

Sunday, November 29, 2020 First Sunday of Advent

LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION – REMOTE WORSHIP

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Together let us honestly and humbly confess that we have not lived as God desires.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Loving and forgiving God,
- C we confess that we are held captive by sin.

In spite of our best efforts, we have gone astray. We have not welcomed the stranger; we have not loved our neighbor;

we have not been Christ to one another.

Restore us, O God.

Wake us up and turn us from our sin.

Renew us each day in the light of Christ. Amen.

P People of God, hear this glad news:

by God's endless grace

your sins are forgiven, and you are free-

free from all that holds you back

and free to live in the peaceable realm of God.

May you be strengthened in God's love,

+ comforted by Christ's peace,

and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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GATHERING HYMN Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn 1. A - wake! A - wake, and greet for the new morn, 2. To all sor - row and fear, Em us, to in dark -3. In est night his com - ing shall be, when 4. Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for hum - ble song man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his is the world is de - spair - ing, morn - ing light all as so dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall be hold! the Child of our long - ing. he is born, soon qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing; qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing. fear - less; and lov - ing and crown you with light, be strong ba by weak and poor, bring all hearts to -Come as to to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing mu - sic forth in song, Then shall the mute break the lame shall leap love our prayer and our end - less Love be our song and love geth - er, pens wide the heav'n - ly he 0 door, and kind - ness, thun - der of an - thems roll the his to won - der, the weak be raised the strong, and a bove sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share, and lives now in - side for us ev er. shat - ter all ha - tred blind and ness.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

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C And also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie for Advent

For - give us, Lord, for times when hope was lost,



and mo - ments when we nev - er thought to trust,









PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

A Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.

You call all nations to walk in your light

and to seek your ways of justice and peace,

for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near.

Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.

Rouse us from sleep,

that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes

and welcome him into our hearts and homes,

for he is our light and our salvation.

Blessed be God forever.

C Amen.

A READING FROM ISAIAH THE 64TH CHAPTER

Isaiah 64:1-9

¹O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—

²as when fire kindles brushwood

and the fire causes water to boil-

to make your name known to your adversaries,

so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,

you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

⁴From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived,

no eye has seen any God besides you,

who works for those who wait for him.

⁵You meet those who gladly do right,

those who remember you in your ways.

But you were angry, and we sinned;

because you hid yourself we transgressed.

⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.

We all fade like a leaf.

and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

⁷There is no one who calls on your name,

or attempts to take hold of you;

for you have hidden your face from us,

and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

⁸Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;

we are the clay, and you are our potter;

we are all the work of your hand.

⁹Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever.

Now consider, we are all your people.

A Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 13th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 13:24-37

[Jesus said:] ²⁴"In those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

- P The Gospel of the Savior.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY Pastor Dorothy

(Silence for reflection)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator of the Stars of Night



APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A God of power and might, tear open the heavens and come quickly to this weary world. Hear our prayers for everyone in need.

A brief silence.

A We pray for the ministry we share in Christ's name. Open our hearts to your call for justice, peace, and healing. Attune us to the needs of the world as you draw near. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for this planet in need of restoration: for devastated habitats, polluted waters, thawing ice, blazing fires, swelling floods, and long-lasting droughts. Renew the face of the earth and our relationship to it. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for all people who care for others in our community and around the world. Fill them with compassion and the power to respond with justice for those who are oppressed, with welcome for those who are excluded, and with relief for those who suffer. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for people who are in crisis as the seasons change: for those without homes facing severe weather, for those who are unemployed or underemployed, and for those in poverty or facing food insecurity, for those who continue to suffer from the ravages of this pandemic. Relieve their burdens, sustain their bodies, and ease their minds. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for the people in our families and congregation who live with depression, anxiety, chronic pain, addiction, and other invisible illnesses especially: the family of Mary Torland Brown, the Skirvin family, Dale, Peter, Suzanne, Tyson, Chris, Wayne B, Nancy, Carl, Danielle, Ned & Carolyn, Sandy, Jerry, Hal, John, Duane, Jean, Jason, Anson, Dawn, Bob, and Humphrey. Ease their suffering and support them when they struggle. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

For what else do the people of God pray...

- A We give thanks for the lives and witness of those who died especially Mary Brown, while waiting for justice, peace, or healing, those whose names we know and those whose names are known only to you. Sustain all who still yearn for the completion of your redeeming work. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P Draw near to us, O God, and receive our prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Tim will randomly assign you to small groups that will automatically send you to breakout rooms.

When you see a box on your screen, click on the "go to room #". You will join a couple of other people there.

Have fun. Please unmute yourself.

When the time is over, you will automatically return to the worship space where we will continue with announcements.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.

