



# The King Shall Come

HE IS COMING TO US



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## **First Sunday in Advent**

*The King Shall Come—  
He is Coming to Show Us Love*

**W**elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our services we gather before our almighty God to receive his gifts and to offer him our worship and praise. Through God's powerful Word and sacraments he renews our faith and strengthens us to serve in joy.

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Savior Jesus, in this Advent season we once again look to your coming with open eyes and hearts. Bless us with hope as we put our trust in you. Amen.

**THEME OF THE DAY:** Rulers administrate and govern. They typically do not save. If your house is on fire, it will not be the mayor who shows up to save you from the flames. If a tornado destroys our city, the governor won't be the one to pick up the rubble. Jesus is different. He is both greater than all other rulers, but also more humble. He does not consider it beneath his rank as King to risk his life for his subjects. He is willing to die for us. King Jesus came into our world for one reason—to save us. Today, our guest preacher shows us the depth of the love Jesus has for us, and the love he calls us to have for others.

**OUR WORSHIP SERIES:** The Church Year begins with the season of Advent, a word which means "coming." The greater the guest to our home, the greater the preparations are. In this worship series, we are reminded that the one who is coming to us is King over all. We see why the King came on that first Christmas and why he will come again on Judgment Day. We cherish the way our King comes to us today in Word and sacrament, establishing his reign in our hearts already now.

**THE ADVENT WREATH:** Christians in Europe adapted winter evergreen traditions to the themes of the Advent season centuries ago. Four candles adorn the modern wreath. The candles symbolize God's gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love. Each week in Advent we light a new candle, leading up to Christmas when we light the central white candle to remember God's greatest gift—Christ himself.

### ***SERVING GOD, SERVING US:***

Guest Preacher: Pastor James Mattek      Worship Leader: Pastor Ryan Wolfe  
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# Order of Worship

CW Hymnal, Setting One



## GATHERING RITE:

## Lead Us to Your Light

By. C. Browning

**Refrain** (Introduced by choir then sung by congregation)



Lead us to your light, lead us out of dark - ness.



Lead us to your light. Come, Jesus, come.

**Advent Verses** (Sung by soloist/choir)

Lord, we await your coming to our world; bring us the gift of salvation. *Refrain.*

Lord, you are hope and healing for our world; come, now, and bring us your good news. *Refrain.*

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Congregation: A - men.

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ invites us to come to him with penitent hearts, knowing that the sins of all who confess him as Savior are forgiven for all eternity. We rejoice in the One who told his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you." By his authority, hear his promise from the one he has called. Your sins are forgiven.

M: Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom.  
Lord, have mercy.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness. Christ have mercy.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: You will come in glory with salvation for your people. Lord, have mercy.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.



C: A - men.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### *Prayer of the Day*

M: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength, and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## First Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

*All of us have become unclean, tainted by sin. We needed our King to come to save us.*

<sup>1</sup>Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down,  
that the mountains would tremble before you!

<sup>2</sup>As when fire sets twigs ablaze  
and causes water to boil,  
come down to make your name known to your enemies  
and cause the nations to quake before you!

<sup>3</sup>For when you did awesome things that we did not expect,  
you came down, and the mountains trembled before you.

<sup>4</sup>Since ancient times no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,  
no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.

<sup>5</sup>You come to the help of those who gladly do right,  
who remember your ways.

But when we continued to sin against them,  
you were angry.

How then can we be saved?

<sup>6</sup>All of us have become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags;  
we all shrivel up like a leaf,  
and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

<sup>7</sup>No one calls on your name  
or strives to lay hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us  
and have given us over to our sins.

<sup>8</sup>Yet you, LORD, are our Father.  
We are the clay, you are the potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.

<sup>9</sup>Do not be angry beyond measure, LORD;  
do not remember our sins forever.

Oh, look on us, we pray,  
for we are all your people.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## CHOIR ANTHEM: Come, Emmanuel

Nancy Price and Don Besig

Come, Emmanuel, we're waitin' for you.  
We long to know the story is true that God will send to earth a Son;  
And the whole wide world is waitin' for you to come.

Come, Emmanuel, come. Come, Emmanuel, come.  
Come Emmanuel, the time is at hand to spread the news all over the land  
That You will come to set us free,  
And the whole wide world is waitin', waitin' to see.  
Some are waitin' for a mighty King with crimson robes and golden rings  
To rule with a strong and pow'rful hand, but that is not the Father's plan.

Come, Emmanuel, come.  
Come, Emmanuel, the moment is near for all to see and all to hear  
That faith and hope are born anew;  
And the whole wide world is waitin', waitin' for you.

And you will come as a tiny child, poor and humble, meek and mild,  
To live in faith and teach of love, to serve on earth and reign above!

Come, Emmanuel, we're waitin' for you.  
We long to know the story is true that God will send to earth a Son;  
And the whole wide world is waitin' for you to come.  
Come, Emmanuel, come. Come, Emmanuel, come.  
Come, Emmanuel, come. Come.

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

*Our faithful God promises to enrich us with every spiritual gift so that we can stand firm as we wait for our King to come again on Judgment Day.*

<sup>3</sup>Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. <sup>5</sup>For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— <sup>6</sup>God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. <sup>7</sup>Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. <sup>8</sup>He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## **Gospel**

Luke 10:25-37

*Jesus teaches about love in the parable of the good Samaritan.*

<sup>25</sup>On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

<sup>26</sup>“What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

<sup>27</sup>He answered, “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

<sup>28</sup>“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup>But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

<sup>30</sup>In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

<sup>32</sup>So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey,

brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

<sup>36</sup>“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

<sup>37</sup>The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

**M:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated.*

## **Children’s Devotion**

# Hymn of the Day: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service CW 766



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of  
2 Still your chil - dren wan-der home-less; still the hun - gry  
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re -  
4 Sent from wor - ship as your ser - vants, forth in your dear



hu - man need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en,  
cry for bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom;  
veal - ing light in its height and depth and great - ness,  
name we go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged,



of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants,  
still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your  
dawns up - on our quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the  
love in liv - ing deeds to show; hope and health, good -



bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se -  
deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the  
needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring  
will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your



crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift that you im - part.  
love your Spir - it kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
us to tire-less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

## Sermon

Based on Luke 10:25-37

### *"Help for the Hurting"*

Please stand after the sermon.



