

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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December 11, 2022

### Third Sunday of Advent

10:30 am

# + GATHERING +

#### PRELUDES

Savior of the Nations, Come A Lovely Rose is Blooming Comfort, Comfort, Now My People Michael Burkhardt Johannes Brahms Paul Manz

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the Lord, 🕂 the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

#### Amen.

Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

<We kneel.>

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of new beginnings,

We confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

<We stand.>

People of God,

A new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on + Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord. **Amen.** 

GATHERING HYMN

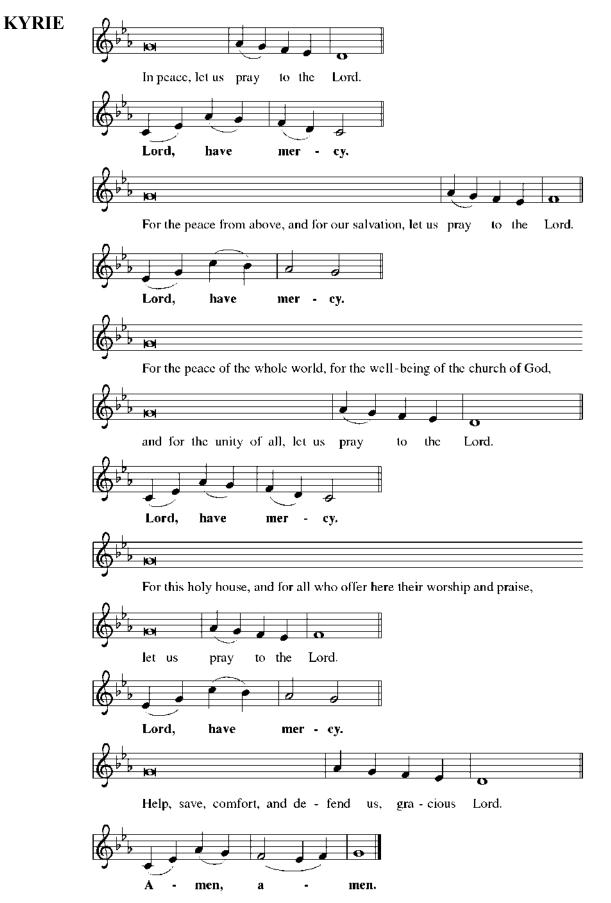
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#### GREETING

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

And also with you.



#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together...God of light,

You sent a savior into the world to bring justice and release to all who are in bondage. Shine this light upon us, and show us how to bring justice and peace to all who suffer. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



#### NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. 3

<We kneel.>

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will end with "God, in your mercy" and the response is **"Receive our prayer."** *At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with "Amen."* 

*<We stand.>* 

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.

<We sit.>

ANTHEM

#### Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God

*<We stand.>* 

## + MEAL -

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray ... We ask this through Christ our Savior. Amen. GREAT THANKSGIVING

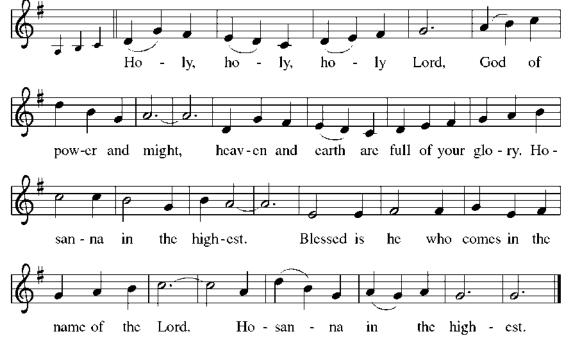
The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding...* 

we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord...

... be all honor and glory, now and forever.

#### Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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 THE MEAL**

Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God, who has come to save you.

<We sit.>

# COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world. You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you in your pew. A gluten –free wafer is available, upon request, for those who need it.

