



Wednesday, December 4, 2024

“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.” John 6:35

Opening ... "The Advent of Our King" *LSB* 331 vrs. 1-3, 6

Invocation and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. (*One blue candle is lit on the Advent wreath.*)

P: The name of the city of David, the little town of Bethlehem, means "House of Bread." It was the birthplace for Jesus our Savior, who called himself the Bread of Life. We light the first candle on our Advent wreath remembering that Jesus, the living Bread from heaven, came to offer himself as the perfect sacrifice for our sins.

C: Jesus, Bread of heaven, feed us now and forever.

Confession and Absolution

P: Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord asks us, "Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?" (Isaiah 55:2). We turn away from God's will to things that can never satisfy us. Let us confess our sins to God and ask his forgiveness.

C: Almighty God, we have turned away from your Word and your will for our lives. We try to satisfy our needs by following the temptations of the devil, the world around us and our own sinful desires. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

P: God has had mercy on us. He sent his Son into the world to be our Savior and, for his sake, forgives our sins. God tells us, "Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live" (Isaiah 55:2-3). I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C: Jesus, Bread of heaven, feed us now and forever!

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God...Bread of Heaven, feed us now and forever! Amen.

Hymn ... “Savior of the Nations, Come” *LSB* 332; vrs. 1-2

Old Testament Reading ... *Exodus 16:1-17*

Epistle Reading ... *Colossians 3:15-17*

Gospel Reading ... *John 6:27-35*

Sermon Hymn ... “Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord”

LSB 352; vrs. 1-2, 4, 6

Sermon

Apostles’ Creed

Offering & Attendance / Involvement Cards

Prayers

Each petition concludes with the following response:

P: Jesus, Bread of Life, **C: Feed us now and forever.**

Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

P: Jesus said, “The bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

C: Give us this bread always.”

P: Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all. **C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn ... “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

LSB 918; vrs. 1

December Worship Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 4 Advent Worship, 11:30 AM and 7 PM

Sunday, Dec. 8: Christmas Cantata, 8:15 AM and 10:45 AM

Wednesday, Dec. 11: Advent Worship, 11:30 AM and Family Advent Service, 7 PM. Chicken Strip meal at Noon and 5-7 PM. Free-will offering for J.J. Wolf Missionary Family

Sunday, Dec. 15: Christmas Preschool Program 1 PM. Children's Christmas Program 3 PM.

Wednesday, Dec. 18: Advent Worship, 11:30 AM and 7 PM

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, Dec. 24:

✠ Candlelight Services at 11:30 AM, 4 PM & 11 PM.

✠ Contemporary Candlelight Service at 7 PM

Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25: 9 AM Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, Dec. 29: (First Sunday after Christmas) 8:15 & 10:45 AM Worship Services

New Year's Eve, Tuesday, Dec. 31: Holy Communion Worship service at 11:30 AM & 6 PM