# THANKSGIVING

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Be seated.*

## Offering



Our members give offerings to support God's work in our church. Offerings can be put in the basket or made online by scanning the code. Visitors may give, but aren't expected to.

We ask members and visitors alike to fill out the connection card and place it in the basket now or as you leave. Please



share your prayer requests that we can pray for you.



*Please stand.*

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

# HYMN: The King of Glory Comes

CW 548



The King of glo - ry comes; the na - tion re - joic - es.



O - pen the gates be - fore him; lift up your voic - es.



1 Who is the King of glo - ry? How shall we call him?  
2 In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,  
3 He gave his life for us, the pledge of sal - va - tion;  
4 He con - quered sin and death; he tru - ly has ris - en,



He is Im - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.  
he goes a - mong his peo - ple, cur - ing their ill - ness.  
he took up - on him - self the sin of the na - tions.  
and he will share with us his heav - en - ly vi - sion.

## Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

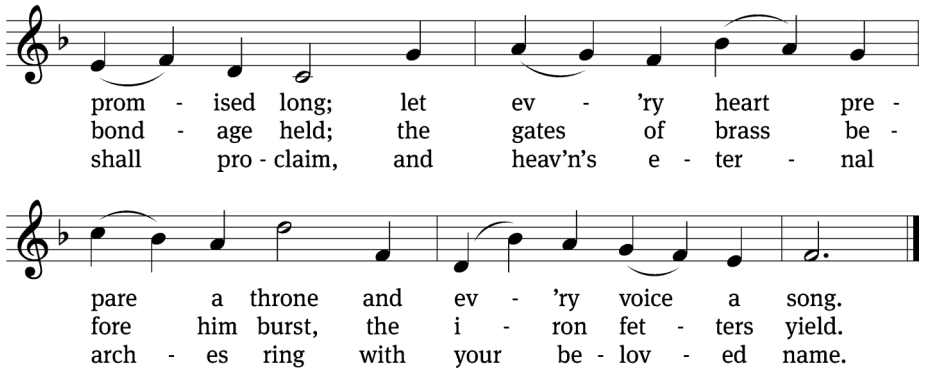
C: Amen.

# HYMN: Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes

CW 313 sts. 1-2,4



1 Hark the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior  
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's  
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, your wel - come



prom - ised long; let ev - 'ry heart pre -  
bond - age held; the gates of brass be -  
shall pro - claim, and heav'n's e - ter - nal

pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song.  
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.  
arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.

## Silent Prayer and Announcements

### Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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### Fellowship & Spiritual Growth

Sunday morning, all are invited to enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the entry between services. Sunday JAM for children ages 3yrs to 6th grade starts at 9:15am in the sanctuary. Pastor Mattek will lead a presentation on the ministry of Christian Family Solutions in the fellowship hall at the same time.

### For Worship Next Week

Worship theme: Prepare to Meet Him

Bible Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Hymns: 494, 487, 663, 850

### About our Guest Preacher

This weekend, Pastor James Mattek of Christian Family Solutions will be our guest preacher and Bible study leader. He will share more about the healing and helping ministries of Christian Family Solutions, which include Christian counseling, in-home care services, and senior living solutions. Pastor Mattek has served this ministry since 2004. Prior to joining the organization, Pastor Mattek was a parish pastor serving congregations in Watertown, WI and Findlay, OH. As Director of Ministry, Pastor Mattek provides doctrinal leadership and works in mission advancement. To learn more about Christian Family Solutions, please visit

[www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org](http://www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org).

# *Welcome to worship!*

## FOR OUR GUESTS

We are glad that you joined us to worship our Savior today. If you have questions about our church or service simply ask an usher or someone near you. We're happy to help. Please take note of a few helpful things:

- † **Restrooms** are located straight down the hall opposite the sanctuary entrance. Both men's and women's restrooms are equipped with **diaper changing tables** for your convenience.
- † Our sanctuary is equipped with an amplified "loop" system for **hearing assistance**. Please set hearing aids to the "T" position.
- † You will find a **connection card** in your pew. We ask members and guests to share their names and contact info, and invite you to share requests for contact or prayers.
- † Salem members give an **offering** to support the work we do for the Lord. Guests are not expected to give anything, but if you wish to make a donation you can place it in a basket as it's passed during the service or give online.

## FOR THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We love to see families worship together and we welcome children to sing and pray and grow with us in our services. Please note these special worship aids and helps for families:

- † Children's bulletins & "*quiet bags*" for your child's use in worship are available in the entry, just to the left of the office hallway. Ask an usher if you need help finding them.
- † If your child needs to be nursed or quieted for a few moments you can use our "*cry room*" down the hallway across from the restrooms. The service is shown live on a TV in the room.
- † Sunday mornings, before the hymn of the day and sermon, children of all ages are invited to come to the front of church for a short devotion on God's Word. Parents may accompany their children as they wish.

Salem Lutheran Church exists to glorify God  
by teaching his timeless Truth, that all may  
grow in grace and faith to share tomorrow's eternity.