# **COMMUNION HYMN**

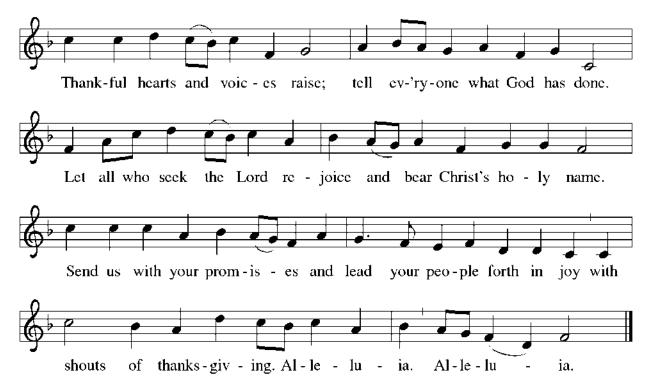
#### He Came Down

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*<We stand.>* 

# THE TABLE BLESSING

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



## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray ... coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# + SENDING +

SENDING

In the name of the Father.	May the Lord bless and keep you.	
In the name of the Father.	May the Lord bless and keep you.	
In the name of the Son.	May God's face shine upon you.	
In the name of the Son.	May God's face shine upon you.	
In the name of the Spirit.	May God's blessings be with you.	
In the name of the Spirit.	May God's blessings be with you.	
The Three-in-One.	And give you peace.	
SENDING HYMN	Savior of the Nations, Come	ELW 263
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DISMISSAL		

Go in peace. Christ is near. Thanks be to God!

#### POSTLUDE

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Paul Manz

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#### Worship Leadership

Worship Leader	Rev. Matthew Titus
Worship Assistant	Mary Maercklein
Acolyte	Cal Triplett
Crucifer	Ashleigh Titus
<b>Choir Director</b>	Gayle Lindley
Organist	Huger Caughman, Jr.
Youth Director	Aubrey Guyton
Video	Matt Bowers
Audio	Annette Belcher, Ben Bowers, Kristin Caughman,
	or Claire Grosshuesch
Communion Prep	Lynn Cary

#### Announcements

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our daughter, Aubrey Guyton's birthday by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Guyton.

**Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission** will be gathering at Shealy's BBQ on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm. Please RSVP to Huger Caughman, Jr. by Sunday, December 11 if you plan to attend.

The Children's Christmas Program will be today, December 11 at 5:30 pm in the Family Life Center. All are invited to attend.

**Our Longest Night Service** will be held December 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the church. All are welcome to attend.

**Contratulataions to the Redeemer Youth Group** for placing 1st Runner Up in the Very Berry Christmas Gingerbread Contest.

**Prayer & Care Card Class** - Every Monday from 2:30-4:30 the Prayer and Care Cards team will meet to create beautiful cards to send to those celebrating significant events in their lives and to share our love and care with those who are experiencing the not so great times in life. No experience is necessary and all are invited to participate!

**God's Abundance for All People** is open to all in need from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturdays at O'Neal Street UMC. GAAP is a free clothing and food pantry which now also provides a meal (beginning at 11am). Redeemer has been helping quite a bit on the **THIRD** Saturday of each month, you are all welcome to come volunteer every Saturday, but especially on **December 17**. Please contact Kevin Dove or the church office for more information.

**Angel Tree -** We get to participate again in the local Angel Tree ministry! Unwrapped gifts are to be delivered to the church office by December 11 - TODAY. Thank you to all who have chosen to make Christmas even more memorable for so many children in our community!

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11 - DECEMBER 16**

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Children's Program Practice - FLC
	10:30 am	Worship
	4:00 pm	Confirmation - Youth Hall
	5:30 pm	Children's Christmas Program—FLC
Monday	2:30-4:30 pm	Prayer & Care Class - Room 212
	6:00 pm	Anger Management - Room 141
Tuesday	10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library
	6:30 pm	Project Nectar
	7:00 pm	LMM - Shealy's BBQ
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir - McCullough Music Room
	7:30 pm	Senior Choir - McCullough Music Room
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

# Attendance for Dec. 4, 2022

Sunday School	28
In-Person	75
Online	73
Total	158

**Offering for this Week:** 

Needed Weekly - \$6,000.00

Received 12-4-22 - \$3,662.56