

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.

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.

The Gospel Reading. 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!”

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**“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord!”**



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November 29, 2020

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Receiving the Lord's Supper at Holy Cross

Our Lord gives both directions and warnings in Scripture when it comes to the precious gift of Holy Communion, which we take great care to follow. A small brochure is available in the pew which describes the importance of the Biblical and historic practice known as "Closed Communion." If you are not under the spiritual care of Holy Cross, please speak with the pastor before communing so that our unity with Christ and with one another may be genuine. Our aim is not to insult, but to instruct and prepare those who earnestly desire to join our communion. So, if you or your children are not yet communicants, you may come forward for a blessing tied to baptism, and you are encouraged to signify this by crossing your arms over your chest as the pastor comes by. The Blood of Christ is offered either in individual glasses, or simply hold out your hand to take the chalice by the base as you drink from it.

Notes on the service: A new Church Year begins with the season of Advent. Last week, the Church calendar ended with Sunday of the Fulfillment. The end of the year culminates with the Church in eternity. The beginning of Advent takes us back to rehearse the entrance of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Here is Immanuel, true God in human flesh. He enters the capital, where the crowd expects Him to be enthroned as a continuation of the Davidic kingdom. They hoped He would overthrow the despised Romans; they had no idea that King Jesus came to reclaim His own and restore what was lost by sin. His enthronement takes place on the cross. Risen from the dead, ascended into heaven, He is returning in glory. Everyone will see Him as He really is.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Organist. Ginny Valleau
Communion Elders.(8:00 A.M.) Rich Rusche & Dave Senne
 (10:45 A.M.) Steve Hoffman & Randy Wilson
November Elders. Dave Senne & Randy Wilson

Psalm 25



Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*

righteous and having sal- | vation

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.

Divine Service continues with the Gloria Patri on page 186.

Note: Standing and Kneeling are optional

8:00 & 10:45 A.M.

Divine Service Setting Three LSB 184

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn—LSB #331

Confession and Absolution LSB 184

Service of the Word LSB 186

Introit - Psalm 25—(printed at left)

Gloria Patri - LSB 186

Kyrie - LSB 186 (*Gloria omitted during Advent*)

The Lessons: (printed on back)

The Nicene Creed - LSB 191

Hymn of the Day - LSB #332, stanzas 1-4

Sermon - "Simply—He Comes!"

Text: Mark 11:1-10

Offertory & Offering - LSB 192-193

Prayer of the Church - LSB 193

Service of the Sacrament LSB 194

Sanctus - LSB 195

Lord's Prayer - LSB 196 (Spoken)

Agnus Dei - LSB 198

Distribution - LSB 199

Hymns—LSB #623

LSB #353

LSB #672

Nunc Dimittis - LSB 199

Benedicamus & Benediction - LSB 201-202

Closing Hymn—LSB #332, stanzas 5-8