

# Service of Worship

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 17, 2021



We give thanks that you are worshipping with us today. Advent Lutheran Church is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We welcome you on your spiritual journey, be it for an hour or a lifetime! We are delighted that you have joined in this worshipping community and pray that you will be safe in these times. Whether you are in person or virtual, we would love for you to make yourself known to Advent by filling out a green contact/prayer card or by emailing the church or through Facebook. Everything you need for the worship service is printed in the bulletin.



## PRAYER CONCERNS

We keep the following persons in prayer



*Richard Ahlvin* (uncle of Anne Curtis)  
*Rev. Anna Anderson* (Pastor)  
*Ben Levisky and Bill Wentz* (cousins of Joy Duncan)  
*Lawrence Blackmore* (friend of the Lovells)  
*Sonja Blair* (cousin of Desiree Jessimy)  
*Sandra Bradley* (mother of Mark Duncan)  
*Warren Hageman* (member)  
*Ray Hawn* (member)  
*Jenny Jones* (friend of the Falksens)  
*Kathryn "Kate" Juhl* (member)  
*Mimi McNeel* (friend of Ellie Holsopple)  
*Janet Osborne* (friend of Ingrid Berdahl)  
*Ingrid Palmquist* (member)  
*Rev. Bill Perry* (friend of Advent)  
*Patti Peterson* (wife of Walter Peterson)  
*David Pellinen* (member)  
*Chick Picard* (Pastor Anna's brother-in-law)

*Michele Polestino* (friend of Carole Assante)  
*Hannah Reese* (friend of Sam & Anne Curtis)  
*Yvonne Ross* (friend of Nesta Alleyne)  
*Rev. Lowell Schuetze* (friend of Advent)  
*Jeannie Stevens* (aunt of Sam Curtis)  
*Linda and David Trismen* (parents of Eric Trismen, friend of Advent)  
*Jean Wetzel* (mother of Joy Duncan)  
*Arthur and Charles Wichern* (brothers of Carole Assante)  
*Becky Wilfinger* (friend of Marilyn Falksen)

### ***For those deployed to serve this country:***

*Delaunta Fitzgerald* (grandson of Chandra Fitzgerald)  
*Kevin Messer* (friend of Advent)  
*Charlie Nash* (son of Gordon & Susan Nash)  
*Dallas Polk* (grandson of Chandra Fitzgerald)

## GATHERING

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Congregation **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**

**so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

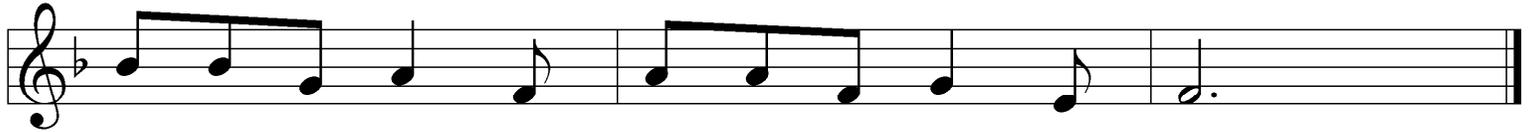
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

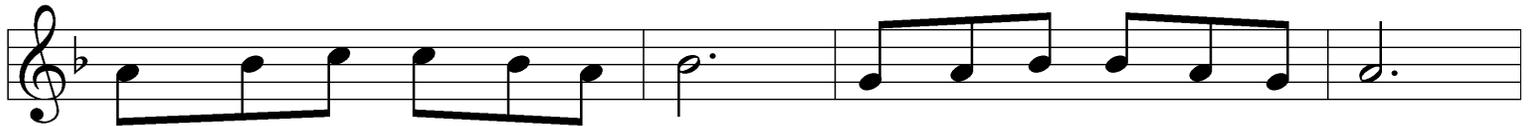
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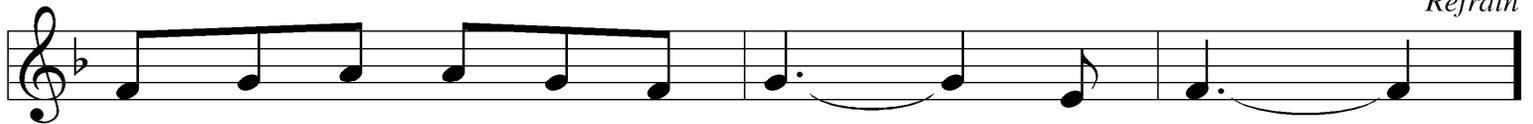
Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,  
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,  
 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;  
 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:



*Refrain*

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
 neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
 all these are neigh - bors to us and you.  
 this is the way we will live with you.

