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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 8, 2019

Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** afterwards, or indicate such together **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' located in each pew.

The Order of Service without Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn – #63

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

+ Invocation – pg. 5

+ Confession of Sins and Pronouncement of Grace – pg. 5-6

+ INTROIT *Ps. 105:4–8; antiphon: Is. 40:3b*

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He is the LORD our God;

his judgments are in all the earth.

He remembers his covenant forever,

the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

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- + Gloria Patri – pg. 6ff
- + The Kyrie – pg. 7
- + The Gloria in Excelsis – pg. 7-9
- + The Salutation – pg. 9
- + The Collect for The Day

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ The Catechism Review – The Ten Commandments

What is The Ninth Commandment?

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

What is The Tenth Commandment?

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

+ The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

+ The Epistle: Romans 15:4-13

+ The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

+ The Apostles' Creed, pg. 12

+ Sermon Hymn – #328

"O Jesus, Lamb of God, Thou Art"

+ Sermon – "With the Holy Spirit and with Fire" Matthew 3:11-12

- I. Jesus is the One who baptized with the Holy Spirit.
- II. Jesus is the One who will baptize with fire.
- III. Therefore we must heed the Lord's call to produce fruit worthy of repentance.

+ The Offertory – pg. 12 (*stand*)

+ The Offering (*be seated*)

+ The Prayer of The Church

+ The Lord's Prayer – pg. 14

+ Hymn – #574

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

+ The Collect for The Word / The Church – pg. 14 (*stand*)

+ The Benediction – pg. 14

+Hymn - #70

“Hosanna to the Living Lord”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

December 8: Is. 24:14–25:12; 1 John 2:15–29; **9:** Is. 26:1–19; 1 John 3:1–24; **10:** Is. 26:20–27:13; 1 John 4:1–21; **11:** Is. 28:14–29; 1 John 5:1–21; **12:** Is. 29:1–14; Jude 1–25; **13:** Is. 29:15–30:14; Rev. 1:1–20; **14:** Is. 30:15–26; Rev. 2:1–29.

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