

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✘ First Sunday of Advent ✘ November 27, 2016

Today we begin the new church year with the First Sunday of Advent. Advent, which means “coming,” is a season of hoping, waiting, yearning and preparing, but for what and for whom? In many old Lutheran liturgies, the story of Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem was the gospel story read on this Sunday. It was a colorful reminder, that it is not simply a “baby in Bethlehem” entering into our story, but it is a savior who comes in the name of the Lord.



*Inspired by Christ,
living and growing in faith,
we are a loving and open community
of worship, witness, and service in God’s world.*



✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Concerto in D, 1st Movement

Giuseppe Torelli /arr. Rondeau

**Choral Call
to Worship**

Hosianna

G. J. Vogler

Welcome

*Sing Hosanna, David's Son! O, welcome him with song!
Sing Hosanna David's Son, who comes in the name of the Lord!
Sing Hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna in the highest.
Sing Hosanna David's Son, who comes in the name of the Lord.*

✠ Confession and Forgiveness ✠

P: Throughout the season of Advent we prepare ourselves to receive the King of glory anew. Therefore, let us come before God with open hearts.

**Penitential
Rite**

*Please stand as
you are able.*

1,3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Chris - te e - le - i - son.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Confession

P: Most merciful God,
C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

Words of Absolution

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Lift, Up Your Heads



1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold, the
2 Oh, blest the land, the cit - y blest, where Christ the
3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
4 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to
5 So come, my Sov - 'reign; en - ter in! Let new and



King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is
rul - er is con - fessed! Oh, hap - py hearts and
tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
thee: here, Lord, a - bide! Let me thy in - ner
no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spir - it



draw - ing near; the Sav - ior of the world is here.
hap - py homes to whom this King in tri - umph comes!
heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.
guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

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**

Please be seated.

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe.

C: **You call the nations to walk in your light and to seek you ways of justice and peace, for the night is past and the dawn of your coming is near.**

**Dismissal
Song**

*The song will be
sung twice.*

Romans 13:11-14

*Paul compares the
advent of Christ to
the coming of
dawn. We live our
lives today in
lights of Christ's
coming in the
future.*

*Please stand as
you are able.*

Matthew 21:1-9

- L: Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.
C: **Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes and welcome him into our hearts and homes,**
L: for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

Dear Jesus lead us to your bed, In Bethlehem we pray.
A candle we shall light, O Lord, To Guide us on our way.

Sing, Hosanna, Thou Son of David

Franz Tunder 1614-1667

Lesson

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

- R: Word of God, Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Bass Solo and Chorus

How blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Sing, Hosanna!

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." ⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

- P: The Gospel of our Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Congregation
may be seated.

Hymn of the Day

Please stand as
you are able.

Please be seated



Duet and Chorus

How blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Sermon

O Zion Acclaim Your Redeemer

With exaltation



1. O Zi - on ac-claim your Re-deem-er! Je - ru - sa-lem, wel-come your King!
2. He comes from the joys of the a - ges, He leaves His do-min- ion sub-lime,
3. He comes as a ran-som most ho - ly, He dies on the cross for the world;
4. He comes from the tomb as a Vic - tor, The shad-ows of death clear a - way;
5. He comes to the sor-row-ing bos-om And life is re-newed by His hand.



Strew palms on the way for the Sav-ior, His prais-es ex-ult-ant-ly sing.
 From glo-ry to Beth-le-hem's man-ger He comes in the full-ness of time.
 Re-demp-tion from sin is ac-com-plished, His ban-ner of light is un-furled.
 The slum-ber-ing saints are a - wak-ened, A-roused from their sleep in the clay.
 He comes to es-tab-lish a king-dom That shall through e-ter-ni-ty stand.



REFRAIN



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice in your Sav - ior and King! Re -



joice! Re - joice! Ac - claim Him your Sav - ior and King!



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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Railay Ann Holzschuh

Parents: Christopher and Hannah Holzschuh
 Sponsors: Meg Anhalt and Brian Boyer

Please be seated

Profession of Faith

- P:** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce of evil, the devil and all his empty promises?
- C:** I do
- P:** Do you believe in God the Father?
- C:** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C:** I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- P:** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C:** I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Thanksgiving at the Font

Congregation may be seated.

Baptism

- C:** We welcome you into 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.

Baptism Hymn

(Please join in singing the refrain.)



The Baptismal Song Lisa Holt Thompson

You are re - born you are made new;
 You are God's chi - ld to - day. - - - You are washed in the
 wa - ter Blessed by the Word, part of God's fam - ily to stay.



Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Offering

Concerto in D, 3rd Movement

Giuseppe Torelli /arr. Rondeau

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Offertory

Please stand as you are able.



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and



take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un-to me the



joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12
Music: FRANCKE, J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

Offertory Prayer

A: Savior of the nations, come. Make your home here in us. Feed us with your love, that our faith shine ever new and our lives reveal your light.

C: **Amen.**

✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Per Harling, b. 1948
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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

C: **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.**

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table is ready. All are welcome.

Please be seated

Lamb of God

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown
Music: CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

(During the season of Advent and Christmas, we will use the traditional words for the Lord's Prayer.)

