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Home Devotional- November 22nd-28th

Introduction

Advent is about the “coming days.” God’s people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a “righteous Branch to spring up for David.” The Thessalonians awaited “the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints.” Jesus’ contemporaries hoped for the time “to stand before the Son of Man.” With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

Prayer of the Day

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.

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

A righteous branch springing up from David

Psalms 25:1-10

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. (Ps. 25:1)

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Strengthen hearts of holiness for the coming of the Lord

Luke 21:25-36

Be alert for the coming of the Son of Man

Questions for Reflection (*Reflect on the scripture passages above and work through the following questions*)

1. What word or phrase stands out to you?
2. What do you hear God saying to you?
3. What does God want you to do in response to what you hear God saying?

Pray the Lord’s Prayer Together

Bless one another saying:

May God bless you this week and always. AMEN