

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT



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CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH REDLANDS, CA



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SUNDAY MORNING
9:00 a.m.–Divine Service 10:30 a.m.–Adult Bible Study & Sunday School

TO GUESTS AND VISITORS

We welcome you to our congregation in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please leave a record of your visit in our guest book near the main door. We pray that the Holy Spirit would richly bless your hearing of God's Word with a living trust in Jesus Christ who died and rose for you. **For more information regarding Baptism, instruction in the Christian faith, and communicant membership, please see Pastor Smith.**

RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER AT CHRIST THE KING

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- A) who have been **baptized** in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- B) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the **Lutheran Confessions**, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran Faith, and who **now confess** the same doctrine that is taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the **Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod**;
- C) who believe that in this sacrament the **real body and blood** of Christ are truly distributed to them and **orally received** by them, bestowing on them the **forgiveness of sins, life and salvation**;
- D) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and **desire to receive** God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

We welcome both children and adults, who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church to come to the altar during communion for a pastoral blessing. Please indicate the request for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.



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PRAYER CONCERNS

Linda Feenstra, sister of Rev. Daniel at the death of her husband Gary Feenstra

Jodi Henderson, struggling in her recovery from knee replacement surgery

Lori Kelsey, hospitalized with a broken hip

Patricia Dawley, recovering from knee replacement surgery

Jessica Ybarra, granddaughter of Bill and Delores McDaniel, suffering from breast cancer

The Hinkleman Family, as John Hinkleman Sr. has fallen asleep in Christ

Michael Fitch, father of Grant Fitch, who had his surgery postponed

Paul Gutierrez, son-in-law of Bruce and Connie Stevens, recovering from and preparing for surgery

David Bates, struggling with the affects of rheumatoid arthritis

Ron Inman, the father of Vickie Stegemann's son-in-law, brain cancer

Daniel Conrad, our missionary to Mexico.

Shut-ins: Elsie Albanese, Don Krahn, Pat Krahn, Harriet Ouimette, Irene Pickering,

Diane and Joe Ronchetto, Bill Nye, Mary McCarthy, Connie Johnson

Altar Flowers

*The flowers are given to the glory of God by Clifford
and Patricia Dawley in celebration of their 47th
wedding anniversary.*



SERVANTS for THIS WEEK		SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
Crucifer	Christian Vasquez	Aiden DeCent
Acolytes	Joshua Hoffmann & Ava Belli	Hayden Hinkleman & Brooke Cleary
Altar	Nicole Creavy	Tammy Hathaway
Elders	Tom Crowley	Dwayne Danielson
Finance	Lucy Becker & Roger Loewecke	John Hinkleman, Jr & Joe Vasquez
Flowers	Clifford and Patricia Dawley	James & Shelly Wilson
Ushers	Joe Belli & Dwayne Mugiishi	Joe Belli & Dwayne Mugiishi

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 8:00AM Choir Practice
9:00AM Divine Service
10:30AM..... Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
WEDNESDAY 6:00PM Soup Supper
7:00PM Evening Prayer
SATURDAY 8:30AM..... Bible Study

LWML

Winter
Quarterlies are
in the narthex.
Pick up your
copy today.

Dear CTK Church Family,

Thank you so much for all your prayers, cards, and support.

What a blessing to be a part of such a loving and caring congregation. A friend has a T-shirt that says, "Faith in Jesus doesn't make things easy; it makes them possible." You all are an uplifting example of how God uses brothers and sisters in Christ to make it possible for others to get through difficult times.

Gratefully,

The Hinkleman Family

Advent 2023

The season of Advent begins today. Our theme this year is The Incarnation and the Fruit of the Spirit. Please join us over the next few weeks for Evening Prayer Services on Wednesday evenings. There is a sign-up in the narthex for soup/salad dinners, we would love for you to join us.

LBCM FALL INGATHERING

Thank you all for your generous donations to Lutheran Border Concerns. These items were delivered to Pastor Ramon this past week. If you would like to read more about the ministry of LBCM, please visit their website

LBCM.ORG.

With thanksgiving,
LWML

Annual Wassail Party

Please join us on
TONIGHT at 5:00 pm
At the Mugiishi's
home.
1000 Holmes St.
Calimesa, Ca 92320

Babysitting for the Wassail Party

Please feel free to drop children off at the multipurpose building for complimentary childcare during the wassail party. Pizza, soda, games, and a movie are in store.
4:15 pm-8:15 pm
Gabriela and Dominick Vasquez will be supervising.



THE READINGS



Isaiah 64:1-9

¹ Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence-- ² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³ When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴ From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. ⁵ You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? ⁶ We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷ There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. ⁸ But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹ Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge-- ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you-- ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



Mark 11:1-10

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"



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The Lord Jesus Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us

Although we pray that God “*would rend the heavens and come down*” (Is. 64:1), that He would take vengeance against our enemies, we ourselves “*have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment*” (Is. 64:6). We have continued in our sins for “*a long time, and shall we be saved?*” (Is. 64:5). Yet, the Lord does not punish us in anger. He comes in voluntary meekness and humility to save us by His grace. Just as He once came into Jerusalem to sacrifice Himself for us upon the cross (Mark 11:4–8), He still comes to His Church with the fruits of His Passion. By His ministry of the Gospel, we are “*enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge,*” and so He will “*sustain you to the end*” (1 Cor. 1:5, 8). Although “*heaven and earth will pass away,*” His words “*will not pass away*” (Mark 13:31). As He sends disciples to call us to Himself in the fellowship of His Church, so will He “*send out the angels*” to gather us and all of His elect “*from the ends of the earth*” to Himself in heaven forever (Mark 13:27).

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

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What is Advent?

Advent marks the beginning of the Church Year. Advent is made up of the four Sundays that come right before Christmas. In other words, the deeper into Advent you go, the closer you get to Christmas Day. For Christians, the First Sunday in Advent is kind of like the “New Year’s Day” of the Church Year calendar.

Why do we celebrate Advent?

The word Advent means “coming.” During Advent, we prepare for the coming of the One who was born that first Christmas in a stable. We prepare for the One who saved us from sin, death and the power of the devil: our Lord Jesus Christ! What a wonderful and exciting time of preparation!



Parents:

At home, in order to help your children better prepare for the birth of Jesus, try using an Advent devotional booklet provided by the church for family devotions.



THE INTROIT Ps. 25:1-3; antiphon: Zech. 9:9b, alt



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

**To you, | O Lord, *
I lift | up my soul.**

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame; *
let not my enemies exult | over me.

**Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame; *
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning, *
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

THE GRADUAL Zech. 9:9; Ps. 118:26, alt.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion. *

Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.

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

**Blessed is he who comes in the name | of the Lord. *
From the house of the Lord we | bless you.**