Generous God, you have created all that is, and you provide for us in every season. Bless all that we offer, that through these gifts the world will receive your blessing. In the name of Jesus, Emmanuel, we pray. Amen.

(If you have not already done so, you may remove the veil from your communion elements)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- 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 our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING

- May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life eternal.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- Let us pray. Gracious and abundant God,
- C you have done great things for us, and we rejoice.

In this bread and cup you give us life forever.

In your boundless mercy, strengthen us and open our hearts to the world's needs,

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

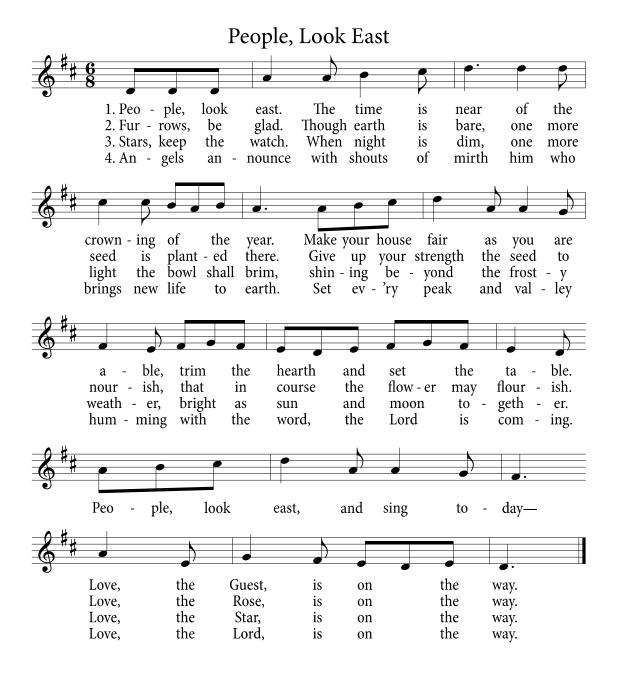
Amen.

SENDING

SENDING BLESSING

- The Creator of the stars bless your Advent waiting, the long-expected Savior fill you with love, the unexpected Spirit guide your journey,

 → now and forever.
- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE BIBLICAL TEXTS:

2nd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 6 Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 2 Peter 3:8-15a Mark 1:1-8

WEEKLY GIVING

\$NA

online \$20

November 22, 2020

MONTHLY GIVING

<u>October</u>

\$21,186

GIVING

There are at least four ways to share your tithes and offerings. First, you can mail a check to the church office. Second, you could use your online banking bill pay. Third, you can set up an automatic payment through our third-party giving platform, Vanco (if you need help setting this up, give a call to the church office). Fourth, you can go to the website

<u>www.tigardlutherans.com</u> and click on the "donate" button to make single contributions through Vanco.

LET THE CELEBRATIONS BEGIN!

Thanksgiving is now past. It was very different, right? Well, Christmas looks like more of the same. BUT! Let's gather to make **Advent** and **Christmas** Zoomtastic!

Zoom in on Sundays at 10:30am for live **Advent Worship** including lighting of the Advent Wreath and Holy Communion. (find the link on the website, or in this newsletter)

Zoom in on Wednesdays at 6:30pm for **Soup-Supper and Scripture**. A time to gather with fellow ministers of the gospel for a meal and conversation. Conversation will begin about 7pm. When we go our way, we will already be home! (Look for the link on the website or elsewhere in this newsletter.)

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Continue to set aside non-perishable food for the Cascade Vineyard Church food bank. Use the suggestions from the Reverse Advent Calendar (see December Crownicle) for items to collect during December. There are members ready to pick up your donations, or you can stop by the church and drop it in the barrel outside the office doors. Bless you.

ADDITIONAL NOTES: This worship service is being recorded and will be uploaded to Facebook, YouTube and the church Website www.tigardlutherans.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

In this time of distance, we continue to pray for one another. When you have a prayer request there are several ways you can communicate that with us. One, call the church office, 503.639.2789. Two, send an email to jeannedurbetaki@gmail.com and Jeanne will activate the prayer chain. Three, go to the church's website www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the "How May We Pray For You" button.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME

There are copies of the daily devotional Christ In Our Home sitting all alone in the narthex, waiting for someone to request them. If you would like to have one, please contact Linda in the office at ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com or call 503.639.2789. There are regular and large print copies.

Those in our Prayers: the family of Mary Torland Brown, the Skirvin family, Dale Conley, Peter, Suzanne Metcalf, Tyson Gilbert, Chris Rovog. Wayne B, Nancy Doss, Carl Cottingham, Danielle Johnstone, Ned & Carolyn Snow, Sandy Clifton, Jerry Gleason, Hal Schmidt, John Maher, Duane Birkeland, Jean Baker, Jason Carroll, Anson Holt Steele, Dawn Stell, Bob Brink and Humphrey Chai.

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