



First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017

8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

Stir up your power, and come! The psalmist's plea in Psalm 80:2 has become familiar to us in the Advent prayers. Isaiah wants God to rip the heavens open. Both cry out for an apparently distant, angry God to show up, to save, to restore. When we hear Jesus describing the coming of the Son of Man with stars falling from heaven, it can sound dire and horrible, not like anything we would ever hope for. But when we really look at the suffering of people God loves, we can share the hope that God would tear open the heavens and come.

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by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Five

The paraments are blue today, and will be for the four Sundays of Advent. The color suggests hope.

✠ GATHERING ✠

The Assembly is invited to gather in quiet meditation.

ACCLAMATION

Timothy Olsen

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

OPENING PRELUDE Creator of the Stars of Night

arr. Bruce Tippet

Adult Handbell Choir

We stand.

ACCLAMATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

**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.

God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace we have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,
our sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

Amen.

The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

GATHERING HYMN 260 The King Shall Come

CONSOLATION

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.

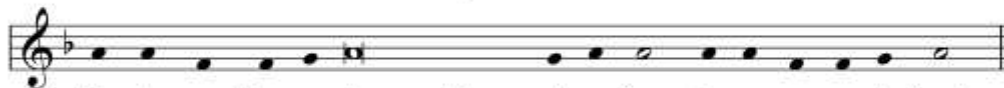
KYRIE



In peace let us pray to the Lord.



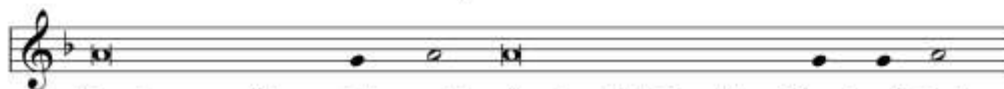
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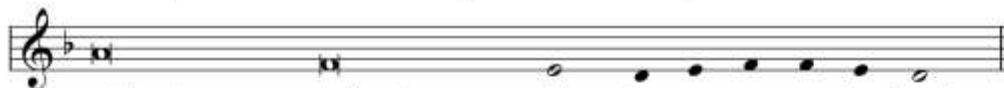
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, com-fort and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

After the prayer the assembly responds: **Amen.**

We sit.

✠ WORD ✠

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

HYMN 242 Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (Stanza 1) REJOICE, REJOICE

FIRST READING Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80:1-7, 17-19



- ¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph ¹ like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned up- ¹ on the cherubim.
- ²In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, ¹ and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and ¹ come to help us.
- ³Restore ¹ us, O God;
let your face shine upon us, and we ¹ shall be saved.
- ⁴O LORD ¹ God of hosts,
how long will your anger fume when your ¹ people pray?
- ⁵You have fed them with the ¹ bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of ¹ tears to drink.
- ⁶You have made us the derision ¹ of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh ¹ us to scorn.
- ⁷Restore us, O ¹ God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we ¹ shall be saved.
- ¹⁷Let your hand be upon the one at ¹ your right hand,
the one you have made so strong ¹ for yourself.
- ¹⁸And so will we never turn a- ¹ way from you;
give us life, that we may call up- ¹ on your name.
- ¹⁹Restore us, O LORD ¹ God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we ¹ shall be saved.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Verse sung by choir.



GOSPEL Mark 13:24-37

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark.



[Jesus said to the disciples,] “About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Wollner

SERMON

Pastor Wollner

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 435 Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

HELMSLEY

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For the church near and far. For disciples of all nations. For those who long to share and those who long to receive the Gospel. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

Assembly: Your mercy is great.

For the waters that cleanse the earth. For the trees that provide a place of protection. For creation, small and large. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

A: Your mercy is great.

For peace in chaos. For promise in despair. For justice when there feels like there is none. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

A: Your mercy is great.

For those who thirst and hunger. For those who go without. For those who plead for healing and relationship. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

A: Your mercy is great.

For bodies that are in pain. For spirits that are tired. For those who suffer and grow weary. We especially pray for: Carina Sturdy, Sue Hill, Rose Sydeman, John Vickers, Dena Vickers, Hank Farrar, Terri Cota, Violet Fowler and for all of those we lift up on our lips and in our hearts. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

A: Your mercy is great.

For the faithful witness of those who have entered life eternal and for their loved ones who remain. We especially remember: Jeanie Rudisill, Jack Horn, Donnie Eubank, Pastor Tim Glenham and Abner Harrington. In faithfulness, we wait. Hear us, O God.

