



Resolutely

"And he called His name Jesus."

Matthew 1:25b

The fourth part in the series: "Advent Adverbs"

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AS WE GATHER

The season of Advent reminds us that we as individuals are part of the big picture of salvation planned by our God as we reflect on the coming of Christ to earth for us. We are called to be resolute, as in the words of the hymn "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"—determined and assured in Christ. We celebrate the season resolutely, sure that in Christ, God has done all that is necessary to keep us in His salvation picture for time and for eternity!

OPENING HYMN**PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY****LSB 343*****INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCESIsaiah 45:8a; Psalm 19:1, 4–6; 112:1b, 7b*

- P Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down righteousness;
C **let the earth open, that salvation and righteousness may bear fruit; let the earth cause them both to sprout.**
- P The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.
C **Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.**
- P In them He has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
C **Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**
- P Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in His commandments!
C **His heart is firm, trusting in the LORD. Praise the LORD!**

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P Let us now make confession of our sins to God, our gracious heavenly Father.
C **Eternal God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and that sin is ever-present in our lives. O God, in Your mercy, forgive our sin. Redirect and renew us, that we may joyfully follow Your will and gladly obey Your commandments. Graciously forgive our sins and, by the leading of the Holy Spirit, guide us in ways of compassion and love.**
- P In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in peace.
C **Amen.**

*SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

During the singing of the hymn, three candles on the Advent wreath are lighted.

*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

LSB 357, vs. 1, 6, 7

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|---|--|
| 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear. Refrain | 6 O come, Thou Dayspring from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight. Refrain |
| ref Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel! | 7 O come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid Thou our sad divisions cease,
And be Thyself our King of Peace. Refrain |

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 7:10–17

¹⁰Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹"Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." ¹²But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." ¹³And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? ¹⁴Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. ¹⁵He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. ¹⁷The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Men's Choir

EPISTLE

Romans 1:1–7

¹Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ²which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, ⁶including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

⁷To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18–25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall call his name Immanuel"

(which means, God with us). ²⁴When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*NICENE CREED

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C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,**

**very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

SERMON

RESOLUTELY

(based on ISAIAH 7:10-17)

OFFERING

Those who support this church and its ministry by giving electronically are invited to place the "I Give Online" cards located in each pew in the offering plate as a way of participating in this act of worship.

HYMN OF RESPONSE LIFT UP YOUR HEADS, YE MIGHTY GATES LSB 340, vs. 1, 2, 5

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

***PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

***PROPER PREFACE**

***SANCTUS** —*tune LSB 161*

- C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

***PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

***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.**

***PAX DOMINI**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

***AGNUS DEI**—*tune LSB 163*

- C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

COMING UP AT TLO — December 18, 2022 — December 26, 2022**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:30am	Salad luncheon--come hungry!
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	3:00pm	Caroling--no singing talent needed! Come for the fun!
	6:00pm	Hoops
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class
	5:00pm	Trail Life Troop 2950 Christmas party
	5:30pm	Grade 4-5 Girls BB game
Tue	10:30pm	TLO leads worship at Lexington Pointe Senior Living
	6:30pm	Board of Christian Outreach
Wed		NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break begins
	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	4:00pm	Midweek Confirmation
	5:15pm	Advent Meal served by WoW Bible study and Stewardship
	6:30*pm	Advent Worship
	7:15pm	Men's choir rehearsal
Thur		NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break
Fri		Church office closed; NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break
Sat	3:30pm	Christmas Eve Family Worship
	7:00*pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sun	9:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	12:30pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
Mon		Church office closed; NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break

*worship online at www.trinityloneak.org**Ladies' Salad Luncheon TODAY!****Sunday, December 18 | 11:30am | TLO Conference Room**

No RSVP? No problem! Come and enjoy salad and fellowship with your TLO friends.
 There will be plenty of food and plenty of good conversation for all!



Christmas Caroling and pizza

Sunday, December 18 | 3:00pm | All ages | Meet in the TLO gym

Bring Christmas joy to TLO members in homes and in care centers. Meet at TLO to form caroling groups that make up to 4 stops. All ages welcome, and no singing talent needed! Join us!



The Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who participated as TLO sponsored multiple families. All gift wishes were fulfilled.

Thank you to Thrivent Financial for sponsoring this event in part.