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**GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## Glory Be to God in Heaven

S 204:



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

Reader: A reading from Isaiah

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities  
and carried our diseases;  
yet we accounted him stricken,  
struck down by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions,  
crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,  
and by his bruises we are healed.

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have all turned to our own way,  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he did not open his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,  
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,  
so he did not open his mouth.

<sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away.  
Who could have imagined his future?  
For he was cut off from the land of the living,  
stricken for the transgression of my people.

<sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked  
and his tomb with the rich,  
although he had done no violence,  
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.  
When you make his life an offering for sin,  
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;  
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

<sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light;  
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.  
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,  
and he shall bear their iniquities.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,  
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;  
because he poured out himself to death,

and was numbered with the transgressors;  
yet he bore the sin of many,  
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

## C **Thanks be to God**

### **PSALM: Psalm 91:9-16**

*(Assisting minister reads light print; congregation reads bold.)*

<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the LORD your refuge,  
and the Most High your habitation,  
<sup>10</sup>**no evil will befall you,  
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**  
<sup>11</sup>For God will give the angels charge over you,  
to guard you in all your ways.  
<sup>12</sup>**Upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**  
<sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;  
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.  
<sup>14</sup>**I will deliver those who cling to me;  
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**  
<sup>15</sup>They will call me, and I will answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.  
<sup>16</sup>**With long life will I satisfy them,  
and show them my salvation.**

### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10**

Reader: A reading from Hebrews

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,  
"You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you";  
<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,  
"You are a priest forever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been

made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
C **Thanks be to God**

**THE GOSPEL HYMN**

**Jesus Remember Me**

**ELW 616**



Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.



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Text: Luke 23:42

Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the tenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord**

**GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45**

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

<sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers

lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

P The Gospel of the Lord  
 C Praise to you, O Christ

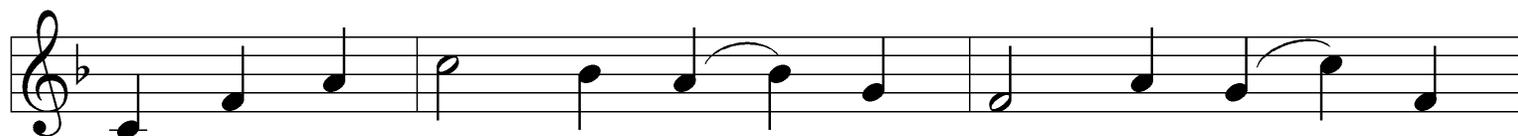
SERMON

Rev. Anna Anderson

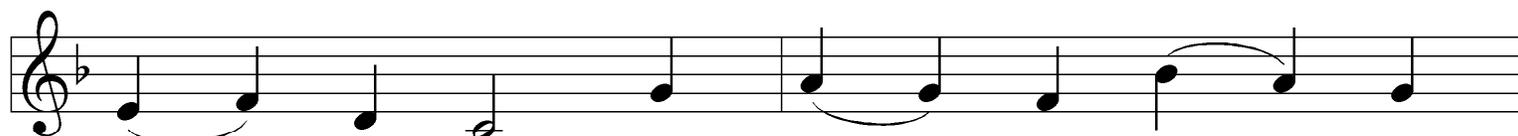
HYMN OF THE DAY

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

ELW 551



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
 joy like seed and, all our days, to  
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
 share a dream and help the blind to see.  
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
 pow - er'd us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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 Music: CHESTERFIELD, Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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## THE PRAYERS

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all God's creation.

*A brief silence. After each petition please respond: "Your will be done."*

A We pray to the Lord,

C **Your will be done**

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C **Amen**

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## MEAL

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## SHARING THE PEACE

A The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*We greet one another with a gesture of peace.*

## OFFERING

*Please stand as you are able*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C **O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P . . . now and forever..

