



*May the Lord make you
increase and abound in love*

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES

Babbtown (Meta 8 am)
Schubert (Jefferson City 10 am)

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FIRST SUNDAY in ADVENT

November 28, 2021

Order of Worship: Printed below
(with P for Pastor, C for Congregation)
or
found on page 15 in The Lutheran Hymnal TLH

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The Ringing Of The Bell

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn: TLH 70 "Hosanna To The Living Lord!"

Hosanna to the living Lord! Hosanna to the th' Incarnate Word!
To Christ, Creator, Savior, King, Let earth, let heav'n, hosanna sing.

O Savior, with protecting care, Abide in this Thy house of prayer,
Where we Thy parting promise claim, Assembled in Thy sacred name.

But, chiefest, in our cleansed breast, Eternal, bid Thy Spirit rest
And make our secret soul to be A temple pure and worthy Thee.

So in the last and dreadful Day, When earth and heav'n shall melt away,
Thy flock, redeemed from sinful stain, Shall swell the sound of praise again. Amen.

Invocation: p. 15 *[Responses Sung]*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: **Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession: [Spoken]

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution: p. 16

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: *[Sung]* Amen.

The Introit

Gloria Patri: p.16 *[Sung]*

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Kyrie: p.17 *[Sung]*

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis: p. 17-19 *[Sung]*

C: Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation And Response: p.19

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* And with thy spirit.

The Prayer Of The Day: *[Spoken by all]*

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

Response *[Sung]*: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In 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. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹ For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰ as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

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

Gradual

The Sentence Of The Season

The “Triple Hallelujah”: [Sung]

C: **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: The Holy Gospel that is appointed to be read for today is from the Gospel of St. Luke, chapter 21, beginning with the 25th verse.

C: **[Sung] Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 21:25-36

²⁵ “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶ people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” ²⁹ And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰ As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴ “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

C: **[Sung] Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

The Nicene Creed p. 22

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of

the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn: TLH 74 “Once He Came In Blessing”

Once He came in blessing, All our ills redressing;
Came in likeness lowly, Son of God most holy;
Bore the cross to save us, Hope and freedom gave us.

Still He comes within us; Still His voice would win us
From the sins that hurt us; Would to Truth convert us
From our foolish errors Ere He comes in terrors.

Thus, if thou hast known Him, Not ashamed to own Him,
But wilt trust Him boldly Nor dost love Him coldly,
He will then receive thee, Heal thee, and forgive thee.

He who thus endureth Bright reward secureth.
Come, then, O Lord Jesus, From our sins release us;
Let us here confess Thee Till in heav'n we bless Thee. Amen.

Sermon: “The Blessing” **Text:** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

(Usual time for The Offering – Offering plates are at the entrances or can be mailed or given online.)

Offertory p. 22 [Sung]

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayers

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

[We invite those who are communicant members of sister Lutheran Congregations, in the fellowship of LC-MS, and are repentant, to commune with us.]

The Preface: p. 24 [Responses Sung]

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right and salutary that we should at all time and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

The Proper Preface p. 25

P: ...therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and singing:

The Sanctus: p. 26 [Sung]

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer: p. 27

**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;**

[Sung] For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution: p. 27

Our Lord Jesus Chris

t, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini: p. 27

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

C: **[Sung] A - - - men.**

The Agnus Dei: p. 28 [Sung]

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace.
A - - - - men.**

The Distribution

Distribution Hymn: TLH 73 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of Glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near, The Savior of the world is here.
Life and salvation He doth bring, Wherefore rejoice and gladly sing:
We praise Thee, Father, now, Creator, wise art Thou!

A Helper just He comes to thee, His chariot is humility,
His kingly crown is holiness, His scepter, pity in distress,
The end of all our woe He brings; Wherefore the earth is glad and sings:
We praise Thee, Savior, now, Mighty in deed art Thou!

O blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes To whom this King in triumph comes!
The cloudless Sun of joy He is, Who bringeth pure delight and bliss.
We praise Thee, Spirit, now, Our Comforter art Thou!

Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple set apart
From earthly use for Heaven's employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
So shall your Sovereign enter in The new and nobler life begin.
To Thee, O God, be praise For word and deed and grace!

