Midweek Advent 1
December 3, 2025

L O Lord, open my lips,
C **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**
L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C **make haste to help me, O Lord.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

Psalm *Psalm 8*

1 O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
2 **Out of the mouth of babes and infants,**
you have established strength because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.
3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
4 what is man that you are mindful of him,
and the son of man that you care for him?
5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honor.
6 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under his feet,
7 all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
8 the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
9 O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

331 The Advent of Our King *sts. 1–2, 4–6*

1 The advent of our King
Our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing
In strains of holy joy.

2 The everlasting Son
Incarnate deigns to be,
Himself a servant's form puts on
To set His servants free.

4 As judge, on clouds of light,
He soon will come again
And His true members all unite
With Him in heav'n to reign.

5 Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The sinful self be put away,
The new self now put on.

△ **6 All glory to the Son,**
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever one
Through all eternity.

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Reading *Genesis 1:26–31*

L A reading from Genesis, chapter 1.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *1 Corinthians 15:45–49*

L A reading from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *John 3:16–21*

L A reading from John, chapter 3.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory (Advent) *LSB 230*

L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**
L In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.
C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**
L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

Sermon

569 In Adam We Have All Been One *sts. 1, 3–6*

1 In Adam we have all been one,
One huge rebellious man;
We all have fled that evening voice
That sought us as we ran.

3 **But Thy strong love, it sought us still**
And sent Thine only Son
That we might hear His Shepherd's voice
And, hearing Him, be one.

4 **O Thou who, when we loved Thee not,**
Didst love and save us all,
Thou great Good Shepherd of mankind,
O hear us when we call.

5 **Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth;**
Thou Son, O set us free
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,
To make us one in Thee.

△ **6** **Then shall our song united rise**
To Thine eternal throne,
Where with the Father evermore
And Spirit Thou art one.

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Offering

Prayer

Kyrie *LSB 233*

C **Lord, have mercy;**
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

C **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.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Collects

L O Lord, hear my prayer.
C **And let my cry come to You.**

Collect of the Day

P 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.

Collect for Peace

L O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Benedicamus *LSB 234*

L Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction *LSB 234*

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **Amen.**

333 Once He Came in Blessing

1 **Once He came in blessing,**
All our sins redressing;
Came in likeness lowly,
Son of God most holy;
Bore the cross to save us;
Hope and freedom gave us.
2 **Now He gently leads us;**
With Himself He feeds us
Precious food from heaven,
Pledge of peace here given,
Manna that will nourish
Souls that they may flourish.
3 **Soon will come that hour**
When with mighty power
Christ will come in splendor
And will judgment render,
With the faithful sharing
Joy beyond comparing.
4 **Come, then, O Lord Jesus,**
From our sins release us.
Keep our hearts believing,
That we, grace receiving,
Ever may confess You
Till in heav'n we bless You.

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