

Welcome

Song –

On this second Sunday in Advent,
we light a second candle, a candle of peace.
We pray that peace would be the foundation of our hearts.
We pray that peace would be the foundation of our homes.
We pray for green pastures of peace, to live, to work, to worship, and to rest.
On this second Sunday in Advent, we light a second candle,
trusting in Christ, our peace.

Rejoice O Church, **for Christ is coming soon!**

Rejoice O people, **and prepare the way for God!**

Rejoice believers, **even now, God's word is being fulfilled!**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Readings – Malachi 3:1-4; Philippians 1:3-11

Children's Message

Song –

Gospel Reading – The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Pastor Trey Daum

Song -

Baptism – Avia Grace Silva

Baptism Song -

Offering

Song (Offering) –

Prayers of Intercession

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

A brief silence.

You send messengers into the world to proclaim the day of your coming. Make our bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay preachers confident in their preaching, that their words and our lives witness to your grace. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Send your Spirit to all living creatures that are endangered. Provide them with shelter and care, and bring us into right relationship with the earth that you create and call good. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Send leaders to our nations, cities, schools, and businesses to work on behalf of those who have lost parents, spouses, and loved ones; immigrants; the imprisoned; those living in poverty; and all who are oppressed. Make them bold in their commitments to justice and reconciliation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Send your servants to care for those who suffer. Use our ministries and our lives to reach out with compassion to those who are hungry, oppressed, lonely, or ill especially especially Steve Palo and his family on the death of his mother, Justin Pederson, Vern Voelzke, Donna Steenson, Jenna, Lethe and Dee. Grant them healing and wholeness. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Send prophets to speak difficult truths, even when they are poorly received. Embolden those who ask hard questions and challenge accepted ways. Instill in youth and elders alike a passion for pointing to Jesus in all things. Bless Ella and Avia, their parents and godparents, and all those in their family both present and absent. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember your saints, both those publicly celebrated and those more humbly remembered. Confident that your work will be completed, we live in faith until the day of your coming. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins as
we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Songs (Communion) -

Benediction

As you leave this place, your homework begins:
Comfort the homesick. Open your homes and hearts to others.
Seek sanctuary where God offers it.
Have the courage to go home by another way.
And remember that in this home, all are welcome, you are welcome.
So come back home soon.
And may God our Foundation: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Song –

Sending

Go in peace. Make your hearts a home for Christ.

Thanks be to God.