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"Wise Men Seek the Savior" — Christmas Activities for Families

Wednesday, December 28 | 2:00-4:00pm

Interest in this event is HIGH! Can you lend three hours of your time to share Jesus with our community? Please contact the church office to learn more about this wonderful opportunity.



Advent Meal and Worship

December 21 | 5:15 & 6:30pm

WoW Bible study and the Board of Stewardship are serving supper prior to worship, Ryan Kroonblawd and Lynn Kroonblawd share their music, and this Advent service we learn that Jesus is the Son of Mary. Make it a great night of food, fellowship and worship.



Marriage Retreat

February 17-18 | Camp Omega Lodge, Waterville MN

Does your spouse feel like your roommate? You and your spouse are 100% committed to love and honor each other, but the routine of jobs, kids, chores, and bills has overshadowed the romance and passion you once knew. All of it has left you feeling disconnected, disillusioned, and alone. Join Pastor and Lynn Kroonblawd for a Marriage Retreat at the new Camp Omega Lodge where we will work through Dr. Greg and Erin Smalley's new book published by Focus on the Family, *Reconnected: Moving from Roommates to Soulmates in Your Marriage!* Space is limited to four couples. Cost is \$400 per couple and includes one-night stay at the Camp Omega Lodge, plus four meals. For further information contact the church office.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: December 11, 2022

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	8,104.00
(Our offering budget is \$8,175 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	1,527.50
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	Current and Mission in memory of Lloyd Sachs	\$	35.00
	Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	37.00
	Thrivent Choice to 1883 School Annual Fund	\$	30.00
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	185.00
	Tuition	\$	10,079.58
	Sunday school	\$	4.04
	Chapel	\$	68.36
	Church and school fees	\$	2,821.40
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	22,891.88
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	460.00
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	5.00
	Young Investor Stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	211.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	676.00



2023 offering envelopes are in the church narthex. Contact the church office if you need a box prepared for you!



2023 calendars, Devotionals, Portals of Prayer, My Devotions
Stop by the narthex to take any items you can make use of. Share with a friend, too!



Amnion Pregnancy Center is hiring an Assistant Nurse Manager. Learn more about Amnion and for a link to the job description at helpofferhope.org or in the church narthex.



Remember in Prayer

Pam Burdick, dealing with artery blockage

Ryker Buecksler, thanksgiving he's went home December 10!

Rich and Dixie Cliff

Ginny & Steve, Hannah's coworker, as Ginny is diagnosed w/ stage 4 non hodgkin's lymphoma

Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, in need of prayer

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Dan Linse, thanksgiving that his cast is off; full healing is still in progress

Brian Motz in need of our prayers

Ian Olander, TLO Grade 3 student, keep updated at caringbridge.org/visit/iano

John Prusak, Keith's father, struggling with Parkinson's and dementia

Billy D. Swain, ongoing health concerns

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell, thanksgiving to God for His mighty hand in their lives. Beverly has transitioned home; prayers that she can get the care she needs at home.



Pastor Kroonblawd had the privilege of serving as the guest preacher at the Concordia University-WI Fall Baccalaureate Ceremony preceding the December Graduation Ceremony yesterday, Saturday, December 17. Son, Ryan Kroonblawd, graduated and will be attending Concordia Seminary in St. Louis next fall. We thank God for the gifts He's given Ryan and pray for Ryan as he prepares for the ministry.



Birthdays this week

Dec. 18 Kurt Vallin, Amelia Volkert

Dec. 19 Teri Garrity

Dec. 20 Galata Benya

Dec. 21 Elizabeth Berg

Dec. 23 Corban Lumives

Dec. 24 Ben Swenson

Anniversaries this week

Dec. 18 Graig and Marie Lumives



Bible Seminar at TLO

January 28, 2023 | 9am - 3pm

Pastor Lessing leads our annual Bible seminar. This year's title is "Genesis: The most important book." Lunch is included. Register with the church office or at trinityloneoak.org, and bring a friend! Thank you to Thrivent Financial for sponsoring this event in part.

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Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children’s bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. Please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord’s Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

Christmas Worship

December 24 | 3:30pm | Christmas Eve Family Worship

December 24 | 7:00pm | Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion

December 25 | 9:00am | Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion

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Worship Sunday, January 1 | 9:00am

Note there is only one worship service Sunday, January 1, 9:00am. While there is no Sunday school, Pastor Lessing will be teaching Bible class at 10:00am that’s suitable for any learner! Bring Christmas cookies if you have them, and join the study!