**Worship Plan for Sunday, Nov 5, 2017**

**Parts highlighted in gray are only at the 11 am service.**

**WELCOME & SHARING OF CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**

Good morning and welcome to worship at Advent Lutheran. We are glad to have you here this morning and we trust God will be at work in you through this time we share.

There are clipboards in the narthex with resources for children and those of you who find it easier to focus with something to keep your hands and mind active. If you missed those on the way in, go ahead and pick one of those up now.

While they do that, be sure to let us know you were present this morning by filling out the Connection Card in your bulletin. There are some upcoming events and opportunities on the back that you can let us know you want to be part of too. When you’ve filled it out you can place it in the pocket on the center aisle of your pew.

Does anyone have a concern for prayer or a celebration to share from the past or upcoming week?

Thanks everyone.

Now let us begin our worship as we stand together

and join in confession and forgiveness.

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the + holy Trinity,

the one who fashions us, the one who heals us,

the one who reforms us again and again.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God’s transforming power.

Source of all life,

**we confess that we have not trusted your grace to set us free.**

**We fear that we are not good enough.**

**We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it.**

**We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward.**

**Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love,**

**willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just,**

**and seek the healing of your whole creation.**

**Amen.**

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us

and to empower our lives in the world.

Our sins are forgiven, + God’s love is unconditional,

and we are raised up as God’s people who will always be made new,

in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

**KYRIE** *In peace, let us pray to the Lord (ELW 157)*

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the ~

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,

for the unity of all, let us pray to the ~

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

For your people here who have come to give you praise,

for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the ~

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, and defend us, O God.

**Amen.**

**NOW THE FEAST** *Now the Feast and Celebration (ELW 167)*

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy “Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**CHOIR ANTHEM** *Truly God is Good Michael Barrett*

*(The first reading is read by the lay assistant)*

**THE READING**:  Joshua 1:1-9

A reading from Joshua.

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses’ assistant, saying, 2“My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. 3Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. 4From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. 5No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. 6Be strong and courageous; for you shall put this people in possession of the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. 7Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. 8This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. 9I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

*The reading may be concluded:*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to welcome the Gospel.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*(The gospel is read by the pastor)*

**GOSPEL:** Luke 12:27-34

*The gospel is announced.*

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

27Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 28But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! 29And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. 30For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. 32“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. 34For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying (ELW 436) Vs. 1, 3*

**CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,**

**God’s only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at**

**the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come 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.**

*(The pastor reads the introduction and the ending,   
the lay assistant reads the indented petitions.)*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Welcoming God’s reign of righteousness and mercy, let us pray with people of every time and place.

Gather your church from every nation, tribe, people, and language to proclaim your salvation. Defend and preserve those who are persecuted because of their faith.   
Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Reveal your will for your creation, mighty God. Renew waters, lands, and skies that are threatened by our carelessness. Teach us to honor and care for the works of your hands. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Move the hearts of all who participate in upcoming elections. Give courage, generosity, and vision to candidates and voters alike. Guide elected officials to answer the call of those who cry out for fair and just policies. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Soothe the pain of those who suffer *(especially…)*. Comfort those who mourn through the ministry of nurses, those who provide hospice care, visitation ministers, chaplains, and caregivers. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Seek the lost, those who hunger and thirst with questions of faith, and those absent from our worship today. Make us ready to receive newcomers you send to our congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We remember with thanksgiving the blessed saints whom you have received into your glory, especially Marge Everhart, Shirley Ramnanan, ….. Guide us with them to the springs of the water of life. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit. **Amen.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *A Story For All People (vs 2, 4)*

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

O God of justice and love,

we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and bring all the world to your feast.

For, 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.”

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit; in our gathering; within this meal;   
and among your people throughout the world;   
even as we pray in the words of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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 COMMUNION**

These are the gifts of God, for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

**COMMUNION**

*(The prayer after communion is read by the lay assistant)*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Holy and compassionate God,

in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous.

May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness,

that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world,

through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer

**Amen.**

**Blessing**God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being;  
Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead;  
Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church;   
Almighty God, Father, + Son, Holy Spirit,   
bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Song** *Let Streams of Living Justice (ELW 710)   
 (vs 1, 3)*

*(The dismissal is given by the lay assistant)***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the Good News.  
**Thanks be to God!**

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