

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

HYMNS: 332,350, 617ff, 338

LITURGY: 8am: p. 203, Divine Service, Setting Four (omit *Gloria*, p 204)
10:15am: p. 219, Matins (Sing the *Benedictus* instead of the *Te Deum*)

THE INTROIT *(Zechariah 9:9b; Psalm 25:1-3)*

Behold, your king is coming to you;

Righteous and having salvation.

To you, O Lord,

I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;

Let not my enemies exult over me.

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

They shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

(spoken) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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THE COLLECT

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING + Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? We have all become like one who is

unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL *(Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26)*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Behold, your king is coming to you;

Righteous and having salvation.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

From the house of the Lord we bless you..

THE EPISTLE READING + 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. .

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE ALLELUIA VERSE *(Psalm 24:7)*

Alleluia. Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,

That the King of glory may come in. Alleluia.

(In the Communion Liturgy, a *sung* response continues on p. 205.)

THE HOLY GOSPEL + Mark 11:1-10

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Greeters: 8am Gerald and Laurna Bulmahn

10:15am Ralph and Marcia Selking

Anthem: "Life Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

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