Redeemer, come! I open wide My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me Thine inner presence feel, Thy grace and love in me reveal;
Thy Holy Spirit guide us on Until our glorious goal is won.
Eternal praise and fame We offer to Thy name. Amen.

The Nunc Dimittus: p. 29 *[Sung]*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation:
which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving: p. 30

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: *[Sung]* And His mercy endureth forever.

The Thanksgiving Prayer: p. 30-31

P: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift;
and we beseech You that of Your mercy Your would strengthen us through the same in faith
towards You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C: *[Sung]* A - - - men.

The Benedicamus: p. 31

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Closing Hymn: TLH 62, vs. 1 “Oh, Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel”

**Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Silent Prayer**Announcements*****Have A Blessed Week!***

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BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Babbtown: Joshua Schubert; Schubert: Tracy Carver, Lars Marion, Colin Larkins and Amy Powell.

(NOTE: Please call or text Pastor with prayer requests and birthdays.)

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Arline Mueller; Schubert – Keith Bohl.

USHERS this Sunday: Jim Forbis and Berry Wiggins.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Allan Forbis.

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IF YOU ARE A GUEST joining us today – either online or in person, we greet you with special joy. Please be sure to let us know if we can serve you in any way. Please remember to introduce yourself and sign the guest register. Come back and join us again every Sunday, be sure to let us know if we can serve you in any way.

REMINDER: The first four pews on each side are reserved for those who need social distancing. Thanks for your continued patience.

IF REASONS of health prevent you from public worship, please call Pastor for private communion.

THERE IS NO Sunday School classes for the Children this morning, the whole family is invited to Pastors Bible Class at 9:30. Regular Sunday School classes are set to resume next Sunday.

BABBTOWN: Sunday School is up and going following worship. Also Bible Study for adults.

THANKS to everyone who donated items and baked goods for the Thriftmas Sale! Thanks to all the shoppers and workers who helped make it a success. The Youth Group made over \$800 to put toward the National Youth Gathering next summer.

TODAY: Pick up your December Newsletter.

WEDNESDAY: Weekday/Confirmation Classes, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Advent Worship, 7:00 p.m. Wait upon the Lord with Faith (Galatians 3:8): Abraham and Sarah waited with faith for the birth of their son, Isaac, and we wait with faith for the birth of God's Son, Jesus, trusting that He will come at Christmas to save all people.

Elders' meeting following worship.

MEET ME AT THE MANGER is being hosted by Campus Lutheran Church 304 S. College Street, Columbia, Mo. 5:30-8:00 p.m. Friday Dec. 3 and 11:00 a.m. -5:00p.m. Sat. dec. 4. This is a display of over 400 Nativity scenes. Everyone is invited to come.

SATURDAY: If you would like to help hang the greens in church, come on Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

DECEMBER 12: Immanuel, Honey Creek, will celebrate their 150th Anniversary, "Rejoice In The Lord Then, Now and Always." Schedule of events: 9:30 a.m. – Old Fashioned Church Service; 11:00 a.m. – Dinner in the fellowship hall; Displays and raffle drawings; 12:15 p.m. – Maker's Dozen in the gym; 1:30 – Movies and popcorn – "Little Drummer Boy" and "Charlie Brown's Christmas."

DECEMBER 14: The Ladies Aid would like to invite all the ladies of the congregation to their annual Christmas Dinner at Perkins, 6:00 p.m.

REMEMBER: Sign up to participate in the children's Christmas Eve service. Sign up forms are in the Newsletter and attached to the bulletin. Also poinsettia sign-up sheets (pink) are at the entrances.

SHARE THE GOSPEL with all those around. Encourage each other in Christ.

PLEASE let Pastor or Elders know your spiritual and physical needs so we may be of help to you.

PAY ATTENTION to your neighbor and help those in need. Show care and concern for others.

PRAY EARNESTLY for strength and protection that only God can provide. Seek His deliverance from all evil.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: – A human being's dignity doesn't come from her age, her appearance, or her abilities. Rather, "the Lord is our righteousness" (Jeremiah 33:16), as He creates, redeems, and calls worth and purpose into every life from fertilization to forever. Even those who have undergone abortions may know His salvation because He remembers not the sins of our youth (Psalm 25:3) for Jesus' sake. Trusting Him, nobody has to feel ashamed about surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis (Psalm 25:3).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: Babbtown, 15; Schubert, 92. Thanksgiving: Babbtown 22; Schubert 49

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**Thanks be to God that we have the opportunity to gather in worship each week.
Make worship and Bible Study and the Lord's Supper a high priority in your life.**

Babbtown

**8:00 a.m., Sunday Worship
9:10 a.m., Sunday School
and Bible Study**

Schubert

**Sunday: 9:15 a.m., Sunday School
9:30 a.m., Bible Study
10:00 a.m., Worship Service**

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Hymn #70: Text: Matthew 21:9; Hosanna to the living Lord; Author: Reginald Heber (1811km1827, ab.); Von Himmel Hoch; Source: "Geistliche Lieder", Leipzig, 1539.

Hymn #74: Text: Luke 4:18; Gottes Sohn ist kommen; AuthorJohann Roh (1544, cento); Tr.: Catherine Winkworth (1863); Gottes Sohn Ist Kommen; Composer: Michael Weisse (1531).

Hymn #73: Text: Psalm 24; Macht Hoch Die Tur; Author: Georg Weissel (1642); Tr.: Catherine Winkworth (1855, alt.); Macht Hoch Die Tur; Composer: August Lemke (1849).

Hymn #62: Text: Isaiah 59:20; Veni, Veni, Emmanuel; Author: Unknown; Tr.: John M. Neale (1851, 1859, ab.); Veni Emmanuel; Source: Plain-Song melody, (c. 1200).

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CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER – What happened at Calvary last week you ask?

- Scholar Bowl begun their season which has included a win at the Eugene Academic Quad. Their next competition is this Saturday in Washington, Missouri!
- A graduate panel of 9 CLHS alumni returned to their alma mater on Monday to speak with current Juniors & Seniors, offering advice in preparation for life after graduation.
- Pastor Powell led our special Thanksgiving chapel service on Tuesday.
- We gathered together as a Calvary family on Tuesday with a wonderful time of food and fellowship at our 17th annual CLHS Thanksgiving celebration.

LION BASKETBALL – Home sporting events for the week of Nov 28th:

- Tues, Nov 30, 5:00 Varsity Girls, Varsity Boys v. Rolla Royals HSA

CALVARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT – Join us Friday, December 10th at 7:00 p.m. for the annual Calvary Christmas concert! Enjoy pieces performed by the Calvary Choir and Band that are sure to get you ready for the Christmas season!

CYBER MONDAY SHOPPING WITH AMAZON SMILE – Taking advantage of Cyber Monday (Week) sales? If you plan to shop on Amazon, you can use your purchases to give back to Calvary! By going to smile.amazon.com and designating Lutheran High School Association of Missouri as your charity of choice, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases back to Calvary!

#GIVING TUESDAY – Nov. 30th is “Giving Tuesday.” At Calvary, students experience a Christ-Centered relational ministry with excellent opportunities to engage with dynamic teachers & coaches. We are very thankful for our supporters who give their time, resources, and talents. How will you give the Gift of Calvary?

- Contribute directly at Calvary or on our website calvarylhs.org/support and the Donate Now button is at the top of the page.
- Become an **Enduring Partner** by making a *monthly* contribution of \$5 to \$500
- Select an item from our **Wishlist** at calvarylhs.org/support
- Give a **Gift of Stock** to manage/reduce Capital Gains Tax
- Choose Calvary as the recipient of a **Required Minimum Distribution** from an IRA
- Use your **Thrivent Action Teams** to support Calvary activities, *ask us for ideas*
- Designate the Lutheran High School Association of Mid-Missouri for your **Thrivent Choice Dollars**
- Shop or Volunteer at **Calvary's Gift**

2022-2023 REGISTRATION BONUS – Registration is OPEN for the 2022-2023 school year! Incoming 8th graders and current 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students can already register for next year! When you apply or re-register for next school year with your \$100 registration fee before January 3, 2022, you will receive a \$50 credit toward your student's '22-'23 tuition. **REGISTER TODAY!**

SAVE THE DATES –

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| Dec. 10 | Christmas Concert |
| Jan. 7-8 | Calvary Basketball Tournament |
| Jan. 13-15 | Calvary Archery Tournament |