

COMMUNION

LBW p. 89

*Word's of Institution, *Lord's Prayer, Distribution

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

"Because He Lives"

*COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and abundant God, You have done great things for us, and we rejoice. In this bread and cup You give us life forever. In Your boundless mercy, strengthen us and open our hearts to the world's needs, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*SENDING HYMN

LBW # 55

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"



THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

*Welcome to
Worship at Bethel*

Sunday, December 13, 2020

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*"A Family in Christ;
Moved by His Spirit;
Sharing His Love."*

*: Please stand if you are able.
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)
WOV: With One Voice (blue)

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK "Go the Extra Mile" for the
Salvation Army

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: *SHEPHERDS' CANDLE*

NARRATION & RESPONSIVE READING

"Light One Candle"

*GATHERING HYMN LBW # 26
"Prepare the Royal Highway"

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS LBW p.77

*HYMN OF PRAISE
"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up the wills of Your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the words of Your prophets, that, anointed by Your Spirit, we may testify to Your light; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Pew Bible page 678
Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

PSALM Pew Bible page 561
Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with
shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us,
and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

SECOND LESSON Pew Bible page 1077
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

*GOSPEL VERSE WOV # 612
"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

*GOSPEL Pew Bible page 966
John 1:6-8, 19-28

SERMON HYMN LBW # 36
"On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry"

SERMON
Rev. Mark Kindem

*NICENE CREED LBW p. 84

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**