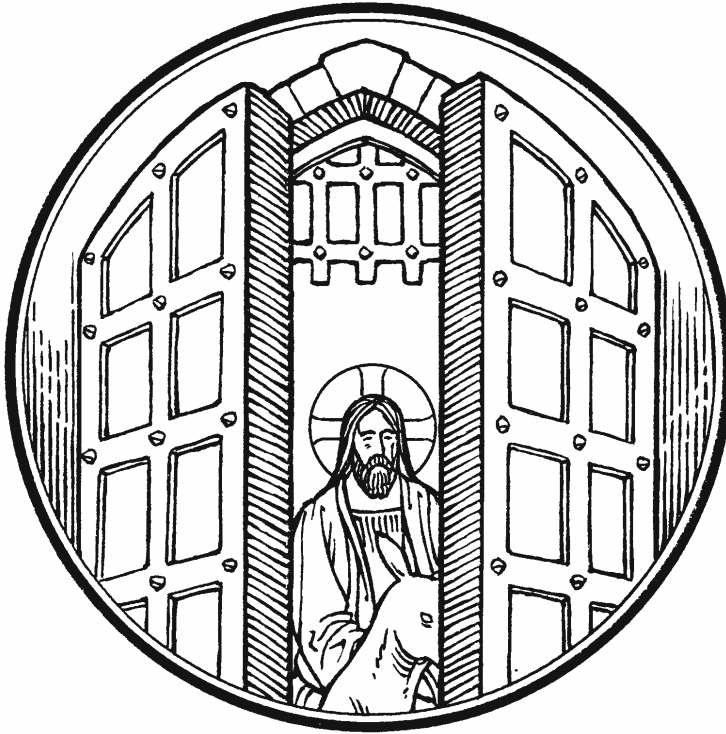


**DIVINE SERVICE FOR  
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**



**LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Lebanon Church, VA

November 29, 2020



# WELCOME

*Prelude followed by the bells.*

## God Himself is Present

*Entrance Hymn*



1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him  
2 God Him - self is pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing;  
3 Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it,



And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His  
See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
Trust - ing on - ly in Your mer - it. Like the ho - ly



tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in  
ho - ly!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and  
an - gels, Wor - ship - ing be - fore You, May I cease - less -



deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne  
an - gels blend - ing. Bow Your ear To us here:  
ly a - dore You. Let Your will Ev - er still



Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!  
Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es.  
Rule Your Church ter - res - trial As the hosts ce - les - tial.

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# PREPARATORY OFFICE

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Collect for Purity

- P** Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, 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.

## Exhortation

- 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.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that 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.**

## Declaration of Grace

- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
- C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### Apostolic 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.

### Kyrie

*sts. 1e-3e*



1 Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.      Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.  
2 Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.      Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.  
3 Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.      Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy.



Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - - - cy.  
Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - - - cy.  
Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - - - cy.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

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** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Jeremiah 23:5-8*

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Jeremiah, chapter 23.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

<sup>7</sup>“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ <sup>8</sup>but ‘As the LORD lives who brought

up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.' Then they shall dwell in their own land."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 24

<sup>1</sup>The earth is the LORD's and the full- | ness thereof,\*  
the world and those who | dwell therein,  
<sup>2</sup>for he has founded it up- | on the seas\*  
and established it upon the | rivers.

<sup>3</sup>Who shall ascend the hill | of the LORD?\*

And who shall stand in his | holy place?

<sup>4</sup>He who has clean hands and a | pure heart,\*  
who does not lift up his soul to what is false  
and does not swear de- | ceitfully.

<sup>5</sup>He will receive blessing | from the LORD\*  
and righteousness from the God of his sal- | vation.

<sup>6</sup>Such is the generation of those who | seek him,\*  
who seek the face of the God of | Jacob.

<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
And be lifted up, O | ancient doors,\*  
that the King of glory | may come in.

<sup>8</sup>Who is this King of | glory?\*

The LORD, strong and mighty,  
the LORD, mighty in | battle!

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
And lift them up, O | ancient doors,\*  
that the King of glory | may come in.

<sup>10</sup>Who is this King of | glory?\*

The LORD of hosts,  
he is the King of | glory!

