

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent

**November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Opening Hymn: Advent of Our King**  
**Divine Service Setting Three**  
**Confession and Absolution**

LSB 331  
LSB 184

**Introit**



Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;\*  
righteous and having sal- | vation.

**Save us, we pray, | O LORD!\***

**O LORD, we pray, give | us success!**

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!\*

We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

**The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine up- | on us.\***

**Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the | altar!**

You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you;\*  
you are my God; I will ex- | tol you.



**G** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

**Kyrie**

LSB 186

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

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.



**G** A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 2:1–5

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,  
<sup>3</sup>and many peoples shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”  
For out of Zion shall go the law,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,  
come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**G** Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 13:8–14

<sup>8</sup>Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup>Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**G** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

LSB 190

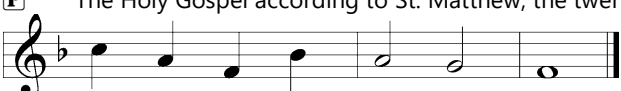


**G** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:1–11

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter




**G** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion,  
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup>And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn: Once He Came in Blessing LSB 333

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Offering & Offertory LSB 192

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament LSB 194

Preface

Sanctus LSB 195

Lord’s Prayer LSB 196

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Distribution Hymns:	
Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord	LSB 637
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Benedicamus & Benediction	LSB 202
Closing Hymn: Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring	LSB 353

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November 30, 2025 – First Sunday in Advent

*The Lord Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us Now*

The Lord Jesus enters Jerusalem “*humble, and mounted on a donkey,*” riding on “*a beast of burden*” (Matt. 21:5), as He Himself bears the sins of the world in His body. Now He comes by the ministry of the Gospel to save us from sin, death, the devil and hell. Therefore, we sing, “*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!*” (Matt. 21:9). For we are called “*to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob,*” His Holy Church, “*that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths*” (Is. 2:3). By His Word, we “*walk in the light of the LORD*” (Is. 2:5). That is to live in love, which “*does no wrong to a neighbor*” (Rom. 13:10). We “*cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light,*” for “*salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed*” (Rom. 13:11, 12). Hence, the entire Christian life is a time to wake and watch, “*for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming*” (Matt. 24:42).



**WE WELCOME ALL** who worship today, especially guests and visitors, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Guests are invited to sign our guest register. Please include your phone number and address in the guest book located in the Narthex. Thank you for visiting.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Today's altar flowers are provided by the Floral Fund.

<u>IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE:</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
11/23/2025 Sunday Service	73	\$3415.00

**MISSIONARIES:** Please remember JP and Aimee Cima, the missionaries that our congregation have adopted, asking God to protect them and use them to spread His gospel.

**CONGREGATIONAL SHUT-INS:** Orgene Reimers.

**CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE MEMBERS:** Ryan Lehmpuhl and Jake Langley

**SITING AND STANDING IN CHURCH:** It is customary to stand during the worship service when we address God directly (*Confession, Prayers, etc.*) or out of respect (*Gospel Reading, Creed, etc.*). These actions have purpose and meaning; but they are not meant to be painful or difficult. In contrast, Psalm 51:17 says, “The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.” If at any time during the service, it is too difficult or painful to stand, please remain seated. Our Lord knows your heart.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please talk to the Pastor prior to the Sunday service for special prayers.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sick and/or Recovering:**

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| Debbie Ledbetter                   | Rod Willard                    |
| Sharon Martinson                   | Robert Tangkawarow             |
| Lucy Brown                         | Elaine Emery (Snyders' friend) |
| Zoey (Tangkawarow's Family Member) | Nancy Mowers                   |
| Ken Davidson                       | Jerrico Leason                 |
| Evie Langley                       | Bob Huebner                    |
| Cody Atkinson (Dawn's son)         |                                |

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you have a prayer concern and would like to send it through a prayer chain, we have 2 options.

- To send the prayer through a phone prayer chain, please contact Mary Richardson at 719-269-1426.
- To send the prayer via email, please contact Sue Poehlein at her email address: [cspoehlein@gmail.com](mailto:cspoehlein@gmail.com).

If you would like to join either prayer chain, please contact Mary or Sue respectively. If you would like a Christian greeting card from St. John sent to your loved one listed on the above prayer list, please contact Mary Richardson with the address where it should be sent.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN – NOVEMBER 30, 2025- DECEMBER 7, 2025**

Office Hours: Monday through Friday — 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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**Sunday, November 30, 2025**

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| 9:00 a.m.             | Divine Worship with Holy Communion |
| Reader:               | Dave Lehmpuhl                      |
| Communion Assistants: | Dave Lehmpuhl & Allan Tormohlen    |
| 10:15 a.m.            | Fellowship                         |
| 10:30 a.m.            | Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  |

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**Monday, December 1, 2025**

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| 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation |
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**Tuesday, December 2, 2025**

*HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY*

*Rob Godwin*

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**Wednesday, December 3, 2025**

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| Sarah Out of the Office |                |
| 10:00 a.m.              | Bible Study    |
| 6:00 p.m.               | Soup Supper    |
| 7:00 p.m.               | Advent Service |

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**Thursday, December 4, 2025**

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| Sarah Out of the Office |                 |
| 7:00 a.m.               | Men's Breakfast |
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**Saturday, December 6, 2025**

9:00 a.m.      LWML Christmas Brunch

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**Sunday, December 7, 2025**

9:00 a.m.      Divine Worship  
10:15 a.m.      Fellowship  
10:30 a.m.      Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
11:30 a.m.      Elders' Meeting

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**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send all announcements for bulletins to [office@StJohnCanonCity.org](mailto:office@StJohnCanonCity.org). Thank You.

**LWML CHRISTMAS BRUNCH:** Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway to the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited. Each lady, please bring a wrapped re-gifted, white-elephant gift. No tags please. And no gifts bags.

**FOOD BANK SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is FOOD BANK Sunday. Please remember to bring a can or two of food for the hungry and needy in our community.

**PARISH PAPER:** The December Parish Paper is now available. If you did not receive one in your email inbox, please make sure to pick up a copy in the narthex.

**LWML MITES:** Tis always the season for Mites! The 2025-2027 Mites Mission Goals exceed \$2M. This is funded with our mites, your pocket change. Mite offering boxes are next to the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to pick up a small box for your home or car to collect coins. Thank you for participating in this small but important mission.

**MEMBER NEWS:** Please notify newsletter editor Gail Kirkegaard of member activities and accomplishments so we can celebrate them in our monthly publication. E-mail [office@stjohnncanoncity.org](mailto:office@stjohnncanoncity.org), You can also put information and photos in her church mailbox. Please add your name so she can return photos. Make sure to write: "ATTENTION GAIL" for anything you want added to the newsletter.

**ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING:** This meeting is scheduled for December 14<sup>th</sup> and is for all confirmed St. John members. Adult members of St. John will elect officers to serve as council members and as elders, and we will discuss and vote on the 2026 annual budget for the church.

**PARKING REQUEST:** with an aging congregation, our parking lot is short on handicapped parking spots. If you are able bodied, please park towards Greydene or in the gravel so those who struggle have a shorter distance to walk. Thank you.



**CHURCH PUBLICITY:** If you have a meeting or event for the St. John website and / or Facebook page please notify Gail at 720-201-8743 or [kirkegaard1998@charter.net](mailto:kirkegaard1998@charter.net). Also let her know if it is changed or canceled so our information is correct. Thank you.

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Parents may use the nursery in back of the church. Our monitor with remote control has now been installed to watch the service. Changing tables are available in three of our restrooms.

## Sermon Notes

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