

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 15, 2024

**Advent 3C Psalm 146:5–8; antiphon: Philippians 4:4****P** Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.**C** **Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,****P** who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;**C** **who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.****P** The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**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.****P** Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.**CATECHISM**

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

**LEARN BY HEART***Romans 6:4*

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

**COLLECT**

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Micah 5:2-5a; Heb 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 (46-56)

**INVOCATION****INTROIT** (front page)**MEDITATION:** *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism**LEARN BY HEART:** Bible Verse (front page)**DAILY READINGS:**

SU: 12/15 Isaiah 30:27—31:9 Revelation 3:1–22

M: 12/16 Isaiah 32:1–20 Revelation 4:1–11

T: 12/17 Isaiah 33:1–24 Revelation 5:1–14

W: 12/18 Isaiah 34:1–2, 8—35:10 (Micah 1:1—7:20) Revelation 6:1–17

TH: 12/19 Isaiah 40:1–17 Revelation 7:1–17

F: 12/20 Isaiah 40:18—41:10 Revelation 8:1–13

SA: 12/21 Isaiah 42:1–25 Revelation 9:1–12

**HYMN OF THE MONTH:** LSB #332 Savior of the Nations, Come**APOSTLES’ CREED****IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one’s calling and daily work; for the unemployed
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Loral, Albert, Grace
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** none

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

**P** Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

**C** Amen