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TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"

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Welcome to Trinity!

December 13, 2023
Second Advent Midweek
Vespers

Worship:

Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am

Sunday School/Bible Class:

Sundays at 9:15am

Advent Midweek Worship:

Wednesdays at 10:30am and 6:30pm

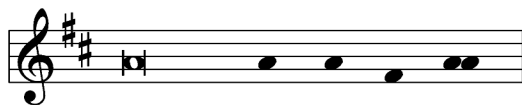
<u>December</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
8:00am	Team 5	Scott Plocar
10:30am	Team 2	Jim Post
December 13	Team 6	
December 20		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
Dec 4-Dec 17	Janice Lieftring and Kathy Shircel
Dec 18-Dec 31	Connie Bitter and Linda Plocar

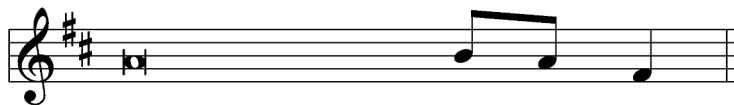
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>
Dec 13	10:30am 6:30pm	Brody Timm and Owen Timm	Janice Lieftring Mark and Angie Schorer	Lance Liermann
Dec 17	8:00am 10:30am	Emmett Kunze and Cooper Schmidt Emily Harris	Jack and Sue Kober Larry and Kris Bender	Josh Schorer
Dec 20	10:30am 6:30pm	Ethan Fenn	Jean Heibing Barb Wolfert	

Opening Hymn: LSB 383 A Great and Mighty Wonder

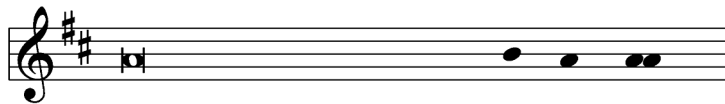
Stand



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

Psalm

Psalm 107:10-16

- P** 10Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death,
C prisoners in affliction and in irons,
P 11for they had rebelled against the words of God,
C and spurned the counsel of the Most High.
P 12So he bowed their hearts down with hard labor;
C they fell down, with none to help.
P 13Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
C and he delivered them from their distress.
P 14He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death,
C and burst their bonds apart.
P 15Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
C for his wondrous works to the children of men!
P 16For he shatters the doors of bronze
C and cuts in two the bars of iron.

Sit

Office Hymn: LSB 361 O Little Town of Bethlehem

P A reading from 1 Kings, chapter 17.

⁷And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him, ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” ¹⁹And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰And he cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” ²²And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.” ²⁴And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory (Advent)

LSB 230



- L** 1 Behold, the days
are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise
up for David a righ-teous Branch.
- 2 In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will
dwell se - cure - ly.
- 3 Glory be to the
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



C This is the name
by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righ-teous-ness.

Sermon

Offering—Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.

Prayer—We respond with *Amen*.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

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.

Collects



L O Lord, hear my prayer.



C And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect for Peace

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - - men.

Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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 A - - men.

Sit

Closing Hymn: LSB 366 It Came upon the Midnight Clear

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Vespers from Lutheran Service Book

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Please join us for our next midweek worship service Wednesday, December 20th. The worship times are 10:30am & 6:30pm. Advent meals will be offered on Wednesdays after the morning Advent worship service and also from 5-6:15pm. A free will offering will be accepted. There will also be a Special Voter's Meeting to approve the 2024 budget on Wednesday, December 20th—following the evening Advent worship service.