A: Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

Please be considerate of those who may be reluctant to shake hands in this flu season.

We sit.

✠ MEAL ✠

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:30) Wake, Awake

John Horman

Wake, awake, for night is flying, the watchmen on the heights are crying;

Awake, awake, Jerusalem, arise, arise, arise!

Zion hears the watchmen singing; and all her heart with joy is springing;

She wakes, she rises from the gloom.

For her Lord comes down all glorious, the strong in grace, in truth victorious,

Her star is ris'n, her light is come!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00) Advent Message

Martin How

Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, Amen, come Lord Jesus.

Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, Amen, come Lord Jesus.

O come quickly, come Lord Jesus, O come quickly, come Lord, come.

Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, Amen, come Lord Jesus.

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord,

Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, come.

Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus, come.

Yea, come quickly, yea, come quickly, yea, come quickly, come Lord, come.

Amen, come Lord, come.

We stand.

OFFERTORY HYMN



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.

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'Great Thanksgiving' consisting of four staves of music. Each staff is in a single treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and slurs.

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

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'Sanctus' consisting of five staves of music. Each staff is in a single treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, the fourth has two measures, and the fifth has two measures. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and slurs.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,

the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us. Bless this meal.

May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people. Fill us with your light.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,

Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,

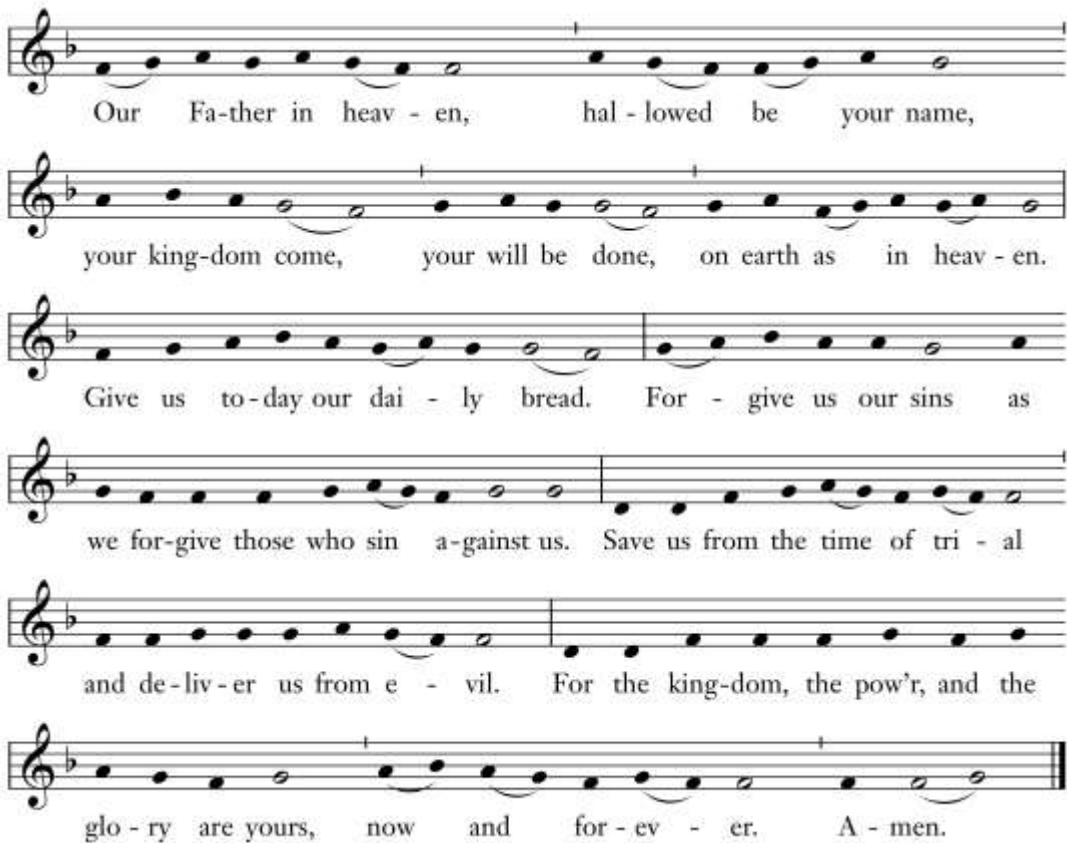
Power of the Most High,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as
we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de-liv - er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us peace. A - men.

We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN 245 Creator of the Stars of Night

HYMN 243 Lost in the Night

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

LOST IN THE NIGHT

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful - filled. My own
eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - ry
peo - ple: a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

BLESSING



The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

SENDING HYMN 246 Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!

MERTON

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Allegro *from* Symphonie VI

Charles-Marie Widor

Soli Deo Gloria

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Bulletin Cover Artist

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Acolytes

8:30 Abby Blanks and Emma Blanks
11:00 Travis Pipes and Jacque Weber

Crucifers

8:30 Abbey Linnell
11:00 Stuart Martin

Offering Bearer

Faith Cashion

Liturgists

8:30 Daniele Olsen
11:00 William Stevens

Lay Readers

8:30 Nanette Shutt
11:00 Ruth Kooken

Communion Assistants

8:30 David Kinley and Nanette Shutt
11:00 Kathy Carr and Lara Carter

Nursery

8:30 Mel Ragan
SS Dana Mulhearn
11:00 Kyle Voigt

Usbers

8:30 Chris Almerini, Bobby Baynes,
Alex Paschold and Jon Southern
11:00 Clarence Dixon, Carrol Epting,,
Kevin Lynch and Phil Martin

Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters

8:30 Kent/Bobbie Reichert, Mary Lou Leonard
11:00 Claire Ohannessian

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Jane Maxey

Oblation Bearers

8:30 Elizabeth Chéron and Tom Sturgis
11:00 Becky and Chuck Roediger

Assisting Ministers

8:30 Peter Brath
11:00 Julia Grossnickle

Preaching and Presiding

Pastor Wollner

Providing Service Next Sunday

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Announcements

WELCOME all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

Our worship begins with an acclamation or a brief piece sung by the choir which introduces the Gospel message or another theme of the day. This is a time to quietly begin our worship in ways that are meaningful to us, through listening, prayer, meditation on the scriptures to be read, the hymns or anthems to be sung, the art and paragraph on the cover of the bulletin, or to simply still our minds and spirits in preparation for an hour that is different from the hectic life outside the doors of our sanctuary.

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God in memory of Lucretia "Doodle" Sills (cousin) and Susan Raines (best friend) by Joyce B. Sills.

The bulletins today are given to the glory of God in honor of Jimmy and Katie Lippard - "thank you for your thoughtfulness" by Jane Maxey.

Advent Banner Symbolism: The rose and the branch are considered Messianic or prophetic symbols. The Messianic Rose is described in the thirty-fifth chapter of Isaiah, where the prophet writes that the desert shall blossom like a rose at the coming of the glory of God. Jeremiah wrote, "Behold the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous branch" (23:5). The four branches represent the four Sundays in Advent.

Thank you for the flowers: Many thanks for the altar flowers dedicated by Lara Eppert Carter. They were beautiful. Even the roses in November were gorgeous. Thanks again! Ruth Helton

Thank you for the altar flowers from the November 5 services and thank you to Dr. Peggy Carter Sturgis for bringing them to me. Helen DeLooper.

Our Homebound Member is Ms. Frances Lefler, Trinity Elms, 3750 Harper Road, Clemmons, NC 27012. Please send Frances a note.

The disciples of Augsburg and friends are invited to a recital by Cantor Olsen and his brass colleagues from UNCSA **today, Dec. 3, at 3 P.M.** in Crawford Hall at UNCSA. The recital, featuring both solo organ works and works for organ and brass, celebrates the 40th anniversary of the installation of the Fisk organ, as well as Dr. Olsen's CD recording of the instrument which will be released later this week. Free admission.

Women's Ministries WELCOME! Please join us for fellowship and beverages on December 4 between 4:30 and 6:30 P.M. at Paul's Restaurant on Robinhood Road.

S.I.S. (Sisters In Service) will meet Tuesday, December 5 at 6:30 P.M. at The Sherwood, Sherwood Plaza Shopping Center, 3348 Robinhood Road, Winston Salem, NC 27106.