## Epistle

*Romans 13:11–14*

**A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 13.


<sup>11</sup>Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 21:1-9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion,  
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Savior of the Nations, Come**

*Hymn of the Day*



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make  
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it  
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a  
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and  
 △ 8 Glo - ry to the Fa - ther sing, Glo - ry to the



here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,  
 of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—  
 vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:  
 king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,  
 Son, our king, Glo - ry to the Spir - it be



That the Lord chose such a birth.  
 Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
 God was there up - on His throne.  
 His he - ro - ic course be - gan.  
 Now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

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## Nicene Creed

**C** We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one, Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made  
man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

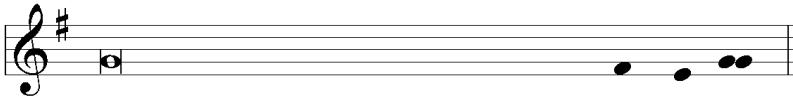
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken by the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church,  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins,  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayer of the Church

### The Lord's Prayer

### 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** A - men.

## Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

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*Sit*

## Congregational Announcements and Dismissal

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand

## Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

### Offertory Prayer

**P** Merciful Father,

**C** We offer with joy and thanksgiving, what you have first given us: our selves, our time, and our possessions – signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him Who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

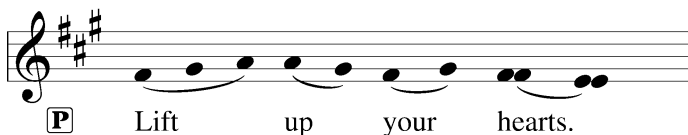
### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so 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.

## Proper Preface

### Sanctus

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Words of Our Lord

### The Lord's Prayer

*Sit*

### Distribution

*Stand*

### Blessing

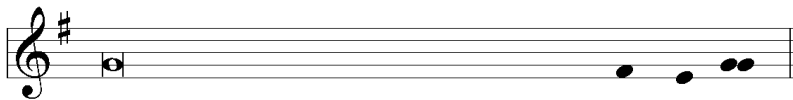
### Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Benediction



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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** A - men.

## Dismissal

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

George Beauchesne, Nadine Buckle, Bessie and Annie Clem, JD, Joy & Jacob Cutlip, Debbie Gochenour, Kelliann Harris, Howard McDonald, Andrea Oxsen, Ernie Pingley, Bill Rose, and all caregivers.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Zoom Meetings this week:**

Monday 10am – Occasional Services Class

Monday 7pm – Revelation Study

Thursday 7pm - CREDO

Contact Pastor Chris for more information.

**Pastor Chris will be available** on Wednesdays, 10:30am – 3pm for Communions. Please call for an appointment.

**Poinsettia Deadline was extended until today.** The price is \$12 for each single-branched Poinsettia in a 6 1/2" pot wrapped in green foil. Color choices are red, white, or pink. Plants will be delivered to the church. There is a signup sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.

**A Noisy Offering will be collected today.** Proceeds will benefit School Breakfasts for Kids. The donation can is on the table in the fellowship hall. Please give generously.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- ❖ Christmas Eve Service, December 24, 11 pm
- ❖ Christmas Day Service, December 25, 10am

## PARISH INFORMATION

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**This year, as the churches** have been forced by COVID to cancel the Ladies Christmas Brunch, everyone is encouraged (women and men alike) to donate items needed to help fill diaper bags for AbbaCare. The diaper bags have been funded by Thrivent. These items should be brought to the church on or before Sunday, December 6, and given to Brenda Rose, or placed in the tote in the fellowship hall.

In addition, you are invited to share your favorite cookie recipes. The recipes will be compiled into a booklet to share with everyone who contributes a recipe. Recipes may be emailed to Brenda at [rosesplumbinginc@gmail.com](mailto:rosesplumbinginc@gmail.com), or given to Brenda at church.



**Wish List from AbbaCare:**

**Formula (Similac Sensitive, Similac Advance)**

**Diapers (sizes newborn, 5 and 6)**

**Baby Shampoo, lotion and baby wash**

**Hooded towels and washcloths**

**Rattles and Toys**

**Winter clothes (Girls 6 and 12 months,  
Boys newborn to 6 months)**