.
☩ We lift them up unto the Lord.
☐ Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
☩ It is meet and right so to do.
☐ It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195

- ☩ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is
He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

- ☐** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
☩ For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

- ☐** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 197

- ☐** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
☩ Amen.

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
 grant us Thy peace.
 Amen.

Sit

Distribution Hymn***In His Temple Now Behold Him*****LSB 519**

- 1 In His temple now behold Him,
 See the long-expected Lord;
 Ancient prophets had foretold Him,
 God has now fulfilled His word.
 Now to praise Him, His redeemed
 Shall break forth with one accord.
- 2 In the arms of her who bore Him,
 Virgin pure, behold Him lie
 While His aged saints adore Him

Ere in perfect faith they die.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Lo, the incarnate God Most High!

- 3 Jesus, by Your presentation,
 When they blessed You, weak and poor,
 Make us see Your great salvation,
 Seal us with Your promise sure;
 And present us in Your glory
 To Your Father, cleansed and pure.

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Distribution Hymn***Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*****LSB 378**

- 1 Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,
 And usher in the morning.
 Ye shepherds, shrink not with affright,
 The day of grace is dawning.
 This Child, though weak in infancy,
 Our confidence and joy shall be,
 The pow'r of Satan breaking,
 Our peace with God now making.
- 2 O dearest Child, whom I adore,
 Whose grace surpasses measure,
 My Brother, whom I cherish more
 Than earth with all its treasure:
 Haste from Thy manger to depart,

O come and dwell within my heart;
 With joy will I receive Thee,
 A cradle there will give Thee.

- 3 All blessing, thanks, and praise to Thee,
 Lord Jesus Christ, be given:
 Thou hast my Brother deigned to be,
 Thou Lord of earth and heaven.
 Help me throughout this day of grace
 To praise Thy love and seek Thy face;
 And when I stand before Thee
 Forever to adore Thee.

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Distribution Hymn***In Peace and Joy I Now Depart*****LSB 938**

- 1 In peace and joy I now depart
 Since God so wills it.
 Serene and confident my heart;
 Stillness fills it.
 For the Lord has promised me
 That death is but a slumber.
- 2 Christ Jesus brought this gift to me,
 My faithful Savior,
 Whom You have made my eyes to see
 By Your favor.
 Now I know He is my life,
 My friend when I am dying.
- 3 You sent the people of the earth
 Their great salvation;

Your invitation summons forth
 Ev'ry nation
 By Your holy, precious Word,
 In ev'ry place resounding.

- 4 Christ is the hope and saving light
 Of those in blindness;
 He guides and comforts those in night
 By His kindness.
 For Your people Israel
 In Him find joy and glory.

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Stand

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace and with great joy, your sins are forgiven.
- C** Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

- C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving & Collect

LSB 200

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.
- A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Salutation & Benedicamus

LSB 202

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.
A Bless we the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
C Amen, amen, amen.

Recessional Hymn

O Sing of Christ

LSB 362

- 1 O sing of Christ, whose birth made known
The kindness of the Lord,
Eternal Word made flesh and bone
So we could be restored.
Upon our frail humanity
God's finger chose to trace
The fullness of His deity,
The icon of His grace.
- 2 What Adam lost, none could reclaim,
And Paradise was barred
Until the second Adam came
To mend what sin had marred.
For when the time was full and right
God sent His only Son;
He came to us as life and light
And our redemption won.

- 3 He came to that which was His own,
But He was not received;
Yet still through Him God's glory shone,
And some His name believed.
To these He gave the right to be
The heirs of heav'n above,
Born not of human ancestry
But born of God in love.
- 4 Lord Jesus Christ, You deigned to dwell
Among us here on earth
As God with us, Emmanuel,
To bring this holy birth.
Though rich, You willingly became
One with our poverty,
That we might share Your wealth and name
For all eternity!

Postlude

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer First Sunday after Christmas – December 31, 2023

Review or learn by heart from Luther's Small Catechism: Lord's Prayer—Fifth and Sixth Petitions

Verse of the week: Galatians 5:17 The flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

Daily Prayer LSB p. 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.

	Bible Narrative	Second Reading
SUN	Christmas 1: The Presentation—Luke 2:22-40	
MON	Circumcision and Name of Jesus—Luke 2:21	Galatians 3:23-29
TUE	The Epiphany of Our Lord—Matthew 2:1-12	Numbers 24:15-19
WED	The Flight into Egypt—Matthew 2:13-15	Hosea 11:1-4
THU	The Slaughter of the Holy Innocents—Matthew 2:16-18	Jeremiah 31:10-17
FRI	The Holy Family Returns to Nazareth—Matthew 2:19-23	Judges 13:2-24
SAT	The Ark Is Brought into the Temple—1 Kings 8:6-13	Romans 12:1-5
SUN Readings	2 Sam. 7:1-16 or Isaiah 11:1-5; Psalm 89:1-8; Gal. 4:1-7; Luke 2:22-40	

Psalm 89:1–8; antiphon: v. 8

“Blessed be the Lord Forever!” Preserve the faithful, O Lord, and provide for their future security and service. Amen and Amen.

Hymn of the Week: *LSB 389 – “Let All Together Praise Our God”*

The tune can be found on the web. Search “LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN”

Daily Psalms	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Morning	119:1-24	119:49-72	119:89-112	119:137-152	122, 123	125, 126	128, 129
Evening	119:25-48	119:73-88	119:113-136	119:153-176	124	127	130

Weekly Collect - O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Upcoming Calendar

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* 1/7

Epiphany Divine Service Saturday 5:00pm

1st Sunday a. Epiphany 8:15am & 10:45am with Bible Class & SS

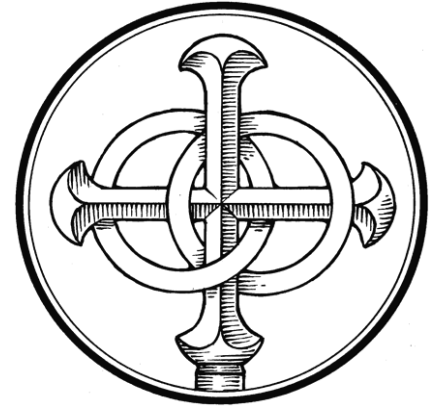
Daily Themes for Prayer

- 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 Advent Announcements that are emailed weekly to all. Please contact the church office to be added to the Prayers List.

NEXT WEEK

1st Sun. after Epiphany
January 7, 2024



SUNDAY

8:15am Divine Service
9:45am Bible Study
10:45am Divine Service

Hymns:

402, 410, 624-523-936, 401

Texts:

Is. 42:1-7, Psalm 85,
1 Cor. 1:26-31, Matt. 3:13-17

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¹⁶But Jesus called them to him, saying,
“**Let the children come** to me, and do not hinder them,
for to such belongs the kingdom of God.”
-Luke 18:16



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