A Christmas to Believe In: Please plan to join us for the annual children's Christmas play on Sunday morning, December 10, at 10:00 A.M., in the Family Life Center. The cast features over thirty of our youth who range in age from three to eighteen. The play by Sharon Kay Chatwell features two narrators (Emma Hanes and Daniel Nolting) who tell the traditional Christmas story from the Gospel of Luke while costumed performers act out the story and sing traditional Christmas carols. Narrator #2 admits at the beginning that he is not sure he believes it all. He becomes engaged with the story as it continues, wondering what will happen to Mary (Julia Grossnickle) and the baby Jesus. At the end, he is convinced that the story is true. He finds it really is *A Christmas to Believe In!*



Compline
Night Prayer

Compline (Night Prayer) dates back to the 4th century monastic traditions of daily prayer and praise. Serving as the final service of the day, it is a sung service primarily of chant. On the evenings of the first three Sundays of Advent (December 3, 10, & 17) at 8:30 P.M. in the sanctuary, a Compline Choir will lead this quiet contemplative service offering a calm, quiet (often silent) time of respite from the hectic pace of our world. Each service will be preceded by a brief recital at 8:00 P.M. Please extend an invitation to your neighbors and friends, and come experience the hope and anticipation of Advent through this candlelit service. Tonight's recitalist will be renowned pianist and Salem College Distinguished Faculty member, Barbara Lister-Sink.

The Augsburg Overflow Shelter is open. We need volunteers to sign up as greeters, overnight helpers and to prepare dinner for 23. For more information or to sign up, please go to <http://signup.com/go/AugsburgOverflowShelter>. You can also contact Susan Doran at tbdoran@gmail.com or call at 971-9770 if you have questions or need help.

The Communion Set-Up and Clean-Up Committee is in need of a few good souls to help with Communion set up and clean up. As you are completing your time and talent sheets, please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talent in this effort. Communion is set up before the 8:30 Sunday worship service; the wine and wafers are refreshed between services, and clean up takes place after the 11:00 service. Help is especially needed for the first Sunday of each month and special services such as Christmas Eve and Maundy Thursday. If you are interested, please contact Claire Wynnemer at 336-418-1219 or clwynnemer@gmail.com.

Readings for next week: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8.

Worship attendance for services last week: **89** at 8:30; **158** at 11:00; **17** visitors.

This Advent, you are invited to take home two new Advent Resources that you can use to enhance your faith life in this holy season. The first is a printed Advent Resource book which provides at home devotions and activities for each week of the Advent season. These resource books are designed for all ages to share in together. The second resource is a weekly Advent coloring sheet which God's children of all ages are invited to take home and color. You are then invited to bring those back each week to decorate our Family Life Center as part of our welcome to our Guests who gather at the Augsburg Overflow Shelter. Both of these resources are available on the table in the narthex. There will also be a box to return completed color sheets.

Calendar for December 3 –December 10

3 First Sunday of Advent

- 8:30a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)
9:30a Fellowship Breakfast
(Family Life Center)
10:00a Sunday School
11:00a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)
4:00p Jubilate
(Youth Choir Room)
4:45p Lobchor
(Adult Choir Room)
5:45p Youth Group
(Various locations)
8:00p Pre-Compline Recital
(Sanctuary)
8:30p Compline
(Sanctuary)

4 Monday

- 10:30a Pastor Paul's Study
(Sid Sowers Classroom)
6:00p Continue in My Word
(Youth Area)
6:00p Adult Handbell Choir
(Handbell Room)
6:15p Evangelism Team Meeting
(Covenant Classroom)
7:00p Fellowship Team Meeting
(Discovery Classroom)

5 Tuesday

- 6:30p S.I.S.
(The Sherwood Restaurant)

6 Wednesday

- 6:30a Bagels! High School Youth
(Bagel Station)
12:00p Executive Team Meeting
(Conference Room)
5:30p Music Exploration
(Youth Choir Room)

Wednesday (con't.)

- 7:15p Adult Choir II
(Choir Room)
7:18p Youth Bible Study
(Youth Area)
7:30p Emotions Anonymous
(Lounge)

7 Thursday

- 7:30a Men's Fellowship Breakfast
(Youth Area)
10:00a Quilt Ministry
(Youth Area)
6:15p Adult Choir I
(Choir Room)
7:00p Social Ministry
(Discovery Classroom)

8 Friday

- 11:30a JOY Group Christmas Lunch
(Family Life Center)

10 Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:30a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)
9:45a Fellowship Breakfast
(Family Life Center)
10:00a Children's Christmas Program
(Family Life Center)
11:00a Service of Holy Communion
(Sanctuary)
4:00p Jubilate Choir
(Youth Choir Room)
4:45p Lobchor Choir
(Choir Room)
5:45p Youth Group
(Youth Area)
8:00p Pre-Compline Recital
(Sanctuary)
8:30p Compline
(Sanctuary)



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