

3rd Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 14, 2014 - 10:30 a.m.

You are encouraged to quiet your hearts and minds in prayer as you prepare to meet the Living God in worship.

Call to Worship: Isaiah 61:1-4

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified. They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Opening Hymn: #164 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayer of Adoration: “God Enjoyed” taken from the Valley of Vision

Hymn: #277 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Reading of the Law: Exodus 20

Prayer of Confession

Confession of Faith: Psalm 32 - insert

Offering

**Children 4 and younger are dismissed to nursery*

Congregational Prayer

Reading of Scripture: Matthew 11:2-15

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Sermon: Should we look for another?

Series: Advent

Rev. Rhett Crabtree

Closing Hymn: My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

Benediction

What is Advent?

*Advent is the first season of the church year, Advent serves to prepare us for the coming celebration of Christ's birth. The word comes from the Latin, advenire, which means "to come." Advent themes include not only Christ's coming at Bethlehem but also his coming now in Word and Sacrament and his final coming in glory. This year the Advent season is November 30th - December 25th.
(taken from the LCMS liturgical glossary)*