Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn People, Look East ELW #248

Sending: P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

C: Thanks Be to God!

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!!

"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to become a member, contact any member or the church office."

Sunday, November 28th, 2021; 9:30 am

First Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements (Please sign the fellowship pads as they are passed)

Sharing of the Peace

Invocation

Call to Worship

P: The days are shorter and darkness comes early to our lives.

C: Lord, hear our prayers through the darkness.

P: Come, seek the Lord. Place your hope in God's mercy and love.

C: Lord, we seek your presence among us.

P: Look closely! God is making us ready.

C: Brighten our Spirits this day, and help us to receive your Good News. AMEN.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Winston, Becca, Hadley, and Asher Loman

Light the Candle (words below)

1) Light the candle as a symbol
Of the Light that leads the way;
For each candle is a symbol
Of the hope that's ours today.
As we strike the match and light the wick,
Come, Spirit, shine bright.
Grant that all may see from the darkness
Your Gift, Your Truth, Your Light.

2) Light the candle as a symbol
Of the Light that leads the way;
For each candle is a symbol
Of the peace that's ours today.
As we strike the match and light the wick,
Come, Spirit, shine bright.
Grant that all may see from the darkness

Your Gift, Your Truth, Your Light.

Bridge: Emmanuel, Son of the Father, Come to us now, Savior and Lord.

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Prayer of the Day (All)

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Lesson Jeremiah 33:14-16 Nancy Johnson ¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a

righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Alleluia Verse

Love Has Come

ELW #292 (vs. 1)

Gospel Luke 21:25-36 Pastor Greg Johnson

(Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.)

[Jesus said:] ²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

(Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.)

Children's SermonSomething About ChristmasTom & Tammy RobertsSermon"I Can See Christmas in You!"Pastor Greg JohnsonHymn of the DayAll Earth Is HopefulELW #266 (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

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

Offering (During this time of pandemic, both children's and adult offering baskets are placed at the entrance of the sanctuary so that gifts can be given directly, without physical contact)

