

*Repent, for the kingdom of
heaven is at hand.*

MATTHEW 3:2

Sunday, December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

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Worship Plan for Sunday, December 4, 2022

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LBW Holy Communion Setting Two

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN *Prepare the Royal Highway* (LBW 26)

GREETING (LBW p. 78)

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

And also with you.

KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 81)

This is the feast.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the way for your only Son. By his coming give us strength in our conflicts and shed light on our path through the darkness of this world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-10

¹A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

¹Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son;

²**that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice;**

³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the little hills bring righteousness.

⁴**He shall defend the needy among the people; he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**

⁵He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.

⁶**He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.**

⁷In his time shall the righteous flourish; there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

¹⁸**Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous deeds!**

¹⁹And blessed be his glorious name forever, and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 15:4-13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we

might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; ¹⁰and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; ¹¹and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; ¹²and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SING TWO VERSES OF *Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel* LBW 34

1 Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.

2 Oh, come, oh, come, great Lord of might,
who to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law
in cloud, and majesty, and awe. *Refrain*

LIGHTING OF SECOND ADVENT CANDLE-LOVE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ALLELULIA VERSE (LBW p. 83)

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” ⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey.

⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand*

HYMN OF THE DAY *On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry* (LBW 36)

APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85)

THE PRAYERS

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING HYMN *We Give Thee but Thine Own* LBW 410 Verses 1&6

OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 88)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

DIALOGUE (LBW p. 88)

PREFACE (LBW p. 88)

SANCTUS (LBW p. 89)

THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 89)

LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS LORD AND HIS REAL PRESENCE IN THE BREAD AND WINE ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

COMMUNION (LBW p. 92)

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LAMB OF GOD (LBW p. 92)

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound LBW 448

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (LBW p. 92)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING (LBW p. 94)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Three Fold Amen-Sung

SENDING HYMN *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* WOV 754

DISMISSAL (LBW p. 94)

Go in peace and serve your neighbor.

Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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East Nidaros Sunday School

Christmas Program

Sunday, December 18 @ 10:30am service. Don't miss the Annual Cookie Sale! After the program, we will have lunch with soup, hot dogs and desserts! Make plans to attend!

If you are interested in serving in a position on the Baltic Lutheran Church counsel or another position, please contact the nominating committee for more information as some end of terms are coming up at the end of the year. Positions are generally a 1 year term or 3 year term. Thank you -Dixie Fiala 605-366-2635, Barb Haux 605-941-1797, Corynne Teveldal 605-376-5097.

Anyone interested in picking up and delivering Meals on Wheels to our community, please call the office and sign up. The DNRC provides the meals and we would like your help providing the wheels to deliver these hot lunch meals to those in need. Please call (605-529-5471) or email us at nidaros@alliancecom.net. Thank you for serving.



MEMBERS

Tanya Vollan - Paul Romsdahl
Betty Jean Benjamin - Donna Lee Boyd
Ryan Voeltz - Rhoda Wold
Ella Riswold - Dorothy Sittig
Barb Lobdell -Shari Fowlds
Peggy Sue Warkenthien
Ed Mellegaard

FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Darrel McMahon—Brother of Ann Romsdahl
John Jorgensen—Friend of the Community
Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community
Clara Shank Gabrielle—Cousin of Karen Doom
Michael Gross—Friend of Jesse and Jenni Hartman
Jay Vogt— Friend of the Community
Renaë Nelson-Friend of the Community
Darci Niva –Sister of Ginger Lodmell
Jennifer Even—Friend of the Community
Kami Van Sickle—Daughter of Tom & Becky Siemonsma
Ona DeWitte—Mother of Lisa Olson

DECEMBER NOISY CAN

Baltic: Baltic Food Bank
East: Baltic Food Bank

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Attendance: 45

Nov 27: General Fund: \$748.00 Noisy Can: \$19.87
Thankoffering \$545.00 WELCA gift \$1500.00

East Nidaros Attendance: 29

Nov 27: General Fund: \$380.00 Noisy Can: \$24.04
Fuel Fund \$20.00 Thankoffering \$30.00



POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

Anyone wishing to place a poinsettia plant at the church in memory of a loved one is welcome to do so during the Christmas season. Please call or email the office and let Lisa know who the memorial is for so we can post this information.

Last week, a poinsettia was placed at Baltic in loving memory of Orill and Bonnie Johnson from the Sherry Hanson and Larry Miller families.

Ch-joy.com
Designed by
Sama





FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Monetary Donations always Welcome!

Donations can be mailed to:

PO Box 244 Baltic SD 57003

- White Sugar
- Brown Sugar
- Ramen Noodles
- Boxed Potatoes
- Knorr Sides
(Pasta & Rice)
- Canned Vegetables
- Boxed Pasta
- Crackers
- Snack Crackers
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Taco Seasoning
- Flour
- Oil
- Sloppy Joe
- Brownie Mix
- Pancake Mix
- Kleenex
- Laundry Soap
- Dish soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Toothpaste
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper

**NO OPENED,
PARTIALLY USED
OR
OUTDATED ITEMS
PLEASE**

Items may be dropped off at the Baltic School in the red box in the Commons or in the Baltic Narthex or East Nidaros Fellowship Hall.

December Noisy Can is Baltic Food Bank

This charitable organization helps support families in need in the Baltic Community. Your generous gift allows us the opportunity to purchase needed items that we are in short supply of in our food pantry.



Quilting Group East is looking for individuals interested in helping with quilts. Interested persons need not know how to quilt as we need people to help in putting them together. Any helping hands will be greatly appreciated. Contact the church office @ 605-529-5471.

Sunday, December 4th, 2022

Baltic	9:00 am Worship and Livestream on Facebook on BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 am Worship

Things Happening Week of December 4th

Mon Dec 5	Quilting at East 1pm 6:30pm Bible Study @ Baltic
Tues Dec 6	1 pm Bible Study @ EN 2:30 PQ worship at DNRC 7pm Council Meeting at East
Wed Dec 7	6:30-7:30 7th & 8th Confirmation @ East 6:30-7:30pm Food Bank open
Thur Dec 8	Quilting at East 8:30am-noon

Sunday, December 11th

Baltic	9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Worship and Live Streamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

Dec 4 & 11

Baltic

Corynne & Brett Teveldal 376-5097

Ann & Paul Romsdahl 334-9111

Nov 27-Dec 4

East Nidaros

Mark Brobjorg 351-5917

David & Melissa Daugaard 999-8290

Dec 11 & 18

East Nidaros

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