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Welcome to Worship

We have "Listen" ear pieces available for the hearing impaired-simply ask one of the ushers!

Welcome to worship as we celebrate this Sunday, as we gather in the Sanctuary, Gathering Place or in your car or at home.

Just a reminder we are no longer able to sing together for those gathered in the Sanctuary or Gathering Place.

- If you are gathered inside please wear your masks, observe all social distancing, sitting 6 feet apart and use hand sanitizer.
- If you are in your car outside of church, you can share the worship by tuning to FM 92.3 or using your laptop, tablet, or phone to join in the livestream @ <https://bit.ly/Slclivestream>. Wi-Fi is available, please ask greeter or attendant for password.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: We begin in the name of the one in whom we are baptized, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: As people called out of darkness, let us confess our sins and seek forgiveness from the God of righteousness and mercy.
(silence for reflection)

P: Oh God of steadfast love,

C: We confess our impatience and resistance to your will. We have sought to satisfy our deepest longings from created things and forces rather than through you, our creator. We are quick to judge others, yet we fail to see our own failings. We are numb to the cries of those in need and grow weary of righteousness and compassion. Restore us, Oh God; let your face shine on us, that we may be saved. Amen.

P: Hear the glad tidings of God! For the sake of Christ, your sins are forgiven and light has shone in your darkness. May Christ shine forth from our lives as we wait for the full redemption of all creation.

C: Amen

Gathering Song & Litany

A: The advent of the Lord is near.

C: New light dawning where there has been darkness.

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C: New hope reigning where there has been death and despair.

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C: New light, new hope, new life for all creation.

A: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe.

As we light the first candle, we focus our attention on you and the great gifts you have given us, preparing our longing hearts and minds to receive your greatest gift, Jesus Christ our Lord.

May your light of hope burn bright in our hearts and homes as we continue to wait for the return of our Savior, while preparing to remember his birth.

C: Come, Lord Jesus!

Greeting & Prayer of the Day

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

L: Let us pray... Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. Rend the heavens and come down. 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.

C: Amen.

THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 64:1~9

¹O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
²as 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!
³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
⁴From 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.
⁵You 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.
⁶We 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.
⁷There 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.
⁸Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
⁹Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

(Please stand as you are able for the Gospel acclamation)

Advent Gospel Acclamation

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 13th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus said:] ²⁴“In those days, after that suffering,
 the sun will be darkened,
 and the moon will not give its light,
²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven,
 and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Children’s Sermon – Advent Mystery Box

Sermon

“Rend the Heavens and Come Down”

Pastor Bill Crabtree

Hymn of the Day (*We will recite the poetry of the hymn in unison*)

Verse 1

Rejoice, rejoice, believers,
and let your lights appear;
the evening is advancing,
and darker night is near.
The bridegroom is arising
and soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle;
at midnight comes the cry.

Verse 2

The watchers on the mountain
proclaim the bridegroom near;
go forth as he approaches
with alleluias clear.
The marriage feast is waiting;
the gates wide open stand.
Arise, O heirs of glory;
the bridegroom is at hand.

Verse 3

The saints, who here in patience
their cross and suff'rings bore,
shall live and reign forever
when sorrow is no more.
Around the throne of glory
the Lamb they shall behold;
in triumph cast before him
their diadems of gold.

Verse 4

Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
arise, O Sun so longed for,
o'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
we plead, O Lord, to see
the day of earth's redemption
that sets your people free!

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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

Prayers of the Church

L: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people
according to their needs....

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Please be seated following Sharing of the Peace

P: At this time, take a moment to sit in peace or share the peace if you are
worshipping with other people (or shout to the car next to you ☺)

Community Time

THE MEAL



All Baptized Christians are welcome to join with us in this meal where we believe the true body and blood of Christ are present in, with, and under the bread and wine/juice. You will be ushered forward and have three options: A container with bread & wine, bread & grape juice, or gluten free bread & grape juice. Adults who do not receive the Supper or children who have not received First Communion instruction can come forward for a blessing. If you have not been baptized, one of our pastors would welcome a conversation with you about Baptism.

Offertory Response

Let the Vineyards

Offering Prayer

A: Merciful God,

C: As we journey in this in-between time, may our watching and waiting be filled with giving and receiving your blessings. We joyfully return to you what you have first given us, ourselves, our time, and our positions, all signs of your gracious love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The 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 God thanks and praise.

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

Holy Holy Holy

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer *(All)*

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, for ever and ever.

Amen.

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God

Communion Solo

Organ Wachtel Auf

J.S. Bach

Post-Communion Blessing

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood, strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever.

C: Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

A: 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.

C: Amen.

The Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you + and give you peace.

Sending Hymn

The Lord Now Sends us Forth

Dismissal

L: We are grace filled

C: And Spirit led!

L: Go in Peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Worship Leaders for Nov 29th

**Preaching: Pastor Bill | Presiding: Pastor Jonathan
November Altar Care: Mary Lou Dahl, Debbie Marsch,
Jim and Cindy McKenna and Randy Randolph
Liturgist: Tom Hawks | Reader: Carissa Robideaux**

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 40: 1~11, Mark 1:1~8

As you read the lesson, ask yourself two questions:

Why was this story told?

Where do you see God at work?

Prayer and Care: Sandra Evanoff mourning the death of her brother. Irene Bergsagel and family in the death of her daughter Beth. Betty Yates in the return of her cancer. The Phillips Family mourning the death of Alan's mom, Arlene. Debbie Wills anticipating thyroid surgery this week. All those that are affected by Covid-19.

Recovering from illness/surgery: Terri Randolph, Cathy Hunt

Facing Cancer: John Adair, Julie Enger, Melanie Ivanelli, Jim Weisbrodt, Elizabeth Domahidy, Dave Ryan, Jim McKelvy, Ron Maddux, Kathy Schaeffer, and Carol Wales.

Deployed & Military Support & their families: Ali Wermager, Jordan Williams, Jason Starks, Paul Voigt, Jillian Radtke, Bradley Schaeffer, Rebecca Mackey, Eric Fromm, Megan Seawolf, Jared Cain, Andrew Catron, David Wooten and all their families.

Continued Prayer: Lisa Stephens, Marcia Anderson, Cathy Ford, Ace Edwards, Web Rhodes, John and Marilyn Adair, Scott Wills, Clay Shultz, Peggy Grigg, Joyce Banka, Tom Starks, Priscilla LaCroix, John Daly, Regina Cloninger, Alan Rue, Dori Pitts, Lucile Lampi, Hilma Bridges, Matt Ryan, Randy Fossum, Clara Barr, Marilyn Running, Dave Hagen, Craig Messett, Laura Gessner, John and Nancy Matronic, Jean & Bill Locke & Michael Klein.

Remembering all who are homebound or in ill health.