C **Amen**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins*

*as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen*

## BLESSING FOR OUR INTERNET CONGREGATION

P If you are staying for Communion, please follow the instructions of the ushers. If you are leaving worship now, receive the blessing: May the Lord bless you and keep you, may God's face shine upon you and grant you peace.

C **Amen**

## DISMISSAL FOR DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*(All are welcome to receive. Wine and white grape juice are available by individual cup. If you do not commune, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You are invited to use hand sanitizer at any time. It is available as you enter the labyrinth and as you leave the Table.)*

*As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

## TRANSITIONAL MUSIC

### SENDING

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## BLESSING

A Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## We give thanks for those assisting with worship . . .

Pastor	Rev. Anna Anderson
Assisting Minister	Gerry Fuller
Communion Assistant	Esther Day
Altar Guild	Joy Duncan
Organist	Heidi Bessette
Videographer	Shane Gainer
Hospitality Team	Wendell Anderson, Shelley Bennett, Gerry Fuller, Eric Heigis, Christin Chung Kjelland and Kevin Letterly

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WINNERS! We focus on being at the top and being looked up to, but Jesus says his followers are servants, so we ask that “Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love ... to serve the neighbors ...” and we leave worship singing of how “The Spirit sends us forth to serve ... in Jesus’ name.”

### Missional Events Coming Up for YOU

- October 24 - *Pet Blessing* at 11 am on the outdoor labyrinth. Welcome our guests!
- October 24 - *Lutheran Campus Ministry Dinner*. Share a meal and discuss vocations with students at the University of Maryland, College Park, at 5 pm. You may bring salad or dessert to share, or just yourself. Email Gerry for directions.
- November 7 - *Farewell to Walt Peterson & Fellowship Brunch* following worship. Details to come.
- December 5 - *Decorate for Christmas and Celebrate Advent’s 70th Anniversary* following worship. Come to the party!

### Happenings around Advent

- October 17 - *Frolic* for littles class at 9:15 am
- October 17 - *Confirmation Class* at Holy Trinity at 3 pm
- November 1 - *Community Food Collection* in Advent parking lot begins. Details to come.
- November 7 - *All Saints Day*. Please email the office the name and relation to you of those you want remembered.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** A HUGE thank you to Shelley’s team and the ad hoc neighbors who helped with the packing and organized the truck to take 3/4 of the refugee collection to the intake center near Richmond.

# Fall Work Day

Saturday, October 23rd, is the big day! Come out at 9am to help us make our grounds beautiful! We will be spreading mulch, trimming a few shrubs and preparing the ground for some new plants. We will also will get good exercise, enjoy the fall weather and have some good old-fashioned fellowship! Contact Ingrid Berdahl if you have any questions.

## Planting a Native Garden at Advent

In an effort to be better stewards of God's creation, Advent is starting a native plant garden. The goal is to return at least a small part of our property to a more natural ecology that will encourage native birds, butterflies, and small animals. Native plants support local birds and butterflies, encourage a sustainable ecosystem, and do not require fertilizers or pesticides. We are starting small, in the area on the west edge of the property, next to the tool shed.



Photo from [www.plantnovanatives.org](http://www.plantnovanatives.org)

The first step will be to remove some invasive plants, ones that do not support the indigenous ecology. Next, the ground must be prepared, and some meandering borders set out. Then we'll plant (or transplant) a couple of native shrubs and a variety of wildflowers. Although we are starting small, we have already acquired over twenty native plants, as well as seeds for a half-dozen more.



Native plant gardens take a while to establish. Ingrid Berdahl and Gerry Fuller are heading this project and they welcome your help. We hope to use a part of Advent's Fall workday, October 23, to make a major step forward, but a successful start for the garden will require more than one day. If you are interested and able to help either before or after October 23 (like removing English Ivy or one of the large shrubs, cutting and bagging twigs and branches for collection, or clearing some of the area), talk to Ingrid or Gerry about what needs to be done. Also, let us know if you have native plants that you would like to donate.

Learn more about plants native to Northern Virginia at [www.plantnovanatives.org](http://www.plantnovanatives.org)

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