Wake, Awake

Franz Tunder

*Wake, awake, for night is flying; The watchmen on the heights are crying;
Awake, Jerusalem, at last! Midnight hears the welcome voices
And at the thrilling cry rejoices; Come forth, ye virgins, night is past;
The Bridegroom comes, awake; Your lamps with gladness take; Alleluia!
And for His marriage feast prepare For ye must go and meet Him there.*

*Zion hears the watchmen singing, And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom; For her Lord comes down all glorious,
The strong in grace, in truth victorious. Her Star is risen, her Light is come.
Ah come, Thou blessèd One, God's own belovèd Son: Sing, hosanna! We follow till
the halls we see Where Thou hast bid us sup with Thee.*

Distribution

Communion is by common cup or intinction: For the common cup, receive a piece of the bread, and drink from the white chalice. For intinction dip the bread into the brown cup with the wine (dark) or grape juice (light) as

Communion Music

you prefer, then eat. At Lake of the Isles, we practice open communion. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are welcome at this table.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: God for whom we wait, you come to us in the broken bread and the cup we share. Make us ready always to welcome Christ into our hearts, and send us forth to be your people in the world, announcing your coming among us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

✠ SENDING ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

ELW #241 Vss 1 & 4

Sung to the tune Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Sing, Hosanna

*How blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Sing Hosanna in the highest.*

You are invited to remain for the Postlude to enjoy this musical offering of thanksgiving and praise or leave quietly.

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Please stand as you are able.



Sending Hymn

WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

**YOUR WORSHIP
LEADERS TODAY**

Pastor	Rev. Arden D. Haug
Organist	Kenneth Vigne
Choir Director	Dawn Allan
Worship Assistant	Mark Waldeland
Baptism Song:	Mark Waldeland and Kathy Hering
Ushers	Don Holzschuh and Mark Duff
Altar Servers	Kathy Hering and Margaret Coleman
Reader	Janna Haug
Communion Assts	Linda Nelson, Mary Knoblauch and Carolyn Hagford
Coffee Hosts	Carol Kuehn, Vicki Kuehn-Larson and Rebecca Morell
Advent Wreath Candle Lighters	The Mechels Family
Conductor	Mischa Santora
Musicians:	Ben Alle, Brian Krinke, Ian Snyder, Nanette Goldman, Laurel Browne, Rolf Erdahl and Nicole Strydon
CHURCH OFFICERS	
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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29	5:15 pm	SA Support Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	AA Spiritual Recovery Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA Group	Room 56
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30	10:00 am	No Bible Study	Christy Room
	12:00 pm	No Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	Christy Room
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1	12:00 pm	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2	6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	6:00 pm	Our Saviour's Shelter Meal	OSH
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3	4:00 pm	McFaggen/Boland Wedding	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion and Sunday School	Sanctuary
	10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Nancy McCutcheon
11/28

Vitali Haug
11/30

STAFFED NURSERY

Children are always welcome in worship, however, if the need arises, the Christy Room is available for you and your child. Worship services are broadcast into the

room so you can stay connected. The Christy Room is located to the left of the sanctuary through the side door at the front of the church and across from the church office. If you need assistance, please ask one of the ushers to help you. There is a baby changing table available in the unisex restroom between the pastor's office and the sacristy.

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your

prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

Lucy Miller, Marlene Wilson, Maxine Peitso, Shirley Carlson, Cheri Moe, Alice Gunter, Jane Schuldt, LOTI members; Judy Reay and Lynne Williamson, friends of the Kuehn Family; Maria Gonzalez, friend of Cheri Moe; Connor Miller, nephew of Michelle McCreery and Mark Duff; Ruth Sabatke, mother of Bruce Sabatke.

<p>Loved Ones In The Military Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.</p>	
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FAMILY FAITH (ADVENT) 'TURES TODAY AT 10:45 A.M.

This annual event will be held after worship in Fellowship Hall today. We are putting a new twist on the event this year and adding a fun Advent scavenger hunt (plus a really cool craft). We will also be assembling the college care packages for our college age members. This is an intergenerational event for "kids" of all ages. We hope you can come!!

CHRISTMAS TEA AND COOKIE SALE MEETING DECEMBER 4TH 11:00 A.M.

The tea and cookie sale will be held on Sunday, December 11th. Please call or e-mail Margaret Coleman (mmbcoleman01@gmail.com) 612 802-3186 or Wendy Westerberg (teegan101@yahoo.com) 612 388-3717 if you can help with one or both of these events.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION THANK YOU

Thank you also to Lee and Marlene Wilson for providing the beautiful Christmas pots that sit on either

side of the side entrance door on W. 21st Street. We really appreciate how it dresses up that entrance to the church.

SCANDINAVIAN JULBORD DECEMBER 18

NOON AND 4:00 P.M. SEATINGS

Please call the church office to make your reservation for the next Scandinavian Smorgasbord. Tickets are \$32 each for adults, \$15 for children 5 to 12 years old and children under the age of 5 are free. The menu for December is posted in Fellowship Hall and by the 21st St. entrance to the church.

EXTENDED CALENDAR OF LOTI CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS



December 4

St. Nicholas Day Worship

December 11

Lessons and Carols
Christmas Tea and Cookie Sale

December 18

Children's Christmas Pageant
Santa Lucia
Traditional JULBORD
"Christmas Smorgasbord"
12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

December 24

Christmas Eve
Family Service at 4:30 p.m.
Candlelight Service at 10:00 p.m.

December 25

Christmas Day Service
10:00 a.m.

December 26 & 27

Church Office Closed

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