

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2008



Pre-service Meditation

Psalm 89; pg. 141-142

Opening Hymn 70

"Hosanna to the Living Lord"

Our Order of Worship:
Lutheran Hymnal pg. 5

Psalm for the Day:
(from Psalm 89)

- P: I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever;
C: With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations.
- P: For I have said, "Mercy shall be built up forever;
C: Your faithfulness You shall establish in the very heavens."
- P: "I have made a covenant with My chosen,
C: I have sworn to My servant David:
- P: 'Your seed I will establish forever,
C: And build up your throne to all generations.' "
- P: God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints,
C: And to be held in reverence by all those around Him.
- P: O LORD God of hosts, Who is mighty like You, O LORD?
C: Your faithfulness also surrounds You.

- P: You have a mighty arm;
C: Strong is Your hand, and high is Your right hand.
- P: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;
C: Mercy and truth go before Your face.
- P: Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound!
C: They walk, O LORD, in the light of Your countenance.
- P: Blessed be the LORD forevermore!
C: Amen and Amen.
- P: Glory be to God!
ALL: ♪ "Glory be to the Father..." _____

~ The Collect ~

- P:** *Let us pray* - Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come among us with great might; and because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let Your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- ALL: ♪ "A - - - men"

Scripture Readings

"These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." - John 20:31

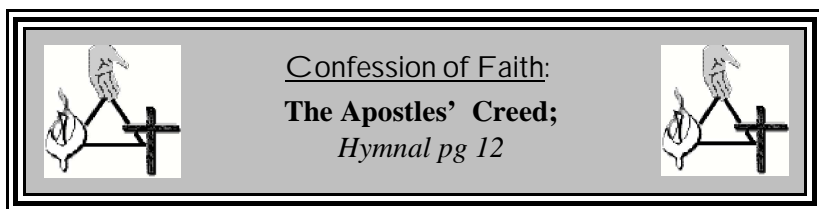
Old Testament Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:8-16 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel: 9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth. 10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime, 11 And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house. 12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. 14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with

the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men: 15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee. 16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

P: Alleluia, Alleluia. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. Alleluia! (Is 7:14)

ALL: ♪ Jesus comes to hearts rejoicing,
Bringing news of sins forgiv'n;
Jesus comes in sounds of gladness,
Leading souls redeemed from heav'n
Alleluia! Alleluia! Now the gate of death is riv'n. Amen

New Testament Lesson: Romans 16:25-27 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, 26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith: 27 To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen



Hymn 62 "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel"

~ The Sermon ~

Luke 1:26-38 ("The Annunciation") Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And having come in, the angel

said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" 29 But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. 30 Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. 32 "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." 34 Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" 35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. 36 "Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. 37 "For with God nothing will be impossible." 38 Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

FAITH BELIEVES THE IMPOSSIBLE

~ The Offertory ~

♪ "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me..."

~ Offering of Thankful Hearts and Prayers ~

Hymn 59

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

The Benediction

Closing Hymn 56:4-5

"Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring"

WELCOME TO YOU ALL! We rejoice at the opportunity to share with you the hope that is within us. We pray that you might ever desire to learn more about the glorious Son of God, our Savior from sin, Jesus Christ. If you are visiting and would like to learn more about our church, our teachings, or today's service please speak with the pastor. We hope you may be able to join us again! We ask that our visitors record their visit by signing our guest register.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE We rejoice to hear the good news that unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given! Wednesday at 6:00 pm will be our Christmas Eve service entitled, "Christmas Through A Child's Eye." Parents are asked to have their children to church by 5:30 for warm-up. Thursday at 9:00 we continue our Christmas celebration with our Christmas Day service. With the shepherds let us go with haste and find out more about this thing which the Lord has made known to us!

ATTENTION VOTERS: According to our Constitution any proposed changes to the Constitution must be formally announced to the Voters prior to meeting. The Board of Elders would like to propose the following change to our Church Constitution. By-Law 5.02 currently reads:

Regular meetings. *Regular meetings of the corporation shall be held on the first Thursday of the months of January, April, July, and October, at 7:30 pm, the first of which shall be the annual meeting.*

We will be proposing the following change at our Annual Meeting on January 4:

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This Week @ Prince of Peace...

Today	10:15	Gospel's Study / Sunday School (NT 2/3)
	11:00	Adult Choir Practice
	11:15	Children's Christmas Eve Rehearsal
Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve		
	5:30	Warm-up
	6:00	Christmas Eve Service
Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day		
	9:00	Christmas Day Service
Sunday, December 28 - First Sunday after Christmas		
	9:00	Worship service
	10:15	Gospel's Study / Sunday School (NT 4)
Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve		
	7:30	New Year's Eve Service with Holy Communion
Sunday, January 4		
	9:00	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:20	Bible Class / Sunday School (OT 41 - David and Bethsheba)
	11:15	Christmas Clean-up
	11:45	Potluck Dinner
	12:15	Annual Meetings



*He shall
be great
and shall be
called the
Son of the
Highest.*

Luke 1:32

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