

V Shepherd's VOICE

November 27-28, 2021



Our Shepherd Lutheran

First Sunday in Advent, Divine Service Setting Three

... this week's word ...

“Stones Will Cry Out” Luke 19:28-40

We are in the season when shopping centers have full parking lots and I start wearing pants with expandable waists. The time of preparation for Christmas involves for some shopping and snacking. In the life of the church, we also spend this time looking forward to the arrival of Jesus. Our Bible readings focus on the ways God arrives into our world in the past, present and future. Our focus is not just on how God arrives into the world but also why God arrives into our lives. The Gospel Lesson for the First Sunday of Advent is the arrival of Jesus on Palm Sunday. When Jesus arrives into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week, the crowds said, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” Some of the Pharisees asked Jesus to censor the crowd and tell them to be silent. Jesus answered, “I tell you if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.” During December there is so much noise of busyness that it can appear like the joy of Jesus will be forgotten. Even if the culture around us does not acknowledge the truth of God and how he has revealed himself in Jesus Christ, the truth of Jesus still stands. The world may crumble all around us, but the truth of God’s love will be revealed in Jesus Christ.

Hymns

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Scripture Readings

Introit: *Psalm 89:6, 14-16, 18*
Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 19:28-40

... gather ...

Midweek Advent Worship: As we enter the season of Advent, join us as we gather for worship on Wednesdays, December 1, 8, and 15 either at 4:00 or 6:30pm. We will also livestream services each Wednesday.

... nurture ...

Some Advent devotionals accessible online: Lutheran Assoc. of Missionaries and Pilots (LAMP): www.ourshepherd.news/LAMP-Advent, or Lutheran Hour Ministries: www.ourshepherd.news/LHM-Advent.

... serve ...

Saturday, November 27, following the 6:00pm service, join your us for a light dinner and decorating the sanctuary for Christmas. There are things for all ages to do!



To Our Visitors

We pray you are strengthened in your faith and relationship with Jesus Christ as you worship with us today. Please send us an email if you would like more information about Our Shepherd: churchoffice@ourshepherd.net. We pray God's blessings on your time with us and look forward to seeing you again!

Where to Find More Information

The Notes & News monthly newsletter, is distributed the first Sunday of each month. Find copies of the newsletter, "Just Pray" prayer bulletin, and a list of monthly birthdays and baptism birthdays on our GNS (gather, nurture, serve) Slatwall, also on our website. Visit ourshepherd.net/resources/news.

Worship Schedule

Contemporary Saturdays
at 6:00pm

Traditional Sundays
at 8:30am and 11:00am

Sunday School Live!

9:45am on Sundays

Preschool - 5th Grade:
gather in church gym

6-7th Grade:
West Wing

8th Grade and High School:
Teen Room

Adults:
Sanctuary and Library

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Multiply your Gifts

For every new recurring gift that is added **before December 31, 2021**, ShelbyNext will match the gift, up to \$50, with a max match of \$1,000 per organization. Take an info sheet from the Welcome Center or visit our website to learn how!

Worship Attendance

Attendance is recorded via the cards in the pew racks, or by filling out the online Worship Attendance Form. Find the form at ourshepherd.news/gather or aim your phone camera at this QR code. *Thank you!*



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