

**Advent 2C Psalm 81:8, 10–11, 13; antiphon: Luke 3:4b**

**P** The voice of one crying in the wilderness: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.”

**C** Hear, O my people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

**P** I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

**C** But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me.

**P** Oh, that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!

**C** 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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**CATECHISM**

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

Where is this written?

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**LEARN BY HEART**

*1 Peter 3:21*

Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

**COLLECT**

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.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Zeph 3:14-20; Phil 4:4-7; Luke 7:18-28 (29-35)

**INVOCATION**

**INTROIT** (front page)

**MEDITATION:** *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

**LEARN BY HEART:** Bible Verse (front page)

**DAILY READINGS:**

SU:	12/8	Isaiah 24:14—25:12 (Obadiah 1–21)	1 John 2:15–29
M:	12/9	Isaiah 26:1–19	1 John 3:1–24
T:	12/10	Isaiah 26:20—27:13	1 John 4:1–21
W:	12/11	Isaiah 28:14–29	1 John 5:1–21 (2 John; 3 John)
TH:	12/12	Isaiah 29:1–14	Jude 1:1–25
F:	12/13	Isaiah 29:15—30:14	Revelation 1:1–20
SA:	12/14	Isaiah 30:15–26	Revelation 2:1–29

**HYMN OF THE MONTH:** LSB #332 Savior of the Nations, Come

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- For the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and the Sacraments
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Scott
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Lucus

**COLLECT** (front page); **LORD’S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**P** Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

**C** Amen