

Second Sunday in Advent
December 7, 2025



TONE CHIME CHOIR

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8–9

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 Almighty God in His mercy had given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN 342 – *What Hope! An Eden Prophesied*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Admonition to Parents

Preparation

Holy Gospel for Baptism

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LORD'S PRAYER

- C** 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.

APOSTLES' CREED

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Baptism

Presentation of White Garment and Baptismal Candle Welcome

- A** In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member
of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all
the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and
apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our
brother/sister in Christ, that together we might hear His
Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him
who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- C** Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

As the baptismal group moves to the altar, the congregation sings:

**John baptized those who came to him,
He preached throughout the land:
“Repent, and be baptized for sin.
The kingdom is at hand.”**

**O Lord, we bring to you this day,
This little one so mild.
Through water and the Word of grace
He has become your child.**

**As Christ has welcomed us, O Lord,
We welcome Hayden, too!
Together now, in one accord,
We give glory to You.**

Prayer

P ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Peace be with you.

C Amen.

HYMN 590 – Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Following each reading:

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1–10

Epistle Reading

Romans 15:4–13

Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:1–12

HYMN 347 – Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

SERMON

It Was a Dark and Stormy Night

Romans 15:4–13

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Following each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

OFFERING

TONE CHIME CHOIR

Silent Night

HYMN 956 – Create in Me

PREFACE

- 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 Him thanks and praise.**
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. We give You thanks and praise that You have counted us worthy to receive the precious gift of grace in His Meal, which He established by His own will and testament. **C** **Amen.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed...

PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** **Amen.**

HYMN 949 – *Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship*

DISTRIBUTION of the Lord's Supper

HYMN 346 – *When All the World Was Cursed*

HYMN 333 – *Once He Came in Blessing*

HYMN 344 – *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry*

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith that we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C **Amen.**

HYMN 359 – *Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming*